

MT. VERNON CITY COUNCIL
Council Minutes
July 10, 2023

The regular meeting of the Mt. Vernon City Council was called to order at 7:00 pm by Mayor Weston Frank, with the following council members present: D. Anderson, D. Renken, D. Moke and R. DeKok. Also present: Maint. Officers G. Deinert and R. Stahl, and Fin. Officer L. Mayclin. Attending for public participation were: Dave Kluth and Mike Kluth, representing the fire department.

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

Motion by Anderson, second by Renken to approve the agenda.

M. Kluth and D. Kluth attended the meeting to discuss ADA compliance for the sidewalk at the new fire department and to discuss the need for a license to serve alcoholic beverages at their grand opening event on August 26. Motion by Powell, seconded by Anderson to approve the plan for the sidewalk improvements. Motion by Anderson, seconded by Moke to approve the temporary liquor license for the fire department.

Motion by Anderson, second by DeKok to approve the following consent items for June: Financial Statement, Council Minutes, General Fund Balances, Credits Report/Bank Statement and Payment of Bills.

Bills:

	<u>General</u>	<u>Water</u>	<u>City Tax</u>	<u>Sewer</u>	<u>Sewer Surcharge</u>	<u>Description</u>
Weston Frank	170.85					wages
David Anderson	60.03					wages
Connor Powell	60.03					wages
Dave Renken	60.03					wages
Sherri Kayser	60.03					wages
Roger DeKok	60.03					wages
Darin Moke	60.03					wages
Ardis Overweg	589.79					wages
Gene Deinert	3,728.11	230.87				wages
Ryan Stahl	3,244.42					wages
Laura Mayclin	1,084.00					wages
Glen Wentland	165.24					wages

MV School	75.00				rent
Davison Rural Water		10,925.95			water
SD Retirement	1,121.40				retire
Verizon	61.15				util
Santel	236.74	45.58			util
Northwestern Energy	1,377.91	301.63	25.76	131.44	util
L&L Sanitation	4,992.00				garb
Forum	62.65				publ
Communication	350.64				sales tax
SD State Treasurer (DOR)					
SD DOH		30.00			Lab
SD Reemployment Ins	40.42				Unempl
CorTrust	2,835.03	38.26			941
Menards	114.26	188.30			supplies
Westy's	112.56				Fuel
MVG&O	594.84				Fuel
USBank				16,346.28	Project
Runnings	157.71	139.00			Maint
Carquest	303.05				supplies
J&W Mktg	355.00				Mgmt
CorTrust Visa	195.98	167.50		106.00	supplies
Kalissa Mayclin	50.00				Cleaning
Schoenfelder	287.55	428.57			Repairs
Jones Supply	74.62	74.62			supplies
TSD Construction	433.67				Repairs
M&L Repair	56.75				Repairs

Scott Supply	649.74	Repairs
SD Retirement	57.01	Fee

OLD BUSINESS

1. The grounding issue at The Hall, which was recently repaired, is no longer a problem.
2. There is no update on code enforcement at this time.
3. The welcome packet is complete and Councilmen Anderson and DeKok will be delivering one to a new resident this evening.
4. Deinert and Stahl met with the Conservation District regarding tree replacement at the park. The trees will cost \$100 each and will be about 6 feet tall. We will be getting approximately 20 trees. This project will be done next spring. The flagpole, which needs a new rope, will be repaired this Wednesday.
5. We are currently looking for funding to replace the playground equipment at the park. The current equipment is designated as residential, and the council would like to obtain funding to replace it with commercial equipment. Anderson had tried to get grants from South Dakota Game, Fish and Parks, but the city hasn't been successful in securing a grant so far.
6. Motion by Anderson, seconded by Moke to approve the Santel buried cable project, as long as it is returned to original condition when the project is complete.

NEW BUSINESS

1. Deinert and Stahl continue to assist the Baseball Association in pumping water out of dugouts after rain. We received an estimate from Zach Scott Construction for Northview Road repairs. It is \$4,000 less than our lowest estimate so far, so council is going with it. Deinert's last day will be August 1, 2024, and the city will pay any accrued vacation upon retirement.
2. Mayclin told the council of MSHA training that was suggested by Safety Benefits for Stahl. Stahl will be signed up to attend the training. The city will need to plan for \$10,000 in the 2024 budget for a new lawnmower. Council will discuss more budgeting at the August meeting, including long-term budgeting for a new truck.
3. There are two residents who have dumpsters that were previously being billed directly through Petrik. Since Petrik is no longer handling the garbage service, the city will begin billing them as of our July 2023 billing.
4. Motion by Anderson, seconded by Renken to approve the Community Access Grant Resolution.
5. Council discussed the DOT Signing and Delineation Project, deciding not to sign off on it.
6. The City will hold an Open House on July 31, 2023 from 4pm–8pm at The Hall, honoring Gene Deinert for his many years of service.
7. At 8:28 pm council entered Executive Session for personnel and legal SDCL 1-25-2.1 and 2.3. Council exited Executive Session at 8:42 pm.

Motion by Renken, second by DeKok to adjourn at 8:43 p.m.

Weston Frank

Laura Mayclin

Mayor

Finance Officer

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