

The Mount Vernon City Council met October 2, 2023, at City Hall, 213 1st Street NW, Mount Vernon, IA. A Zoom option was available. The following Council members were present: West, Tuerler and Rose. Absent: Herrmann and Engel.

Call to Order. At 6:30 p.m. Mayor Thomas M. Wieseler called the meeting to order.

Agenda Additions/Agenda Approval. Motion made by Rose, seconded by Tuerler to approve the Agenda. Motion carries. Herrmann and Engle absent.

Consent Agenda. Motion made by Tuerler, seconded by West to approve the Consent Agenda. Motion carries. Herrmann and Engel absent.

Approval of City Council Minutes – September 18, 2023 Regular Council Meeting

Approval of City Council Minutes – September 20, 2023 Special Council Meeting

Approval of Liquor License – Gary’s Foods

Approval of Liquor License – Mount Vernon PNP Convenience Store

Approval of Liquor License – Bon Appetit at Cornell College

Recognition of Tuesday, October 31, 2023 as Halloween

Resolutions for Approval.

Resolution #10-2-2023A: Accepting Work for the Project Known as Candlestick Drive NE Improvements with Boomerang Corporation. The curb and gutter improvements have been inspected by the City Engineer and staff is comfortable recommending their acceptance. Motion made by Tuerler, seconded by Rose to approve Resolution #10-2-2023A Accepting work for the project known as Candlestick Drive NE Improvements. Roll call all yes. Resolution passes. Herrmann and Engle absent.

Motions for Approval

Consideration of Claims List – Motion to Approve. Motion made by West, seconded by Tuerler to approve the Claims List. Motion carries. Herrmann and Engel absent.

PAYROLL	CLAIMS	106,033.65
SEPTAGON CONSTRUCTION	PAY APP #9-PD CONSTRUCTION	103,338.63
B&R ENTERPRISES	SIREN UPGRADES/REPAIRS-FD	25,765.28
MIDWEST STORAGE SOLUTIONS	LOCKERS-PD CONSTRUCTION	16,447.53
MENARDS	ROOFING MATERIALS-P&REC	6,081.39
MOTOROLA SOLUTIONS INC	CAMERAS-PD	5,365.40
STATE CHEMICAL SOLUTIONS	CHEMICALS-P&REC	4,510.42
VEENSTRA & KIMM INC	CANDLESTICK STREET IMPROVEMENT	3,492.00
VEENSTRA & KIMM INC	2022 SANI SEWER INVESTIGATION	3,072.00
VEENSTRA & KIMM INC	REMOTE READ METER PROJECT	3,020.00
ALLIANT ENERGY	ENERGY USAGE-WAT	2,679.30
GRONEWOLD, BELL, KYHNN & CO PC	FY23 AUDIT SERVICES	2,250.00
LINN CO-OP OIL CO	FUEL-PW	2,227.88
MOUNT VERNON BANK & TRUST CO	FRAUD CHARGE-P&A	2,095.41
VEENSTRA & KIMM INC	DAVIS PARK BALLFIELD LIGHTING	1,839.00
EMPLOYEE BENEFIT SYSTEMS	INSURANCE CLAIMS-ALL DEPTS	1,586.59
LISBON, CITY OF	AMB DIRECTOR CONTRACTED SALARY	1,532.83

