

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

**Monday, May 2, 2016**

**7:00 P.M.**

**MINUTES**

The Mt. Vernon City Council held a Regular City Council Meeting on Monday, May 2, 2016 at 7:00 p.m. at the Rolland W. Lewis Community Building, Veterans Park, 800 South 27<sup>th</sup> Street, Mt. Vernon, IL.

The invocation was given by Rev. Ed Sprinkle.

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

**ROLL CALL**

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

**PRESENTATION OF JOURNALS**

The Journals for the April 18, 2016 Regular City Council Meeting and the April 21, 2016 City Council Workshop were 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, Piper and Chesley.**

**APPROVAL OF CONSOLIDATED VOUCHERS FOR ACCOUNTS PAYABLE**

The Consolidated Vouchers for Accounts Payable were presented to Council for approval. Council Member Moore asked City Manager Mary Ellen Bechtel for additional information regarding the following items: #6 Fager McGee - \$32,624.29 – Aquatic Zoo renovations to be reimbursed by FGM Architects. All of the ADA improvements are complete and waiting for the State inspection to be conducted. #14 Illinois State Police Academy - \$3,208.26 – law enforcement training for new Police Officer Hanrahan. The training is ongoing. Council Member McEnaney inquired about the following items: #12 Illinois EPA Loan - \$21,233.99 – payment on Lift Station 15. This is the new lift station on South Davidson Drive. #18 Mobotrex - \$11,883.50 – 42<sup>nd</sup> Street South street signals. This is payment to a vender for materials to construct the street signals. They will be operational before school starts in August. #26 Spillman Technologies - \$1,770.00 – registration for conference. This is software training for the Police Department

**Council Member Piper made a motion to approve the Consolidated Vouchers for Accounts Payable in the amount of \$1,075,297.64. Seconded by Council Member Moore. Yeas: May, McEnaney, Moore, Piper and Chesley.**

**BIDS & QUOTES**

Bechtel presented for Council's consideration a request for Permission to seek Bids on Demolition of 14 Properties, as follows. Bids are due on June 1, 2016 at 10 a.m.

210 North 4<sup>th</sup> Street  
503 North 7<sup>th</sup> Street  
329 South 2<sup>nd</sup> Street  
307 South 13<sup>th</sup> Street  
913 South 10<sup>th</sup> Street (Commercial)  
729 South 17<sup>th</sup> Street  
815 South 17<sup>th</sup> Street  
615 South 20<sup>th</sup> Street  
724 South 20<sup>th</sup> Street  
816 South 20<sup>th</sup> Street  
1007 South 21<sup>st</sup> Street  
904 South 24<sup>th</sup> Street  
906 South 24<sup>th</sup> Street  
1110 Bell Avenue

**Council Member Piper made a motion to grant Permission to Seek Bids on Demolition of 14 Properties as noted. Seconded by Council Member May. Yeas: May, McEnaney, Moore, Piper and Chesley.**

City Manager Bechtel presented for Council's consideration Permission to Seek Bids on 44<sup>th</sup> Street Water Main Replacement. This project is being funded by the 2012 bonds and is expected to cost less than \$200,000.00. The replacement water main will run south from Illinois State Route 15 to the old Tommy T's Restaurant. Work will commence as soon as possible.

**Council Member McEnaney made a motion to grant Permission to Seek Bids on 44<sup>th</sup> Street Water Main Replacement. Seconded by Council Member Moore. Yeas: May, McEnaney, Moore, Piper and Chesley.**

Bechtel presented for Council's consideration Permission to Seek Bids for Construction of a Temporary Roadway from Davidson Drive to the new Industrial Park. Phoenix Elevator is constructing a new building at the new Industrial park. In order for them to meet deadlines in place by the State of Illinois EDGE (Economic Development for a Growing Economy) Agreement, Phoenix must have their building constructed and open for business by the end of December, 2016. A temporary road is needed to enable them to meet the deadline.

