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**City of Mt. Vernon, Illinois
Regular City Council Meeting
Monday, June 19, 2023
7:00 p.m.**

The Mt. Vernon City Council held a Regular City Council Meeting on Monday, June 19, 2023 at 7:00 p.m. in the City Council Chamber at City Hall, 1100 Main Street, Mt. Vernon, Illinois. Facebook Live: <https://www.facebook.com/MtVernonIL>.

Mayor John Lewis opened the meeting.

Pastor Brian Fuller with First Baptist Church of Woodlawn led the Invocation.

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

ROLL CALL

Roll call showed present: Council Member Ray Botch, Council Member Joe Gliosci, Council Member Mike Young, and Mayor John Lewis. Absent: Council Member Donte Moore

PRESENTATION OF JOURNALS

The Journal for the June 5, 2023 Regular City Council Meeting was presented for approval.

Council Member Mike Young motioned to approve the Journal as presented. Seconded by Council Member Ray Botch. Yeas: Botch, Gliosci, Young and Lewis. Absent: Moore.

VISITORS/CITIZENS REQUESTS/ADDRESSES FROM THE AUDIENCE

None.

APPROVAL OF CONSOLIDATED VOUCHERS FOR ACCOUNTS PAYABLE

The Consolidated Vouchers for Accounts Payable were presented to the Council for approval.

Council Member Joe Gliosci motioned to approve the Consolidated Vouchers for Accounts Payable in the amount of \$2,171,861.79. Seconded by Council Member Ray Botch. Yeas: Botch, Gliosci, Young and Lewis. Absent: Moore.

BIDS AND QUOTES

City Manager Mary Ellen Bechtel presented Bid Results for the 2023-2024 Asphalt Overlay Project. Staff recommendation is to award this to the low bidder, E.T. Simonds, in the amount of \$628,786.72. The streets included in this bid are listed below. This project will be paid for out of Motor Fuel Tax Funds.

Sassafras Lane	"Park" to cul-de-sac's
Osage Drive	Sassafras to Woodglen
Fox Creek	42nd to Cul-de-sac
Piccadilly	Wren Drive to 34th
N. 34th Street	Piccadilly to Central St.
Warwic	Kingsridge to Cul-de-sac
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North Street	Route 37 to 7th St.
7th Street	150' N. of RR to Broadway

Rooter's Asphalt	\$703,223.90
E.T. Simonds	\$628,786.72
Samron	\$694,694.00

Council Member Joe Gliosci motioned to grant permission to accept the Bid Results for the 2023-2024 Asphalt Overlay Project from E.T. Simonds in the amount of \$628,786.72. Seconded by Council Member Mike Young. Yeas: Botch, Gliosci, Young and Lewis. Absent: Moore.

City Manager Mary Ellen Bechtel presented Bid Results for the Street Materials for the In-House Street Project. Staff recommends awarding this to the low bidder, Jax Asphalt, for all groups in the total amount of \$405,494.68. The E.T. Simonds bid was rejected by the State of Illinois as they failed to bid on both items in Group 4. This project will be paid for out of Motor Fuel Tax Funds.

Jax Asphalt	\$405,494.68
E.T. Simonds	\$251,256.00

Council Member Ray Botch motioned to grant permission to accept the Bid Results for the Street Materials for the In-House Street Project from Jax Asphalt in the amount of \$405,494.68. Seconded by Council Member Joe Gliosci. Yeas: Botch, Gliosci, Young and Lewis. Absent: Moore.

City Manager Mary Ellen Bechtel presented Bid Results for the Annual Pavement Restriping. Staff recommendation is to award this to the low bidder, Varsity Striping & Construction from Champaign, Illinois in the amount of \$17,662.86. This is to stripe 50% of the local roads this year.

Varsity Striping	\$17,662.86
America's Parking Remarking	\$19,625.40

Council Member Ray Botch motioned to grant permission to accept the Bid Results for the Annual Pavement Restriping from Varsity Striping in the amount of \$17,662,86. Seconded by Council Member Mike Young. Yeas: Botch, Gliosci, Young and Lewis. Absent: Moore.

