

**MT. VERNON CITY COUNCIL**

**Council Minutes**

**February 12, 2018**

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: D. Renken, D. Maltzberger, C. Deinert, D. Anderson, D. London and W. Frank. Also present: Fin. Officer L. Mayclin, Maint. G. Deinert.

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

Motion by Renken second by Maltzberger to approve the agenda.

Motion by Maltzberger, second by London to approve the January financial statement.

Motion by Anderson, second by Frank to approve the minutes of the January 10, 2017 meeting.

Motion by Anderson, second by Renken to approve the January General Fund Balances

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

	<b>January bills</b>	<b>General</b>	<b>Water</b>	<b>Garbage</b>	<b>City Tax</b>	<b>Sewer</b>	<b>Debt</b>	<b>Description</b>
Tom Koch		170.85						Jan wages
Dan London		60.03						Jan wages
David Anderson		60.03						Jan wages
Dave Renken		60.03						Jan wages
Courtney Deinert		60.03						Jan wages
Weston Frank		60.03						Jan wages
Darin Maltzberger		60.03						Jan wages
Ardis Overweg		489.78						Jan wages
Gene Deinert		3,010.57						Jan wages
Laura Mayclin		1,078.83						Jan wages
MV School		75.00						rent, equip
Davison Rural Water			5,254.80					water
SD Retirement		488.00						retire
Verizon		63.66						util
Santel		173.31	44.49					util
Northwestern Energy		1,170.20	350.82		614.92	178.65		util
Petrik				2,629.30				garb
Daily Republic		198.66						publ
Dept of Revenue		188.94						sales tax
CorTrust		1,486.37	38.25					941
Menards		22.97			41.85			supplies
Westy's		523.58						gas
Post Office		56.00						rent
Ardis Overweg		221.16						books
SD DENR			6.00					Water Cert
Morgan Theeler		35.93						Legal
Dakota Pump						399.57		Repairs
SD One Call		4.48						Locates
Chucks Paint & Blinds					75.46			supplies
CarQuest		124.26						Repairs
Wheelco		14.24						Repairs
Campbell Supply		31.96						supplies
SD Federal Property Agency		41.25						supplies

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION – Bob Ball of H&L Salvage addressed the council, stating his interest in bidding for the

trash contract this spring. The City will advertise for bids in May 2018.

OLD BUSINESS

1. Council discussed the The Hall. Two upcoming rentals were confirmed.
2. Weston gave update for West Railroad project and will have more at the March meeting.
3. Mt. Vernon Economic Development group has another house ordered.
4. The issue of nuisance properties was addressed.
5. The City Website contains ordinances, council minutes, etc. that residents may find useful.
6. Motion by Anderson, second by C. Deinert to accept the second reading of the following amendment and new ordinance. WHEREAS, the City Council of Mt. Vernon, South Dakota deems it necessary to amend the Mt. Vernon Ordinance TITLE I – ADMINISTRATION, CHAPTER 1 DEFINITIONS Section entitled Deteriorating Influence on Neighborhood. NOW THEREFORE BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF MT. VERNON, TO BE AMENDED AS FOLLOWS: Any accumulation of furniture, appliances, junk, car parts, wood, debris, objects or materials that has a blighting or deteriorating influence on the neighborhood. Junk Cars on Private Property: A vehicle shall be declared a nuisance on private property when the vehicle is junked, wrecked, partially dismantled, inoperative, and or unlicensed. This shall not apply to vehicles under repair for a period of not more than 72 hours or those completely enclosed in a garage or building for purposes of storage. Empty or Vacant Buildings: Empty or vacant buildings which have doors, windows or openings that allow entrance of vermin or invite vandalism or create a health or safety hazard. The City Council or the Council’s duly authorized representative shall give written notice to any person creating, permitting or maintaining any nuisance as defined in this Chapter, to abate such nuisance forthwith. Said notice shall be by certified mail. That is such person shall neglect or refuse to do so within thirty (30) days after such notice, he shall be deemed guilty of a violation of this Chapter. That each day said person is in violation of this Chapter shall be deemed a new violation. That each violation, said person shall be subject to a fine of \$25.00 for each of said violation.

WHEREAS, the City Council of the City of Mt. Vernon, South Dakota deems it necessary to adopt the Mt. Vernon City Ordinance regarding sale and storage of vehicles.

WHEREAS, it is in the interest of the City of Mt. Vernon to adopt this Chapter 8 – Sale and Storage of Vehicles. NOW THEREFORE BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF MT. VERNON, AS FOLLOWS: TITLE VI – OFFENSES, CHAPTER 8 SALE AND STORAGE OF VEHICLES

Section 6.8.1 Storage of wrecked, junked or discarded vehicle

It shall be unlawful for any person in charge or in control of any property within the City of Mount Vernon to allow any partially dismantled, non-operating, wrecked, junked or discarded vehicle, including any part thereof or therefrom, to remain on any private property for any period longer than seventy-two (72) hours unless within an enclosed building.

Section 6.8.2 Sale of Vehicles

Only two vehicles shall be permitted for sale at a time per parcel. The sale of vehicles on vacant parcels is prohibited.

Section 6.8.3 Exceptions

The provisions of this ordinance shall not apply to non-operating vehicles displayed for ornamental purposes, to those properties for which a license has been issued by the state for operation of a new or used vehicle sales establishment or for which a conditional use permit has been granted by the City of Mount Vernon.

Section 6.8.4 Enforcement

The Davison County Sheriff’s Department shall be the appropriate persons to enforce this ordinance.

Section 6.8.5 Penalties

Any person who is convicted of violating this ordinance shall be guilty of a civil infraction and shall pay a fine of;

First Offense - Warning,

Second Offense - \$100 plus the costs of prosecution,

Third or More Continuing Violations - \$250 plus the costs of prosecution.

Each day that a violation exists shall constitute a separate offense.

NEW BUSINESS

1. G. Deinert reported that we will not need bids for chip sealing this year.
2. Courtney Deinert reports that she is seeking the CorTrust Bank ALM Community Foundation Grant for help with funding repairs and chairs at The Hall.
3. Dave Anderson gave updates on house bills, District III Planning meeting, and rental properties.
4. Council members discussed several water customers that have old balances and need to be dealt with. They also discussed amending late fees.
5. Council discussed snow plowing and thanked G. Deinert for his diligence in getting the streets cleared.

Motion by Renken, second by London to adjourn at 9:08 p.m.

Tom Koch  
Mayor

Laura Mayclin  
Finance Officer

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