**Council Member Piper made a motion to Seek Bids for Construction of a Temporary Roadway from Davidson Drive to the new Industrial Park. Seconded by Council Member McEnaney. Yeas: May, McEnaney, Moore, Piper and Chesley.**

**CITY MANAGER**

City Engineer Brad Ruble presented the following Capital Projects Report:

**CAPITAL PROJECTS REPORT**

GENERAL SUMMARY OF PROJECT STATUS – May 2016

**TRANSPORTATION**

<i>Project</i>	<i>Cost</i>	<i>Work Phase</i>	<i>% Complete</i>	<i>Est. Compl. Date</i>	<i>Notes</i>
42 <sup>nd</sup> St. Reconst. (Victoria to Richview) N. 27 <sup>th</sup> / Old Union Rd.	4.0 M	Design(HMG) Const.(Baxmeyer)	100% 65%	Complete 3 <sup>rd</sup> Q 2016	Road is closed to through traffic. Woodglen Lane to Victoria has been paved. Sidewalks and entrances in this section next.
	2.0 M	Design(HMG) Construction	100% 0%	April 2016 1 <sup>st</sup> Q 2017	Have set bid opening date for May 11 <sup>th</sup> .
Perkins Avenue (10 <sup>th</sup> to 12 <sup>th</sup> )	1.0 M	Design(Horner/Shifrin) Construction(Baxmeyer)	100% 0%	Complete 3 <sup>rd</sup> Q 2016	Construction has begun. Road is closed to thru traffic.
42 <sup>nd</sup> at Veterans Signals	225 K	Design(HMG) Construction	100% 0%	1 <sup>st</sup> Q 2016 2 <sup>nd</sup> Q 2016	Complete by August 1 <sup>st</sup> . Materials have started to arrive.
Ambassador Roadway near new High School	1.25 M	Design(Rhutasel) Const. (ET Simonds)	100% 90%	2 <sup>nd</sup> Q 2015 2 <sup>nd</sup> Q 2016	Mid May completion expected.
Fairfield Road Resurfacing	1.0 M 80% IDOT	Design(Roundtable) Construction	100% 0%	2 <sup>nd</sup> Q 2016 4 <sup>th</sup> Q 2016	Project will be awarded to SI Asphalt thru IDOT.

**SEWER**

<i>Project</i>	<i>Cost</i>	<i>Work Phase</i>	<i>% Complete</i>	<i>Est. Compl. Date</i>	<i>Notes</i>
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 <sup>st</sup> Q 2015 4 <sup>th</sup> 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.

Nathan McKenna, Assistant to the City Manager, presented the following report:

**CITY PROGRAMMATIC REPORT**

GENERAL SUMMARY OF PROJECT STATUS – May 2016

<i>Project</i>	<i>Work Phase</i>	<i>Act. / Est. Cost</i>	<i>% Complete</i>	<i>Est. Compl. Date</i>	<i>Notes</i>
Housing Program	Implementation		100% ongoing	Ongoing Ongoing	Remax will hold a ribbon cutting for the new subdivision at Woodglen Acres Commons on May 6 <sup>th</sup> at 11 am. Compiling content for the next web magazine to be completed end of June.
Republic Rewards Program	Planning	N/A	N/A	Ongoing	We have received 7 applications for the Republic Rewards Grant. Committee will review on Tuesday May 3 <sup>rd</sup> and notify top three for voting on the Republic Rewards website, republicgivesback.com.
Surplus Property	Review	N/A	N/A	Ongoing	We did not receive any bids on recent surplus property. They will be added to the list to be sold on first come basis. We did receive an offer on another property after the bidding deadline.
Housing Demolition	Demolition	72K		Ongoing	Asking council permission to seek bids on 14 the demolition of 14 properties. 13 are residential and 1 is a commercial property.
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		100%		Project on hold pending review. Project funding from IDNR suspended until review by Gov. Office. (400 Thousand)
Armory / Market	Construction	1.6M		TBD	
	Design	N/A	100%		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.
	Construction	2M	0%	TBD	

**SIDEWALKS / TRAILS**

<i>Project</i>	<i>Cost</i>	<i>Work Phase</i>	<i>% Complete</i>	<i>Est. Compl. Date</i>	<i>Notes</i>
Richview Wide Sidewalk (27 <sup>th</sup> to 24 <sup>th</sup> on South)	400 K	Design(Heneghan) Construction(Moniger)	100% 10%	Complete 2 <sup>nd</sup> Q 2016	Moniger Const. has started construction. Pipe installation and curbing will be first items completed.
Wilshire Sidewalk (Richview to Old Union)	190 K	Design(Rhutasel) Construction	95% 0%	4 <sup>th</sup> Q 2015 4 <sup>th</sup> 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)	80% 0%	2 <sup>nd</sup> Q 2016 4 <sup>th</sup> Q 2016	Design work is ongoing. Environmental report submitted and cleared.

