

MT. VERNON CITY COUNCIL
Council Minutes
March 11, 2019

The regular meeting of the Mt. Vernon City Council was called to order at 7:00 pm by Mayor Tom Koch, with the following council members present: W. Frank, D. Anderson, B. Hohbach, D. Renken and D. Maltsberger, and D. London being absent. Also present: Maint. Officer Gene Deinert, Fin. Officer L. Mayclin and Connor Powell for public participation.

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

Connor Powell attended the council meeting to discuss some areas of concern. He wondered about the policy for plowing alleyways and mentioned a large hole in the alley as well. Council noted that we do not plow alleyways as a general rule. They did tell Mr. Powell if he has a specific problem with his alley, he could contact Deinert directly to see if we could help. Mr. Powell also wanted us to mention that his house is not for sale, as he has been receiving calls about it recently. Council believes people are confusing his property with a property at 210 E. 1st Street. Also to note, the property at 210 E. 1st Street, has no sewer line, so it is uninhabitable at present.

Motion by Anderson, second by Frank to remove February Council Minutes from consent items. Motion by Renken, second by Hohbach to approve corrected February Council Minutes, changing amount paid to D. London to \$160.03, including amount for snow removal.

Motion by Anderson, second by Frank to approve consent items for February: Financial Statement, General Fund Balances, Credits Report/Bank Statement, and payment of the following bills.

	General	Water	Garbage	City Tax	Sewer	Debt	Description
Tom Koch	170.85						Feb wages
Dan London	60.03						Feb wages
Darin Maltsberger	60.03						Feb wages
David Anderson	60.03						Feb wages
Dave Renken	60.03						Feb wages
Brett Hohbach	60.03						Feb wages
Weston Frank	60.03						Feb wages
Ardis Overweg	510.98						Feb wages
Gene Deinert	2,920.69	230.87					Feb wages
Laura Mayclin	923.76						Feb wages
MV School	75.00						rent
Davison Rural Water		5,588.75					water
SD Retirement	502.66						retire
Verizon	63.74						util
Santel	151.58			85.50	44.68		util
Northwestern Energy	993.74	398.53		611.10	190.31		util
Petrik			2,649.30				garb
Daily Republic	136.39						publ
Dept of Revenue			187.49				sales tax
CorTrust	1,468.40	38.26					941
Menards	258.56						supplies
SD Dept of Health		30.00					lab fees
MVG&O	466.31						gas
Dav Cty Sheriff	1,800.00						fees
Morgan Theeler	937.20						legal
Ardis Overweg	224.84						books
CarQuest	177.95						supplies
Westy's	152.25						gas

Mitchell Iron & Supply	36.72	Repair
SDWWA	62.00	Seminar
Ramkota Hotel	123.92	Seminar
Gene Deinert	63.71	Seminar
SD Fed Property Agency	161.00	supplies
Julie Earl	125.00	Maint
Amazon	23.74	supplies

OLD BUSINESS

1. The Hall is becoming busier with baby showers, birthday parties, and graduations. The city appreciates a recent donation from The Elevator for use of The Hall.
2. Railroad Street update will be tabled until next month.
3. Garages are up on the new Mt. Vernon Economic Development houses, one of which is still available for purchasing.
4. Planning and zoning will be updated next month.
5. Anderson has been working with Bottum and will send paperwork to Horn this week so the city can continue with the demolition process of the Old Café. Frank will meet with the Legion members this week to finalize with them before demolition of building.
6. Hohbach followed up with concerned citizen re: Smart Meters. No further action is necessary at this time.
7. Speed limit digital boards will be tabled until next fall.

NEW BUSINESS

1. Frank discussed clearing snow around fire hydrants, and wishes to remind people to please keep these area free of snow to allow fire department to easily access it in case of emergency. Some people find that using a snow blower works effectively to clear it. Mayclin will be sending reminder in the fall.
2. Mayclin requested that she start sending council packets electronically, instead of hand-delivering hard copies. Council approved.
3. Information on Emerald Ash Borer was discussed, and no action is necessary at this time.
4. Mayor Koch signed document for Santel buried fiber optic cable upgrade.
5. Deinert will be attending the Davison Rural Water Annual Meeting March 13.
6. Paint South Dakota deadline is in April, so council members were asked to consider possible candidates.
7. Motion by Frank, second by Renken to appoint Anderson as representative for the Davison County Equalization Board.
8. Mayor Koch submitted his official resignation to council. Council wished him well with a plaque, certificate of appreciation, and gift certificate to Wermers. He will be missed. Motion by Renken, second by Hohbach to appoint Frank as acting Mayor until the term is up in May 2020. Frank's position as President of the council will be filled by the current Vice President, Hohbach. Motion by Maltzberger, second by Hohbach to appoint Anderson as Vice President of the council.

Motion by Hohbach, second by Anderson to adjourn meeting at 8:25.

Weston Frank
Mayor

Laura Mayclin
Finance Officer

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