

MT. VERNON CITY COUNCIL
Council Minutes
June 8, 2020

The regular meeting of the Mt. Vernon City Council was called to order at 7:00 pm by Mayor Weston Frank, with the following council members present: D. Anderson, B. Hohbach, D. Renken C. Powell and D. Maltsberger. D. London was absent. Also present: Maint. Officer G. Deinert, and Fin. Officer L. Mayclin. Present for public participation was: Jane and Emily Maltsberger, and Amber Neuheisel.

Pledge of Allegiance was recited to begin the meeting. All motions are unanimously approved unless otherwise stated. Motion by Maltsberger, second by Anderson to approve the agenda.

Amber Neuheisel was in attendance to discuss the ordinance for fences. After discussion, motion by Renken, second by Hohbach, to have the first reading, changing the height allowance to 6 foot (was previously 5 foot.) Council also decided to look at the ordinances closer to add something for a sight triangle at intersections.

Jane and Emily Maltsberger were there to participate in the discussion about chickens being allowed in the city limits. After a discussion of pros and cons, council determined that this might be a topic on which they would want public opinion. Frank will be doing a Facebook poll to try to determine the amount of interest in the community.

Motion by Maltsberger, second by Anderson to approve consent items for April: Financial Statement, Council Minutes, General Fund Balances, Credits Report/Bank Statement and Payment of Bills.

BILLS:

	General	Water	Deposits	City Tax	Sewer	Description
Weston Frank	170.85					wages
Dan London	60.03					wages
David Anderson	60.03					wages
Dave Renken	60.03					wages
Brett Hohbach	60.03					wages
Connor Powell	60.03					wages
Darin Maltsberger	60.03					wages
Ardis Overweg	527.10					wages
Gene Deinert	3,117.32	230.87				wages
Laura Mayclin	1,064.67					wages
Rylee Deinert	1,090.73					wages
MV School	75.00					rent
Davison Rural Water	6,061.25					water
SD Retirement	517.72					retire
Verizon	63.82					util
Santel	226.25				44.41	util
Northwestern Energy	907.35	123.51		27.42	188.96	util
Davison Co Sheriff	1,800.00					fees
Petrik	3,420.49					garb
SD State Treasurer (DOR)	205.52					sales tax
CorTrust	1,639.33	38.26				941
Menards	129.87					supplies
Westy's	253.37					gas
MVG&O	131.87					gas
Laura Mayclin	955.38	80.00			80.00	Equip/Supplies
Lyle Morgan	130.00					Maint
SD Dept of Labor	25.29					supplies
SDDENR		140.00				Report
SD DOH		15.00				Lab
Northern Tool					372.74	pump

J&W Marketing	160.00		mgmt
Bierschbach	6,500.00		Repairs
Runnings	337.46		Repairs
Hohbach Electric	611.27	677.59	Electric
Scott Supply	335.81		Refund
Central States	1,378.08		Maint
Mitchell Iron & Supply	19.20		Maint
CarQuest	47.44		supplies
Max Mohr	450.00		Mowing
Gene Deinert	20.51		Maint
Dakota Pump	4,574.21		Equip

OLD BUSINESS

1. The museum plans to have an Open House during the weekend of the Mt. Vernon Summer Classic. There are still some events coming to The Hall, including a baby shower. The museum has bats in the attic, and Renken and Hohbach will be working to fix the problem.
2. Motion by Renken, second by Hohbach to resolve to transfer ownership of property for N. Cotton Street from Mt. Vernon Economic Development Group to the City. Anderson abstained from vote.
3. Covid-19 Update: Cases in Davison County have risen by 30%, but they are still down in South Dakota overall. The amateurs are using the ball field, and are responsible for cleaning the bathroom each time the field is used. There have been some issues with the cleaning, and council decided if there are any more issues, they will just plan to shut it down.
4. Citywide Cleanup is Saturday June 13, 2020, beginning at 8 a.m. City sign will note this event.
5. Motion by Anderson, second by Powell to accept first reading of new Sump Pump Ordinance.

NEW BUSINESS

1. Deinert report: Smoke testing will be in a couple of weeks. Deinert will be passing out flyers. City Sign will indicate this event. The lights at the ballpark need to be updated. Deinert and Hohbach will do improvements as the budget allows. The total cost will be between \$2,000 and \$3,000.
2. Mayclin report: Since debit cards are not allowed for city business, we need to get a credit card for occasional purchases. Council agreed the city should have a credit card. The Spirit of Dakota is looking for nominees, and Frank took the information to submit to organization. We did not receive a bill from the Daily Republic this month, although Mayclin sent an email request for same five days before council meeting. Council says it will just have to be paid in next month's bills, as it has to be approved by council at the meetings. The drinking water report will be sent out with the bills at month-end. Motion by Anderson, second by Renken to continue agreement with District III.
3. Mt. Vernon Area Football has changed, and is only Mt. Vernon and Plankinton now. Council decided to continue with this year's contribution to the organization as previously approved.
4. According to Anderson's discussion with the Daily Republic, rates have changed, now that they are no longer a daily paper.
5. In London's absence, the Code Enforcement discussion was tabled until next month. However, council noted that Roth's place was sold to Mike Kluth.
6. Hohbach reported the cost of the current project on Main St. is \$3,000 - \$5,000. Anderson has begun grant work again for the large project.
7. No executive session was necessary.

Motion by Anderson, second by Powell to adjourn at 9:33 p.m.

Weston Frank
Mayor

Laura Mayclin
Finance Officer

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