

**CITY OF MT. VERNON, ILLINOIS
REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING**

Monday, June 6, 2016

7:00 P.M.

MINUTES

The Mt. Vernon City Council held a Regular City Council Meeting on Monday, June 6, 2016 at 7:00 p.m. at the Rolland W. Lewis Community Building, Veterans Park, 800 South 27th Street, Mt. Vernon, IL.

The invocation was given by Kent Jackson of the Family Life Church.

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

ROLL CALL

Roll call showed present: Council Members Jeff May, Dennis McEnaney, Donte Moore and Mayor Mary Jane Chesley. Absent: Council Member Todd Piper.

PRESENTATION OF JOURNALS

The Journal for the May 16, 2016 Regular City Council Meeting was presented to Council for their approval. **Council Member Moore made a motion to approve the Journals as presented. Seconded by Council Member McEnaney. Yeas: May, McEnaney, Moore and Chesley. Absent: Piper.**

APPROVAL OF CONSOLIDATED VOUCHERS FOR ACCOUNTS PAYABLE

The Consolidated Vouchers for Accounts Payable were presented to Council for approval. Council Members requested additional information regarding the following items: #1 All Inclusive Rec - \$3,994.00 – Safety mulch for the playground surface in City Parks. #3 Carter-Waters - \$1,800.00 – 30 ADA Sidewalk Ramps for Public Works Department. #7 Downtown Development Corporation - \$57,500.00 – 1st distribution of funding per the FY 2016/2017 budget representing one-half of their annual funding from the City. #19 Jefferson County Treasurer - \$9,813.84 – The City's share of the animal control costs for April (\$9,486.84) and City share of the Community Service Coordinator for April (\$327.00). #24 Mobotrex - \$1,755.00 – these are parts for various signal lights and not for 42nd Street and Veterans Memorial Blvd. signal light.

Council Member May made a motion to approve the Consolidated Vouchers for Accounts Payable in the amount of \$1,433,904.56. Seconded by Council Member McEnaney. Yeas: May, McEnaney, Moore and Chesley. Absent: Piper.

BIDS & QUOTES

Bechtel presented for Council's consideration a request for Permission to seek Request for Proposals for Banking Services. Council Member May reminded that Banterra Bank is his employer and therefore not eligible to submit a proposal. It was suggested that regional banks be invited to submit proposals. May suggested that the proposal include the cost of the credit card component from Tyler Technologies so it is compatible with the City's financial software

Council Member McEnaney made a motion to grant Permission to Seek Request for Proposals for Banking Services. Seconded by Council Member Moore. Yeas: May, McEnaney, Moore and Chesley. Absent: Piper.

Bechtel presented for Council's consideration the bid results for the Phoenix Modular Construction Road. This temporary road will enable Phoenix Modular access to their parcel of land in the new industrial park and allow them to begin construction. To comply with terms of the EDGE agreement, they must have the new facility completed by December.

Council Member Moore made a motion to accept the bid results for the Phoenix Modular Construction Road. Seconded by Council Member May. Yeas: May, McEnaney, Moore and Chesley. Absent: Piper.

Bechtel presented for Council's consideration the bid Results for the Demolition of 14 Properties. There are 13 residential and one commercial property included in this round of demolition. A total of four bids were received. The estimate for this round was \$75,000. The lowest qualified bid was submitted by Kenneth Hail Excavating in the amount of \$57,000.

Council Member May made a motion to accept the bid results for the Demolition of 14 Properties. Seconded by Council Member Moore. Yeas: May, McEnaney, Moore and Chesley. Absent: Piper.

Bechtel presented for Council's consideration the bid results for the Broadway and Main Street Phase 2 Water Main Replacement project. Only one complete bid was received for this project and that was from J.K. Trotter and Sons in the amount of \$826,561.50. The scope of work for this project is on Main St. from 7th Street to the Appellate Courthouse.

Council Member McEnaney made a motion to accept the bid results for the Broadway and Main Street Phase 2 Water Main Replacement project. Seconded by Council Member Moore. Yeas: May, McEnaney, Moore and Chesley. Absent: Piper.

