

MT. VERNON CITY COUNCIL
Council Minutes
April 10, 2017

The regular meeting of the Mt. Vernon City Council was called to order at 7:00 pm by Mayor T Koch with the following council members present: K. Martish, D. Renken, D. Anderson, D. London, C. Deinert and W. Frank. Also present: Finance Officer B. McPeek, and Maint. G. Deinert, Darin Maltsberger, Jay Tollefson, Father Bob, Sue Steele, and JP Studeny.

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited to begin the meeting. All motions are unanimous unless otherwise stated.

Motion by Frank, second by Renken to approve the agenda.

Motion by Anderson, second by London to approve the March financial statement.

Motion by Renken, second by Martish to approve the minutes of the March 6, 2017

Motion by Anderson, second by London to approve the March General Fund Balances

Motion by London, second by Anderson to approve the payment of the following bills:

MARCH bills	General	Water	Garbage	City Tax	Sewer	Debt	Description
Tom Koch	170.85						Mar wages
Dan London	60.03						Mar wages
Ken Martish	60.03						Mar wages
David Anderson	60.03						Mar wages
Dave Renken	60.03						Mar wages
Courtney Deinert	60.03						Mar wages
Weston Frank	60.03						Mar wages
Ardis Overweg	474.40						Mar wages
Gene Deinert	2677.40	230.87					Mar wages
Brenda McPeek	797.71						Mar wages
MV School	75.00						rent
Davison Rural Water		4385.60					water
SD Retirement	473.78						retire
Verizon	63.36						util
Santel	160.02				44.22		util
Northwestern Energy	910.07	218.03		55.37	143.35		util
Petrik			2567.50				garb
Daily Republic	437.34						publ
Dept of Revenue			182.73				sales tax
CorTrust	1497.16	38.26					941
Menards	779.50						supplies
SD Dept of Health		15.00					lab fees
Westy's	211.29						gas
SD One Call	2.24						locates
Morgan Theeler	260.93						legal
SDWWA					70.00		dues
SD unempl	49.12						1st qtr
IRS	8.74						1st qtr
1st National Bank					16346.28		project
Brown & Saenger	36.95						supplies
National Geographic	39.00						books
Taste of Home	29.98						books
Ardis Overweg	162.77						books
USTI		338.13	338.13		338.14		fees
CorTrust	5.00						box rent

Petty Cash	25.00	supplies
Mitchell Iron & Supply	20.88	repairs
Campbell Supply	94.27	supplies
Guideposts	27.97	books
CarQuest	74.94	supplies
SD Federal Property	107.00	supplies
Derek DeVries	210.00	repairs
Bender's	516.00	repairs
Morris Equipment	182.74	repairs
One Call	10.08	locates

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION:
OLD BUSINESS

1. Purchase of Catholic Church was discussed, motion by Anderson, second by Renken to have Mayor Koch sign the following Resolution: WHEREAS the City of Mount Vernon, South Dakota and Saint John Parish of Aurora County have reached an agreement on the terms and conditions of purchase of: Lots One (1), Two (2), and Lot Three, less the West 17.25 feet thereof (3, less the West 17.25 feet), T.B. Haynes Addition to the City of Mt. Vernon, Davison County, South Dakota, together with the Church and Fellowship Hall building. NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF MOUNT VERNON, SOUTH DAKOTA, AS FOLLOWS: RESOLVED, that we do hereby approve the purchase agreement in the form attached to this Resolution and do hereby authorize the Mayor to enter into the Offer on behalf of the City. BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Mayor is hereby authorized and directed to execute all appropriate agreements, documents and contracts necessary to complete the purchase of the property. The purchase agreement was signed and will be finalized on May 15, the city has paid \$1 for the property and the Church has agreed to pay \$3000 for any work on HVAC that is needed.
2. Frank has talked to SPN and it will be fine to work on the project with the grant money in 2018. The group still needs to meet and work on the final plans, this will be done when a meeting can be set up with SPN. We were also told that if there is significant changes to the plan, we can apply for more grant money. Also was suggested that we retest the gravel to be sure that it passes federal grade.
3. Mt. Vernon Economic Development group has placed the two new houses and are working on cleaning up the 3rd property they own. They are currently working on purchasing a 4th property. The group will be meeting with District III to find grants to place sewer and water in areas of undeveloped property. Anderson attended a District III meeting in April and learned about some Federal grants possibilities for city infrastructure. The City needs to come up with a 5 year plan that would include detailed improvements that are needed.
4. Nuisance properties were addressed at the meeting. Letters will be sent out next week. The council wants to remind patrons that tires, unlicensed vehicles, junked vehicles are not to be stored on your property. If you have wood piles, they should be neatly stacked away from contact with buildings. The council asks that patrons spruce up their property now that spring is upon us.
5. The council had 2 people interested in the vacant Ward III council seat. They are Darin Maltsberger and Jay Tollefson. The position will be decided at the May meeting.
6. Motion by Martish, second by Deinert to approve the closure of Wallace Street between 2nd and 3rd Street on the afternoon of May 12th and all day May 13.

NEW BUSINESS

1. Gene Deinert: will be at a conference in Chamberlain on April 12 & 13. Will be at conference in Pierre on April 19 and 20.
2. Baseball Association was represented by D London. Inquired if Gene could check on locks on some of the bathroom doors, not working right. They are purchasing a new water heater and Gene will install. Council will give them a check at the May meeting. Youth football and Senior Center checks will also be written at that time.
3. Anderson will apply for a West Nile prevention grant that is due before June 1.
4. The city set the date of the City wide cleanup on June 3. There will be dumpsters located at the city shop for residents to bring their garbage. There will not be curb service for this unless you are unable to bring it to the shop. The cleanup will be from 8-12 on June 3. There will be a city-wide rummage sale on the evening of

June 2 and June 3. If anyone is interested in taking part in the rummage sale, please contact the city office at 236-5207 or at mtvernoncity@santel.net.

5. The city website will be discussed at the May meeting. Deinert is looking into options for a more user friendly web builder and will bring information to the meeting.

Motion by Martish, second by London to adjourn at 8:30.

Tom Koch
Mayor

Brenda McPeck
Finance Officer

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