**WATER**

<i>Project</i>	<i>Cost</i>	<i>Work Phase</i>	<i>% Complete</i>	<i>Est. Compl. Date</i>	<i>Notes</i>
Broadway & Main Water Phase 1	1.85 M	Design(RoundTable) Construction	100% 40%	Complete 3 <sup>rd</sup> 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 <sup>nd</sup> Q 2016 1 <sup>st</sup> Q 2017	Phase 2 will replace from 15 <sup>th</sup> to 6 <sup>th</sup> along Main Street. Will set the bid date soon.

**INDUSTRIAL PARK INFRASTRUCTURE**

<i>Project</i>	<i>Cost</i>	<i>Work Phase</i>	<i>% Complete</i>	<i>Est. Compl. Date</i>	<i>Notes</i>
Roads	7.3 M all project	Design(HMG) Construction	80% 0%	3 <sup>rd</sup> Q 2016 4 <sup>th</sup> Q 2017	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 <sup>st</sup> Q 2016 4 <sup>th</sup> Q 2016	Water and sewer EPA permits have been obtained. Easements will need to be acquired before bidding occurs. Easements being acquired. Site Certification forms have been

Bechtel presented for Council's consideration a Request for Permission to Close South 11<sup>th</sup> Street from Jordan Street to the south end of the Elks Lodge property. Mt. Vernon Elks #819 requested the road closure on Saturday, June 18, 2016 from 10:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m. during their "Family Day at the Elks" event.

**Council Member Piper made a motion to grant Permission to Close South 11<sup>th</sup> Street from Jordan Street to the south end of the Elks Lodge Property on June 18, 2016 from 10:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m. Seconded by Council Member McEnaney. Yeas: May, McEnaney, Moore, Piper and Chesley.**

**CITY ATTORNEY**

City Attorney David Leggans presented for Council's consideration the Second Reading of an Ordinance Amending Article 6, Section 6.9 of the Revised Code of Ordinances regarding the Number of Liquor Licenses – Restaurant License for Ali Asian Cuisine. Restaurant owner Chang Lin appeared.

**Council Member May made a motion to Adopt Ordinance No. 2016-8 Amending Article 6, Section 6.9 of the Revised Code of Ordinances regarding the Number of Liquor Licenses – Restaurant License to Ali Asian Cuisine. Seconded by Council Member Moore. Yeas: May, McEnaney, Moore, Piper and Chesley.**

City Attorney Leggans presented for Council's consideration the Second Reading of an Ordinance Regarding Water, Sewer and Trash Rates. In order to balance the Public Utilities Operating Fund it is necessary to increase the service charge for trash pickup to \$19.00 per month (increased from \$16.50) effective May 1, 2016.

**Council Member May made a motion to adopt Ordinance No. 2016-9 Regarding Water, Sewer and Trash Rates. Seconded by Council Member McEnaney. Yeas: May, McEnaney, Moore, Piper and Chesley.**

City Attorney Leggans presented for Council's consideration First Reading of an Ordinance Authorizing the Sale of Municipal Property. The outdated vehicles and equipment come from the following departments: Police, Fire, Public Works, Public Utilities, Parks, Engineering/Inspection and Fleet Services. Mike Shannon, Director of Fleet Services, estimates to receive approximately \$175,000.00 for the surplus equipment to be sold at auction and by other means. The following are lists of surplus property. **FIRST READING.**

