

MT. VERNON CITY COUNCIL
Council Minutes
January 9, 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. London, D. Renken, D. Anderson, W. Frank and C. Deinert. Also present:, Jeff McCormick of SPN, Finance Officer B. McPeek, and Maint. G. Deinert.

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

Motion by Deinert, second by London to approve the agenda.

Motion by Anderson, second by Renken to approve the December financial statement.

Motion by Anderson, second by Deinert to approve the minutes of the December 12, 2016

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

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

Tom Koch	170.85				Dec wages	
Dan London	60.03				Dec wages	
Ken Martish	60.03				Dec wages	
David Anderson	60.03				Dec wages	
Dave Renken	60.03				Dec wages	
Courtney Deinert	60.03				Dec wages	
Weston Frank	60.03				Dec wages	
Ardis Overweg	464.46				Dec wages	
Gene Deinert	2715.54				Dec wages	
Brenda McPeek	763.86				Dec wages	
Robert Koepke		428.83			Dec wages	
MV School	150.00				rent	
Dav Rural Water		4641.20			water	
SD Retirement	426.72				retire	
Verizon	63.43				util	
Santel	95.75			53.93	util	
Northwestern Energy	1118.54	289.81		60.21	146.38	util
Petrik			2567.50			garb
Daily Republic	167.52					publ
Dept of Revenue			180.88			sales tax
CorTrust	1374.50	104.94				941
Menards	67.66					supplies
SD Dept of Health		15.00				lab fees
MV Gas & Oil	204.75					gas
Westy's	19.01					gas
DOT	1064.00					supplies
Postmaster		68.00	68.00		68.00	postage
Petty Cash	6.00	11.33	11.33		11.34	postage
SD DENR					450.00	dues
Reader's Den	63.13					books
Sat Evening Post	15.00					books
Allrecipes	12.00					books
Ardis Overweg	156.20					books
CDW-G	115.00					supplies
Campbell Supply	37.47					supplies
A-Ox Welding	520.95					supplies
Firesteel Services	300.12					repairs

SD Fed Property	94.00	supplies
Mustang Welding	37.15	repairs
District III Planning	753.00	dues
Morgan Theeler	113.19	legal
Firesteel Services	54.24	repairs
A&G Diesel	593.60	repairs
Dave Anderson	174.99	equipment

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION: None.

OLD BUSINESS

1. Anderson gave update on grants, Jeff McCormick of SPN discussed what will be involved with the Community Access grant for improvement of Railroad Street. City is waiting for the award letter from DOT. More discussion will be held in February.
2. Mt. Vernon Economic Development group has been making progress. First house is almost done, clean up on others is being done.
3. Nuisance properties. The council is continuing its quest to clean up the nuisance properties in the city. The Council has sent nuisance letters to some residents, the timeline for cleaning this up is January 31 and February 15. Those people will be contacted to see what progress has been made.
4. Catholic Church, Council is waiting to hear from the Diocese. Received estimates on fixing or replacing heating/cooling system.
5. District III project list, Council will work with them to find grants for insulation and heating of the city shed, infrastructure of new lots, speed signs
6. Motion by Martish, second by Anderson to accept with regret the resignation of Robert Koepke as Water Superintendent. The Council and City thank Bob for his many years of service to the community.

NEW BUSINESS

1. Gene Deinert: with winter here, patrons are reminded not to leave garbage cans and cars in the right away when it starts snowing. We are unable to plow next to the curb if there are things parked there.
2. Motion by Frank, second by Anderson for Wermer's Lounge to be open on Sunday February 5 for a Super Bowl Party.
3. Motion by Deinert, second by Anderson to approve the following; Finance Officer, B. McPeek; Bank, CorTrust; Newspaper, The Daily Republic and City Attorney, Tim Bottom of Morgan-Theeler.
4. Motion by Frank, second by Deinert to approve 2017 salary for G Deinert of \$47,378, this will include duties of the Water Department. Motion by Anderson, second by Deinert to approve the 2017 salary for B. McPeek, of \$11,330 for Finance Officer. Motion by London, second by Renken to approve salary of \$6,580 for Ardis Overweg for Library. Motion by Anderson, second by London to hire summer help at \$9 per hour. Motion by Renken, second by Frank to pay election workers \$100 a day.
5. The date for Joint Election with school is April 11, 2017.
6. Up for re-election this year are Ward I, Dan London, Ward III, Ken Martish and Weston Frank. Petitions may be picked up at the office after January 27. Petitions can be picked up on Monday or Thursday of each week. Questions, call the city office at 236-5207

Motion by Deinert, second by Renken to adjourn at 8:54.

Tom Koch
Mayor

Brenda McPeek
Finance Officer

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