City Manager Mary Ellen Bechtel presented Bid Results for a New Bucket Truck. There was only one bidder. They met the bid specifications. Staff recommendation is to award the bid to Altec Industries in the amount of \$193,000.00. Delivery will be in 2024. Fleet Services Director Mike Shannon was available to answer questions regarding the bucket truck.

Council Member Ray Botch motioned to grant permission to accept the Bid Results for a New Bucket Truck from Altec Industries in the amount of \$193,000.00. Seconded by Council Member Joe Gliosci. Yeas: Botch, Gliosci, Young and Lewis. Absent: Moore.

CITY MANAGER

City Manager Mary Ellen Bechtel requested permission to Seek Quotes for a New Shelter at the Aquatic Zoo. The City would like to add a shelter at the Aquatic Zoo.

Council Member Mike Young motioned to grant permission to Seek Quotes for a New Shelter at the Aquatic Zoo. Seconded by Council Member Ray Botch. Yeas: Botch, Gliosci, Young and Lewis. Absent: Moore.

City Manager Mary Ellen Bechtel requested permission to Waive Bidding and Purchase a New Digital Sign from T. Ham Signs, Inc. for a Digital Sign at Veterans Park. This will be in the same location as the existing signage and the same size. A quote has been received from T. Ham Signs Inc. for \$32,601.20. The City is asking the Council to waive the bidding procedure and award this purchase to T. Ham Signs.

Council Member Joe Gliosci motioned to grant permission to Waive Bidding and Purchase a New Digital Sign from T. Ham Signs, Inc. for a Digital Sign at Veterans Park. Seconded by Council Member Mike Young. Yeas: Botch, Gliosci, Young and Lewis. Absent: Moore.

City Manager Mary Ellen Bechtel presented for Approval of a Subdivision Preliminary and Final Plat for Veterans and 28th Street Subdivision, Part of Lot 19 in the City Park Annex No. 1. The applicant, KEG Investments 1, LLC, recently purchased the property on Veterans Drive that includes a car wash, laundromat, and storage units. They have applied for a subdivision of the property separating the car wash and storage unit from the laundromat. This was approved by the Zoning and Planning Commission 3-0. Craig Emery from Round Table Design was present to answer any questions.

Council Member Joe Gliosci motioned to approve the Subdivision Preliminary and Final Plat for Veterans and 28th Street Subdivision, Part of Lot 19 in the City Park Annex No. 1. Seconded by Council Member Ray Botch. Yeas: Botch, Gliosci, Young, and Lewis. Absent: Moore.

CITY ATTORNEY

City Attorney David Leggans presented for First Reading of an Ordinance Authorizing the Sale of Municipal Property. City Manager Mary Ellen Bechtel stated this is property described as “Sieman DeWatering Centrifuge Unit and Incline Conveyor”. This equipment is no longer necessary or useful to the City, as it has been replaced. There is a potential buyer for this equipment.

Council Member Ray Botch made the motion to suspend the rules and take action on the Ordinance, an Ordinance Authorizing the Sale of Municipal Property. Seconded by Council Member Mike Young. Yeas: Botch, Gliosci, Young and Lewis. Absent: Moore.

Council Member Ray Botch motioned to approve Ordinance #2023-24, an Ordinance to Authorize the Sale of Municipal Property. Seconded by Council Member Joe Gliosci. Yeas: Botch, Gliosci, Young and Lewis. Absent: Moore.

City Attorney David Leggans presented for First Reading of an Ordinance Authorizing the Sale of Municipal Property located at 1911 Broadway. City Manager Mary Ellen Bechtel explained that the City became owner of this property this week and wants to surplus the property to dispose of it.