KONE INC	ELEVATOR MAINT-LBC	1,484.00
STONE CITY QUARRIES	STONE-CITY HALL PLANTER	1,461.07
CAUSE TEAM	UNIFORMS/PPE-PW	1,438.25
SPRINGVILLE READY MIX	PLANTER FOOTING-CITY HALL	1,422.75
VEENSTRA & KIMM INC	STONEBROOK 9&10 PREL PLAT	1,026.00
VEENSTRA & KIMM INC	CANDLESTICK STREET IMPROVEMENT	935.35
CAMPBELL SUPPLY CEDAR RAPIDS	TOOLS/BATTERIES-PW	677.00
WOODWARD COMMUNITY MEDIA	ADS/PUBLICATIONS-ALL DEPTS	607.46
POSTMASTER	UTILITY BILL POSTAGE-WAT,SEW,SW	570.33
DEFENSIVE EDGE TRAINING	TRAINING-PD	550.00
AHLERS & COONEY P.C.	LEGAL FEES-P&A	546.00
TEAM SERVICES INC	CONST TESTING SERVICES-PD CONST	494.58
REXCO EQUIPMENT INC	EQUIP REPAIR-RUT	483.89
VERMEER SALES & SERVICE INC	CHIPPER FILTERS-SW	479.64
COMMERCIAL SHADING SYSTEMS	WINDOW FILM-LBC	475.00
VEENSTRA & KIMM INC	KWIK STAR SITE PLAN	440.00
P&K MIDWEST INC	EQUIP REPAIR-RUT	436.66
MEDIACOM	PHONE/INTERNET-P&A	422.92
BON APPETIT	MEALS-P&A	393.26
EMPLOYEE BENEFIT SYSTEMS	INSURANCE CLAIMS-ALL DEPTS	364.10
VEENSTRA & KIMM INC	HWY 1 RAB IMPROVEMENTS	358.00
AMAZON CAPITAL SERVICES	SUPPLIES-LBC	349.80
KONICA MINOLTA BUSINESS SOLUTIONS	MAINT PLAN/COPIES-P&A	333.98
CENTRAL IOWA DISTRIBUTING	SUPPLIES-LBC	316.00
DE NOVO MARKETING	MONTHLY MAINT-LBC	300.00
CAMPBELL SUPPLY CEDAR RAPIDS	EQUIPMENT-RUT	281.83
LUKE RUSHFORD	REFEREE-P&REC	275.00
EMPLOYEE BENEFIT SYSTEMS	INSURANCE CLAIMS-ALL DEPTS	274.50
MEDIACOM	PHONE/INTERNET-FD	272.66
ALLIANT ENERGY	ENERGY USAGE-P&REC	259.18
JAKOB A YOCK	REFEREE-P&REC	240.00
MAXWELL SIDERS	REFEREE-P&REC	240.00
CITY LAUNDERING CO	SERVICES-LBC	234.55
WENDLING QUARRIES	ROADSTONE-RUT	233.02
SPRINGVILLE READY MIX	FLAG POLE BASES-CITY HALL	230.63
CURTIS ENGLISH	PORTABLE RR RENTALS-P&REC	230.00
VEENSTRA & KIMM INC	BUSINESS 30 CULVERT REPAIR	220.00
VEENSTRA & KIMM INC	PRE TREATMENT EVAL-US NAMEPLATE	220.00
BRADY WEAVER	REFEREE-P&REC	200.00
EVAN COLEMAN	REFEREE-P&REC	200.00
GAGE HOLUB	REFEREE-P&REC	200.00
JAKOB HAUGSE	REFEREE-P&REC	200.00
TIERNAN BOOTS	REFEREE-P&REC	200.00
RC TECH	CAMERA SERVICE-SW	186.50
US CELLULAR	CELL PHONE-P&REC,WAT,SEW	166.23
MOUNT VERNON BANK & TRUST CO	NSF CHECK-WAT	163.50
SETH RUSHFORD	REFEREE-P&REC	160.00
WENDLING QUARRIES	CLEAN STONE-FD	151.93
CR LC SOLID WASTE AGENCY	SERVICE-SW	141.83
THOMAS M WIESELER	MILEAGE-P&A	141.48
CENTRAL IOWA DISTRIBUTING	SUPPLIES-P&A	134.00
KONICA MINOLTA BUSINESS SOLUTIONS	MAINT PLAN/COPIES-LBC	130.38
VEENSTRA & KIMM INC	CANDLESTICK STREET IMPROVEMENT	128.00
MGM STORAGE LLC	STORAGE CONTAINER-PD	125.00

IOWA ONE CALL	LOCATES-WAT,SEW	120.60
MOUNT VERNON BANK & TRUST CO	NSF CHECK-WAT	119.82
KIECKS	UNIFORMS-PD	118.00
IOWA DEPT OF NATURAL RESOURCES	ANNUAL WATER USE FEE-WAT	115.00
CHRISTOPHER BROWN	CLEANING SERVICE-FD	112.50
CHRIS NOSBISCH	MILEAGE/INSURANCE CLAIM-P&A	108.68
JASON HOAGLUND	REFEREE-P&REC	105.00
CENTRAL IOWA DISTRIBUTING	SUPPLIES-LBC	98.00
AHLERS & COONEY P.C.	LEGAL FEES-P&A	92.50
LYNCH FORD	VEHICLE MAINT-PD	90.77
WOODWARD COMMUNITY MEDIA	ADS/PUBLICATIONS-P&REC	72.00
MENARDS	PLUMBING SUPPLIES-P&A	69.73
CITY LAUNDERING CO	SERVICES-P&A	69.33
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PROFESSIONAL WINDOW CLEANING	WINDOW CLEANING-P&A	64.00
LINN COUNTY PLANNING & DEVELOPMENT	PROPERTY MAINT INSPECTION-P&A	63.52
LYNCH FORD	VEHICLE MAINT-PD	63.20
ALLIANT ENERGY	ENERGY USAGE-PD	61.98
STAPLES INC	SUPPLIES-P&A	58.47
PRESTO-X	PEST CONTROL-P&A	58.00
STAPLES INC	SUPPLIES-P&A	44.49
IOWA WATER ENVIRONMENT ASSOC	ANNUAL CONFERENCE-WAT	40.00
ALLIANT ENERGY	ENERGY USAGE-SEW	37.72
LYNCH FORD	VEHICLE MAINT-RUT	33.09
ALLIANT ENERGY	ENERGY USAGE-P&REC	31.41
HAWKEYE FIRE & SAFETY	SUPPLIES-WAT	28.00
HAWKEYE FIRE & SAFETY	EQUIPMENT-PD	28.00
ALLIANT ENERGY	ENERGY USAGE-SW	27.75
SECRETARY OF STATE	FIRE CHIEF APPLICATION FEE-FD	20.00
POOL TECH INC	CHEMICALS-POOL	14.93
TOTAL		315,579.39