CITY MANAGER

City Engineer Brad Ruble presented the capital projects status report as follows:

CAPITAL PROJECTS REPORT

GENERAL SUMMARY OF PROJECT STATUS – June 2016



TRANSPORTATION

Project	Cost	Work Phase	% Complete	Est. Compl. Date	Notes
42 nd St. Reconstr. (Victoria to Richview)	4.0 M	Design(HMG) Const.(Baxmeyer)	100% 75%	Complete 3 rd Q 2016	Road is closed to through traffic. Ulac Lane to the south is completed. Woodglen Ln. to the tracks is now closed.
N. 27 th / Old Union Rd.	2.0 M	Design(HMG) Construction	100% 0%	Complete 2 nd Q 2017	Bids have been obtained awaiting award.
Perkins Avenue (10 th to 12 th)	1.0 M	Design(Homer/Shifrin) Construction(Baxmeyer)	100% 10%	Complete 3 rd Q 2016	Construction has begun. Road is closed to thru traffic. Utility conflicts being resolved.
42 nd at Veterans Signals	225 K	Design(HMG) Construction	100% 0%	1 st Q 2016 2 nd Q 2016	Complete by August 1 st . Materials have started to arrive.
Ambassador Roadway near new High School	1.25 M	Design(Rhutasel) Const. (ET Simonds)	100% 100%	Complete Complete	Ribbon cutting was held and project is completed.
Fairfield Road Resurfacing	1.0 M 80% IDOT	Design(Roundtable) Construction	100% 0%	2 nd Q 2016 4 th Q 2016	Project will be awarded to SI Asphalt thru IDOT. Pre-construction meeting is this week.
Route 15 Overlay	65 K	Design Construction	Unknown Unknown	Summer 2017	This is an IDOT project.
Phoenix Modular Temp. Road	70 K	Design (City) Construction	100% 0%	August 2016	Project is scheduled for award in June.

SEWER

Project	Cost	Work Phase	% Complete	Est. Compl. Date	Notes
Lift Station 14 Force main Replacement	1.2 M	Design(HMG) Construction	100% 0%	As needed Unknown	Project on stand still waiting for monies to become available.
Ambassador Road near new High School	300 K	Design(HMG) Const(Trotter)	100% 95%	1 st Q 2015 4 th Q 2015	Project is complete except for some dirt work cleanup. Waiting until spring to allow or settling. Sewer is functioning and operable.
Lift Station 14 Station Replacement	2.0 M	Design(N/A) Construction	0% 0%	Pending	Project is on stand still.

SIDEWALKS / TRAILS

Project	Cost	Work Phase	% Complete	Est. Compl. Date	Notes
Richview Wide Sidewalk (27 th to 24 th on South)	400 K	Design(Heneghan) Construction(Moniger)	100% 70%	Complete June 2016	Moniger Const. has started construction. Storm sewer is in place, sidewalk and driveways are being poured.
Wilshire Sidewalk (Richview to Old Union)	190 K	Design(Rhutasel) Construction	95% 0%	4 th Q 2015 4 th Q 2016	Easement acquisition has begun. 10 out of 27 have been gotten. All have been mailed out.
*-SRTS Airport Rd. and McCauley	360 K 154K IDOT	Design(RoundTable) Const. (Not Selected)	95% 0%	2 nd Q 2016 4 th Q 2016	Design work is ongoing. Project Development Report has been submitted. September bid.

WATER

Project	Cost	Work Phase	% Complete	Est. Compl. Date	Notes
Broadway & Main Water Phase 1	1.85 M	Design(RoundTable) Construction	100% 40%	Complete 3 rd Q 2016	Main Street water main is complete except for concrete work. Broadway portion is ongoing.
Broadway & Main Water Phase 2	1.0 M	Design(RoundTable) Construction	100% 0%	2 nd Q 2016 1 st Q 2017	Phase 2 will replace from 15 th to 6 th along Main Street. Bids have been received, award in June.
S. 44 th Street Replacement	200 K	Design (Rhutasel) Construction	95% 0%	June 2016 4 th Q 2016	EPA permits have been submitted. Go out for bid in late June or July.

INDUSTRIAL PARK INFRASTRUCTURE

Project	Cost	Work Phase	% Complete	Est. Compl. Date	Notes
Roads	7.3 M all project	Design(HMG) Construction	80% 0%	4 th Q 2016 2 nd Q 2018	Detailed design work has begun. North Industrial Drive, South Industrial Drive, Shiloh Drive, and Sparrow Lane.
Water & Sewer	85K Tarp, 1.285M EDP, 3.25M EDA	Design(HMG) Construction	99% 0%	1 st Q 2016 2 nd Q 2017	Water and sewer EPA permits have been obtained. Site Certification is approved. 4 of 8 easements obtained.