Council Member Ray Botch made the motion to suspend the rules and take action on the Ordinance, an Ordinance Authorizing the Sale of Municipal Property located at 1911 Broadway. Seconded by Council Member Mike Young. Yeas: Botch, Gliosci, Young and Lewis. Absent: Moore.

Council Member Ray Botch motioned to approve Ordinance #2023-25, an Ordinance Authorizing the Sale of Municipal Property located at 1911 Broadway. Seconded by Council Member Mike Young. Yeas: Botch, Gliosci, Young and Lewis. Absent: Moore.

City Attorney David Leggans presented for Second Reading of an Ordinance Prohibiting Parking on North Street, Peek Street, North Last Street, South Last Street, East Last Street, and Rufus Street. City Manager Mary Ellen Bechtel stated that this will prohibit parking on both sides of the street. She stated she had received no calls either for or against this Ordinance.

Council Member Mike Young motioned to approve Ordinance #2023-26, an Ordinance Prohibiting Parking on North Street, Peek Street, North Last Street, South Last Street, East Last Street, and Rufus Street. Seconded by Council Member Joe Gliosci. Yeas: Botch, Gliosci, Young and Lewis. Absent: Moore.

City Attorney David Leggans presented a Resolution Accepting a Proposal from Barber Murphy for Real Estate Broker Services for the Sale of the Municipal West Building located at 200 Potomac Blvd. City Manager Mary Ellen Bechtel stated that there was only one proposal received from a

realtor. Their commission is 6% and their plan for marketing the property is in the proposal. This is a reputable company. Some of the local commercial deals they have been involved in are Menards, Dunkin Donuts, and Fujiyama.

Council Member Joe Gliosci motioned to approve the Resolution Accepting a Proposal from Barber Murphy for Real Estate Broker Services for the Sale of the Municipal West Building located at 200 Potomac Blvd. Seconded by Council Member Ray Botch. Yeas: Botch, Gliosci, Young and Lewis. Absent: Moore.

City Attorney David Leggans presented a Resolution Approving a Change Order with Bevis Construction for the Concrete Paving of the New Parks Building Parking Lot. City Manager Mary Ellen Bechtel explained that this is to install 6" concrete paving around the new Public Works Building at Veterans Park. The cost is \$168,530.00. She stated that there is enough money in the budget for this improvement to be done now instead of in the future.

Council Member Joe Gliosci motioned to approve the Resolution Approving a Change Order with Bevis Construction for the Concrete Paving of the New Parks Building Parking Lot. Seconded by Council Member Ray Botch. Yeas: Botch, Gliosci, Young and Lewis. Absent: Moore.

MAYOR

Mayor Lewis wanted to remind the public that there will be an Open House for the Police Department on Saturday, July 8 from 10:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.

CITY COUNCIL

Council Member Ray Botch stated he had just toured the new Police Department and encouraged everyone to come to the Open House. He was very impressed, however, he found one wall in one of the bathrooms that he wanted to bring to the attention of Staff. Mayor Lewis stated he would have that issue looked into if it hadn't already been corrected.

VISITORS/CITIZENS REQUESTS/ADDRESSES FROM THE AUDIENCE

Lisa Russell spoke to the Council regarding an event she is hosting at the Mt. Vernon Airport. She is hoping to make it an annual event with any proceeds being donated to a local charitable organization. She stated that the event would be a not-for-profit event and she was asking for information regarding the Ordinance for food trucks and vendors. She asked if there is an exception for this type of event to set up at no charge by the City. City Manager Mary Ellen Bechtel explained there is no exception for charitable events. There was discussion regarding the Ordinance and Mayor Lewis and City Manager Bechtel stated that the Council has been reviewing the Ordinance and that the City would get back to her after they have had a chance to meet and review the issue further.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

None.

ADJOURNMENT

Council Member Ray Botch motioned to adjourn. Seconded by Council Member Joe Gliosci. Yeas: Botch, Gliosci, Young and Lewis. Absent: Moore.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:35 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,



Becky Barbour, Deputy City Clerk