Surplus Vehicles 2016

	#	MAKE & MODEL	VEHICLE TYPE	VEHICLE ID #
1	G 103	1998 Ford	F-150 Pickup	1FTZF1721WXC26676
2	G 110	1998 Ford	Crown Victoria	2FAFP73W7WX193066
3	G 108	2002 Jeep	Grand Cherokee	1J4GW48N32C277404
4	G 213	1996 Chevrolet	C1500	1GCEK19MXTEL22660
5	D 223	1987 Int'l.	3 Ton Dump	1HTLDLXPDHHS17861
6	D 628	1996 Int'l	3 Ton Dump	1HTSDAAN5TH257306
7	D 626	1993 Int'L 4900	3 Ton Dump	1HTS_DPNN5PH53 1266
8	D 251	2000 Case 590 Super L	Backhoe	1JG0212472
9	D 265	1997 John Deere 770	Tractor / 1999 Rhino 72" Mower / 2005 John Deere 647	M007DA171709
10	D 266	2005 Toro Groundmaster	328-D 4WD w/GM300 72" recycler	250000337
11		1997 Toro Groundmaster	325-D 4WD w/GM300 72" recycler	70126
12		2001 Toro Groundmaster	328-D 4WD w/GM300 72" recycler	21000327
13		John Deere	2653 reel mower	M026538070126
14	281	1999 Trailer Express	18' Utility Trailer	5CVFSY82 9XS000379
15	282	1992 Wixaphan	20' Custom Built Trailer	620120037792
16	489	1991 Troy-Built	RearTine Tiller	0938928
17	G 604	1998 Ford	F-150 Pick-Up	1FTZF1724WXC26672
18	G 620	1999 Ford E350	w/VersaTR TEL291	1FTSE3490GH842142
19	D 648	2001 Johnston 605	Street Sweeper	1FVAB38V0JH173828
20	D 651	2005 John Deere 410G	Backhoe/Loader	T0410GXB47414
21	D 656	1998 Case 1840	Unl Loader (Skidsteer)	JAF0234020
22	D 661	1988 Caterpillar	Grader 12-G	61M12436
23	D 663	1959 Seaman	Tractor-Tiller	SP2760
24	D 657	1999 New Holland	Tractor / Mower	1186158 / 01646
25	D 671	2010 Asphalt Zipper	Zipper with Trailer	Model # A2360B, Serial 96S00226, Trailer Serial 109FS0820AU021680
26	G 673	Orange Esslok 4500	Hand Roller	3250
27	D 674	1994 Bomag Bw202AD	Vibratory Compactor	109640600135R
28	D 675	1987 Powercurber	5700 Curb Machine	570587101
29	G 677	1989? Excel-Hustler	Model 275 Sweeper	N240955
30	679	1982 Low-Boy	Trailer for Air Curtain	Z24711
31	G 690	Arrow Master P500R	Temper - (Dwnbwn. Develop)	486P002
32	D 692	1980 Ingersoll Rand	Air Compressor	139303U84179
33	693	1991 Model 0740890A	Paint Machine (hot)	P101753
34	G 57	1995 Dodge (blue)	Dakota (confiscated)	1B7G B23X85S3 86474

Surplus Equipment 2016

Quantity	Description	LD. Number
8	8x2x2 Water tubs	
1	Air compressor - Air King 10gal. 1/2hp. Blue	
2	Electric heaters	
1	Gas heater	
4	Steam heaters	
1	Stainless handicap pool lift	
2	Filing cabinets	
6	3" Fire hose	
10	Parking meters	
1	Wooden step ladder	
1	Skidsteer enclosure	
1	Map holder	
1	Asphalt cutter	
1	Skidsteer sweepster	
1	25hp. 3-phase electric motor	
1	Bucket truck bucket	
1	Hydraulic breaker	
1	Tailgate chipper	
1	Under tailgate shoulder maintenance spreader	
1	Dump truck tarp	
1	Plate tamper	
1	Tamper	
1	Challenger scissor lift	
3	Onan transfer switch	
1	Siemens 400 amp breaker box	
1	Century 7.5hp electric motor	
12	Light poles	
1	Maytag	
1	GE gas oven	
1	Electric oven	
1	Refrigerator	
3	Lockers	
1	Electrical box	
3	Bed frames	
2	Weight benches	
1	Exercise bike	
1	Basketball goal	
34	Fluorescent lights	
1	Zephyr 8060E 6000 watt generator	448-2135298-002
1	Generac SQ20-1124 20,000 watt generator	sech 0698215
1	New Year's Eve	
1	7' snow plow	
1	Beverage cooler	
1	Blue trench shoring	
1	Hydraulic speed shoring	
2	1000 gallon poly tank	
3	Wayne Roy backhoe buckets	
2	Under tailgate salt spreaders	
3	12' snow plows	
1	Scale	
1	Rhino rotary cutter	
1	Bush Hog rotary cutter	12-04088
1	Bush Hog rotary cutter	12-04095
1	John Deere MX-8 rotary cutter	
1	V-Plow	