Nathan McKenna, Assistant to the City Manager, presented the programmatic status report:

CITY PROGRAMMATIC REPORT

GENERAL SUMMARY OF PROJECT STATUS – June 2016



Project	Work Phase	Act. / Est. Cost	% Complete	Est. Compl. Date	Notes
Republic Rewards Program	Planning	N/A	N/A	Ongoing	Residents can now go to republicgivesback.com to vote for the 5 projects selected. The project to receive the most votes will be awarded a \$5000 grant. Voting runs through July 29 th . The five organizations are Jefferson County Historical Society, Nutrition on Weekends, United Way of South Central Illinois, Bright Start Education and Family Center, and Jefferson County Assoc. for Home and Community Education.
Surplus Property	Review	N/A	N/A	Ongoing	Sold an additional two properties. Still have 91 surplus lots available. Developing guidelines for a "Mow to Own" program.
Housing Demolition	Demolition	57K		Ongoing	Received bids for 14 properties, 13 residential and 1 commercial. Kenneth Hail Excavating was the lowest bidder – 57K. Total budgeted for demo this year is 135K.
City Hall Basement	Review	125 K		Complete	Estimates for Mold remediation, asbestos abatement and water drainage received.
City Hall Improvements	Review	N/A			Comprehensive report on city hall repairs is complete. Top priority listed is the boiler system (\$76K replacement cost) and the condition of the basement(\$125K).
Lincoln Park Addition	Planning Construction	1.6M	100%	TBD	Project on hold pending review. Parks Department has submitted paperwork required to keep the grant in good standing. Project funding from IDNR suspended until review by Gov. Office. (400 Thousand)
Armory/ Market	Design Construction	N/A 2M	100% 0%	TBD	Project on hold pending review. Project funding from IDNR suspended until review by Gov. Office. (1.55 million) in the fifth month of State fiscal year without a budget.

CITY ATTORNEY

City Attorney Bill Howard presented for Council’s consideration the First Reading of an Ordinance Restructuring the Police Department Ranks. Currently there is a Captain in the Detective Division and a Captain in the Narcotics Division. The proposal, if approved, will combine the divisions with one Captain over both and add a Sargent position.

Council Member McEnaney made a motion to suspend the rules and vote on the ordinance tonight. Seconded by Council Member May. Yeas: May, McEnaney, Moore and Chesley. Absent: Piper. Council Member McEnaney made a motion to adopt Ordinance No. 2016-12 Restructuring the Police Department Ranks. Seconded by Council Member Moore. Yeas: May, McEnaney, Moore and Chesley. Absent: Piper.

City Attorney Howard presented for Council’s consideration the First Reading of an Ordinance Annexing Property Located at 1810 S. 10th Street having PIN’s 11-05-101-011; 11-05-101-012; and 11-05-101-016. Previously, the Huck’s gas station on South 10th Street sat on a parcel of ground that was in the City limits. When the new facility was built, it was built on a parcel not in City limits. Since that time, BLT Properties annexed properties where they plan to build storage units in the city. This made the new Huck’s property completely surrounded by City property thereby giving the City the ability to annex them into the City. **FIRST READING ONLY.**

City Attorney Leggans presented for Council’s consideration a Resolution Supporting the Community Garden to be located in the northeast corner of Veteran’s Park at the old swimming pool site.

Council Member McEnaney made a motion to approve a Resolution Supporting the Community Garden. Seconded by Council Member May. Yeas: May, McEnaney, and Chesley. Absent: Piper. Abstain: Moore.

Item 9-D was resolved and no longer necessary to be discussed.

MAYOR

Mayor Chesley reminded residents that the City workers are working hard to improve our neighborhoods with new and repaired sidewalks, streets and roads, and removing dilapidated buildings.

- Please remember to keep our neighborhoods clean and neat.
- Trash and recycling totes should be rolled back to your house after emptied by Republic Services.
- You must call Republic Services to schedule a pick-up for bulk items.
- Don't throw grass clippings in the street gutters.

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Council Member Moore advised that Republic Services has only "one" truck used for bulk pick-up on Fridays so your scheduled bulk pick-up may not occur until the next week if the truck is full before reaching your house. There will be a neighborhood meeting at 6 p.m. on Monday, June 13, at the Logan Street Baptist Church located at 601 S. 21st St. He commended Lenola Spann's effort to clean up her neighborhood. She has signs available for sale for \$10.

VISITORS/CITIZEN REQUESTS/ADDRESSES FROM THE AUDIENCE

Jim Whetstone, representing Martin & Bayley, Inc., owners of Huck's, told the city council it would prefer the gas station to remain outside of the city limits.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

City Manager Bechtel requested an Executive Session pursuant to 5 ILCS 120/2(c)(2) Collective Negotiation and 5 ILCS 120/2(c)(11) Litigation of the Open Meetings Act. **Council Member Moore made a motion to adjourn to Executive Session pursuant to 5 ILCS 120/2(c)(2) Collective Negotiation and 5 ILCS 120/2(c)(11) Litigation. Seconded by Council Member May. Yeas: May, McEnaney, Moore and Chesley. Absent: Piper.**

ADJOURNMENT

Council Member McEnaney made a motion to adjourn the Regular City Council Meeting. Seconded by Council Member Moore. Yeas: May, McEnaney, Moore and Chesley. Absent: Piper.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:20 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Jerilee Hopkins
City Clerk