

MT. VERNON CITY COUNCIL

Council Minutes

May 7, 2018

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: D. Anderson, D. London and D. Maltsberger, D. Renken, C. Deinert, and W. Frank. Also present: Fin. Officer L. Mayclin, Maint. G. Deinert, incoming Councilperson Brett Hohbach, and Don Williams.

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

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

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

Motion by London, second by Frank to approve the minutes of the April 2018 meeting.

Motion by Maltsberger, second by Anderson to approve the April General Fund Balances.

Motion by Renken, second by Anderson to approve April credits report.

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

	<u>General</u>	<u>Water</u>	<u>Garbage</u>	<u>City Tax</u>	<u>Sewer</u>	<u>Debt</u>	Description
Tom Koch	170.85						Apr wages
Dan London	60.03						Apr wages
Darin Maltsberger	60.03						Apr wages
David Anderson	60.03						Apr wages
Dave Renken	60.03						Apr wages
Courtney Deinert	60.03						Apr wages
Weston Frank	60.03						Apr wages
Ardis Overweg	495.78						Apr wages
Gene Deinert	2,791.69	230.88					Apr wages
Laura Mayclin	1,051.66						Apr wages
MV School	75.00						rent, books
Davison Rural Water		5,069.15					water
SD Retirement	488.00						retire
Verizon	63.58						util
Santel	169.79				44.35		util
Northwestern Energy	965.59	270.01		332.77	189.02		util
Petrik			2,649.30				garb
Daily Republic	191.24						publ
Dept of Revenue			189.51				sales tax
CorTrust	1,450.26	38.26					941
Bender's					416.00		repairs
SD One Call	2.24						Locates
SD Gov Fin. Offc Assoc	40.00						Dues
Menards	402.37						supplies
SD Dept of Health		15.00					lab fees
MVG&O	656.52						gas
Morgan Theeler	391.39						legal fees
MV Youth Football	1,000.00						donation
MV Baseball Assoc	1,000.00						donation
Senior Citizens	1,000.00						donation
Westy's	178.02						gas
Scott Supply	519.30						repairs
Ardis Overweg	250.02						books
Derek DeVries	60.00						Maint

Jeff Munger	60.00	Maint
Van Diest Supply Co	2,055.80	Maint
Brown & Saenger	11.91	Supplies
Central States Lab	436.64	Maint
Campbell Supply	154.48	Maint
Meyers Oil	65.20	Maint
CarQuest	91.30	Maint
Wheelco	16.74	Maint

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION – Don Williams brought concerns about the creek in town, noting he sees kids playing in it, and worries about their safety and if there is a way to block it off somehow. The Council is looking into all possibilities, including signage. Council is turning this matter over to their attorney for further review.

OLD BUSINESS

1. Management for The Hall is now with Weston Frank. He will be advertising it to try to get more regular patronage and have the same contract as Bree Deinert had previously.
2. Frank advised council that he is awaiting a call at this time for more updates, noting that truck traffic has been causing street problems in the area, since it has been so wet. The council is considering a sign that trucks should not turn around on Main St.
3. Mt. Vernon Economic Development group has three new properties in the works and has requested some assistance from the City. Anderson will be speaking at an Energy Conference in De Smet this week.
4. We continue to work on follow-up letters to several property owners re: nuisance properties.
5. Verizon will be conducting a walk-through of the site in Mount Vernon, where they are possibly interested in placing a 125-foot tower. The site is on school property, to the west of the football field at the north end of the tree belt. The site walk is scheduled for Wednesday, May 16 at 2:15 p.m.
6. Motion by Maltsberger, second by London to approve the second reading of the following amendment:
WHEREAS, the City Council of Mt. Vernon, South Dakota deems it necessary to amend the Mt. Vernon Ordinance TITLE IV – MUNICIPAL UTILITIES AND SERVICES Section 4.1.13 Entitled Delinquent Water Accounts. NOW THEREFORE BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF MT. VERNON, TO BE AMENDED AS FOLLOWS: Payment on all water accounts is due by the 15th of the month following the date of billing. Payments received after the 15th shall be considered late and assessed a late fee, the amount of which shall be fixed by resolution of the governing body. Late payment on past due accounts shall be received by the last day of such month or the service may be disconnected. The customer shall be notified by regular mail of the disconnection seven (7) days in advance. If the customer is a tenant who is not the owner, notice of the disconnection may also be provided to the owner of the real property by regular mail. To avoid disconnection, the past due amount must be paid in full prior to the disconnection. Customers or property owners shall be charged a minimum of one hundred dollars (\$100) for hookup to renew service after disconnection. (amended May 2018) Motion by Anderson, second by London to set the late fee at 10% of outstanding balance due.
7. Council reports that they will follow South Dakota law in all areas pertaining to conflict of interest.
8. The issue of building permits has been tabled until the June meeting, while gathering more information.

NEW BUSINESS

1. C. Deinert updated council that we received a \$1,000 ALM grant to go toward more chairs for The Hall.
2. Hohbach, Renken and Maltsberger took the Oath of Office for elected officials and were seated as council members.
3. Election of Officers: W. Frank President, B. Hohbach Vice President.
4. The following are named chairman of each division: Streets, The Hall, Website, Frank; Water, Anderson; Lights & Electricity, London; Park, Hohbach; Garbage, Maltsberger, Sewer, Renken.
5. G. Deinert announced Austin Reimnitz will be providing summer help. Mosquito fogger has been certified for 2018. We will be getting a new contract for our tractor lease. Special thanks to Jeff Munger and Derek DeVries for helping during blizzard. G. Deinert will be advising the council committee chairmen of more details on how to respond in case of emergency while he is away.
6. Motion by Frank, second by Anderson to approve annual malt beverage license for Westy’s One Stop.
7. Council approved G. Deinert to hire city emergency help paying up to \$100.
8. Renken looking at possibility of ordinances to address alleys and disturbing the peace. Council will investigate this further at next meeting.

9. The International Property Maintenance Code IPMC302.8 was distributed to members.
10. Anderson is applying for Mosquito Funding for 2018.
11. 2018 Budget Training registration is due by June 29. Mayclin and Frank are looking to attend.
12. Mayclin advised that all collection letters and refund letters have been mailed out, awaiting response.
13. The TR3 Galaxy Gateway hardware was damaged during the blizzard, and the cost to replace it is \$6,100 plus electrical (2 estimates will be sought.) An insurance claim will be submitted for this property loss.
14. The city received a letter from an attorney regarding a recent ordinance change, and how it affects his client, Kip Garry. The council has forwarded the letter to our attorney.

Motion by Hohbach, second by Maltzberger to adjourn the meeting at 9:30 p.m..

Tom Koch
Mayor

Laura Mayclin
Finance Officer

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