City Attorney Leggans presented for Council's consideration a Resolution Approving an Agreement between the City of Mt. Vernon and Local 738 International Association of Firefighters AFL-CIO. This is the first of six union contracts to be negotiated this year. This is a two-year contract.

**Council Member McEnaney made a motion to adopt a Resolution Approving an Agreement between the City of Mt. Vernon and Local 738 International Association of Firefighters AFL-CIO. Seconded by Council Member Piper. Yeas: May, McEnaney, Moore, Piper and Chesley.**

#### MAYOR

Mayor Chesley presented for Council's consideration the Reappointment of Sheila Jolly-Scrivner and Mike Carbonaro to the Tourism Board and Appointment of Dana Barnum and Bill Pixley to the Tourism Board.

**Council Member Moore made a motion to Reappoint Sheila Jolly-Scrivner and Mike Carbonaro to the Tourism Board and Appointment of Dana Barnum and Bill Pixley to the Tourism Board. Seconded by Council Member McEnaney. Yeas: May, McEnaney, Moore, Piper and Chesley.**

Mayor Chesley presented for Council's consideration the Appointment of Mike Beard to the Minority Affairs and Human Relations Commission and Reappointment of Mary Ellen Bechtel, Chris Deichman and Jim Brown to the Minority Affairs and Human Relations Commission.

**Council Member Piper made a motion to Appoint Mike Beard to the Minority Affairs and Human Relations Commission and Reappointment of Mary Ellen Bechtel, Chris Deichman and Jim Brown to the Minority Affairs and Human Relations Commission. Seconded by Council Member May. Yeas: May, McEnaney, Moore, Piper and Chesley.**

Mayor Chesley presented for Council's consideration the Appointment of Craig Olsen to the Planning and Zoning Commission. Jim Wood resigned.

**Council Member Moore made a motion to Appoint Craig Olsen to the Planning and Zoning Commission. Seconded by Council Member May. Yeas: May, McEnaney, Moore, Piper and Chesley.**

Mayor Chesley presented for Council's consideration the Reappointment of Nikita Hughes to the Park Board.

**Council Member Piper made a motion to Reappoint Nikita Hughes to the Park Board. Seconded by Council Member McEnaney. Yeas: May, McEnaney, Piper and Chesley. Abstain: Moore.**

Mayor Chesley presented for Council's consideration the Reappointment of Roger Tedrick and Laura Schaubert to the TIF Board.

**Council Member McEnaney made a motion to Reappoint Roger Tedrick and Laura Schaubert to the TIF Board. Seconded by Council Member Piper. Yeas: May, McEnaney, Moore, Piper and Chesley.**

#### CITY COUNCIL

City Council presented no business.



**VISITORS/CITIZEN REQUESTS/ADDRESSES FROM THE AUDIENCE**

Martin Karch and Jennifer Dilger, of 2717 Mannen, reported another incident about the sewage in their yard due to a sewer line clean out and excessive rain. Mr. Karch stated that because the City's camera is not operational, Rodney King of Hydro-mole examined the line and saw roots and a portion of the line is collapsed. Assistant Director of Public Utilities Jonathan Younger noted that he has not seen the aforementioned report. He will obtain the report and share it with the Mayor, Council and City Manager. Mr. Karch mentioned other concerns about the City.

Kelly Martin and Eric Gockel, of the Mt. Vernon Community Gardens group, reported on their progress and requested permission to locate a garden in the northeast corner of Veteran's Park property. Council suggested that the group submit the architect's garden design to Council for their review.

**EXECUTIVE SESSION**

No Executive Session was held.

**ADJOURNMENT**

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

The meeting was adjourned at 8:05 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Jerilee Hopkins  
City Clerk