ARP POLICE STATION CONSTRUCTION	120,280.74
PAYROLL	106,033.65
GENERAL FUND	58,277.59
WATER FUND	5,308.99
CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PROJECTS	4,555.35
ROAD USE TAX FUND	4,444.56
LBC	3,692.17
ARP LINN COUNTY GRANT	3,072.00
REMOTE READ METER PROJ	3,020.00
SEWER FUND	2,388.16
SOLID WASTE	2,234.42
DAVIS PARK IMPROVEMENTS	1,839.00
LOST III STREETS & SIDEWALKS	358.00
STORM WATER FUND	74.76
TOTAL	315,579.39

Discussion and Consideration of Change Order #1 – Davis Park Ballfield Lighting – Council Action as Needed. This change order is for the Davis Park Ballfield Lighting project. The request is to modify the electric from a 480 volt Three Phase to a 240 Volt Single Phase due to product availability. The City

Engineer has reviewed the change order and indicated that this voltage will not change how the lights operate. Motion made by West, seconded by Tuerler to approve Change Order #1-Davis Park Ballfield Lighting. Motion carries. Herrmann and Engel absent.

Discussion and Consideration of Purchasing a Power Screed for Public Works – Council Action as Needed. Staff is requesting approval for the purchase of a Power Screed Tool to be used in the completion of the concrete floors at the Public Works cold storage buildings. This is a versatile tool that will be utilized for future work and repairs. A quote was provided from Star Equipment that included pricing for a new and used tool. The new tool would be a 3 to 4 week wait time. Public Works Director, Eldon Downs, said he also received a quote from Carroll Distributing for a new screed that they have in stock for just a few hundred dollars more than the new tool from Star Equipment. Motion made by West, seconded by Rose to approve the purchase of a Power Screed tool not to exceed \$12,000.00. Motion carries. Herrmann and Engel absent.

Discussion and Consideration to Approve the Final Pay Application for Candlestick Drive NE Improvements in the amount of \$164,414.00 (Final Pay App and Retainage) - Council Action as Needed. Motion made by West, seconded by Rose to approve the Final Pay Application for Candlestick Drive NE Improvements in the amount of \$156,193.30. Motion carries. Herrmann and Engel absent.

Discussion and Consideration to release retainage to Boomerang Corporation for Candlestick Drive NE Improvements - Council Action as Needed. This retainage will be released after the mandatory 30 day waiting period. Motion made by Rose, seconded by West to approve the retainage to Boomerang Cooperation in the amount of \$8,220.70. Motion carries. Herrmann and Engel absent.

Discussion and Consideration to Approve the Request for Funding from the Historic Preservation Commission for FY24-25 - Council Action as Needed. The Historic Preservation Commission is requesting City funding in the amount of \$16,000.00 to hire a consulting firm to update and expand the existing Historic Preservation Design Guidelines for the City of Mount Vernon. This request would be subject to review during the budget process based upon available funding. Historic Preservation would like to start the RFP process prior to July 1, 2024 if a commitment for funding is given by the City and funds would be available after July 1st. Motion made by Tuerler, seconded by West to approve this request from Historic Preservation to be reviewed by the City during the FY2024-25 budget process for RFP's, up to \$16,000.00 for updating and expanding the existing Historic Preservation Design Guidelines. Motion carries. Herrmann and Engel absent.

Herrmann arrives at 6:51 p.m.

Discussion and Consideration to Approve the Waters Edge Aquatic Design Proposal - Council Action as Needed. Lauren Ozburn with Waters Edge Aquatic Design provided a proposal in the amount of \$10,700.00 to identify the improvements needed to extend the life of the existing pool for the next 10 years. After an inspection of the pool, a list of improvements needed and their costs will be given. Motion made by Rose, seconded by West to approve the Waters Edge Aquatic Design Proposal in the amount of \$10,700.00. Motion carries. Engel absent.

Reports of Mayor/Council/Administrator

Mayor's Report. Wieseler thanked The Sun for the article about Chris Nosbisch being named Manager of the Year by the Iowa League of Cities at their annual conference.

Council Reports. Tuerler announced that leaf pick-up has started this week. West reported that the Mount Vernon-Lisbon Community Development Group was named as a top eight finalist for the GAMSA Award

(Great American Main Street Award). Herrmann reported that they did find out today that they did not make the top three list but this is still a great honor. Herrmann also reported that the presentation on daycare opportunities will be on October 6th at City Hall.

City Administrator's Report. Full report available on the City website under the October 2, 2023 Council Packet. Several engineering firms have reached out to the City regarding the RFP's for the downtown streetscape. These are due October 16th.

As there was no further business to attend to, the meeting adjourned, the time being 7:09 p.m., October 2, 2023.

Respectfully submitted,
Marsha Dewell
City Clerk