

The Mount Vernon City Council met March 6, 2023, at City Hall, 213 1st Street NW. For those individuals that were unable to attend or did not feel comfortable with in-person meetings, the City provided a Zoom option. For those planning to attend via Zoom the following information was needed: Telephone #: 1-312-626-6799, Meeting ID: 838 4428 7889, Password: 952412. If assistance was needed before the meeting, they could contact City Administrator Chris Nosbisch at 319-359-8613. The following Council members were present: Rose, West, Tuerler, Herrmann and Engel.

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

Agenda Additions/Agenda Approval. Agenda item J2 under Motions for Approval will be moved to another meeting. Motion made by Engel, seconded by Herrmann to approve the Agenda as amended. Motion carries.

Consent Agenda. Motion made by Herrmann, seconded by West to approve the Consent Agenda. Motion carries.

Approval of City Council Minutes – February 22, 2023 Regular Council Meeting

Resolutions for Approval

Resolution #3-6-2023A: Rejecting the Award of All Construction Bids for the Davis Park Improvement Project. The City received one bid for the Davis Park Improvement Project, which came in at \$131,522 above the Engineer's estimate. Staff is recommending that Council reject all bids and re-bid the project in two phases, one for the lighting and one for the building. Lighting remains the top priority for staff to elongate the hours of operation for the diamond and re-bidding this way would allow the City more flexibility with the requirements for the building itself, such as the start and end date. Motion made by Tuerler, seconded by Herrmann to approve Resolution #3-6-2023A rejecting the Award of All Construction Bids for the Davis Park Improvement Project. Roll call all yes.

Motions for Approval

Consideration of Claims List – Motion to Approve. Motion made by West, seconded by Rose to approve the claims list. Motion carries.

SEPTAGON CONSTRUCTION	PAY APP #2-PD CONSTRUCTION	38,475.00
MORTON SALT INC	ROAD SALT-RUT	27,719.71
REPUBLIC SERVICES #897	GB,RECYL-SW RESIDENTIAL	21,427.90
CARPET KING CARPET ONE	CITY HALL IMPROVEMENTS	20,679.10
FUTURE LINE TRUCK EQUIPMENT	ALUMINUM SERVICE BODY-PW	14,793.79
VEENSTRA & KIMM INC	DAVIS PARK IMPROVEMENTS	14,128.10
REPUBLIC SERVICES #897	GB,RECYL-SW	13,743.67
US BANK	CREDIT CARD PURCHASES-ALL DEPTS	9,666.30
SCHMITT CONSTRUCTION CO INC	PLAZA LIFT STATION REPAIRS	7,794.90
COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT GROUP	HOTEL/MOTEL TAX PYMT-ECON DEV	7,061.24
ELECTRIC PUMP	EQUIPMENT REPAIR-SEW	6,673.14
LINN CO-OP OIL CO	FUEL-PW	5,677.42
TREASURER STATE OF IOWA	SALES TAX	3,319.83
MARTIN GARDNER ARCHITECTURE	CONSTRUCTION ADMIN-PD CONST	3,196.80
VEENSTRA & KIMM INC	PRE TREATMENT EVAL-US NAMEPLATE	3,034.63

TREASURER STATE OF IOWA	WET TAX	2,827.45
KONE INC	ELEVATOR MAINT-LBC	2,820.48
VEENSTRA & KIMM INC	HWY 1 RAB IMPROVEMENTS	2,622.00
ROBERT BUSER	STIPEND-EMA	2,000.00
VEENSTRA & KIMM INC	PW STORAGE BUILDINGS	1,893.50
VEENSTRA & KIMM INC	PALISADES ROAD OVERLAY	1,822.82
IOWA SOLUTIONS INC	MONTHLY MAINT-PD	1,801.00
KRIS ENGINEERING INC	CURB GUARD FOR PLOWS-RUT	1,655.98
AFFORDABLE HEATING & COOLING	FAN MOTOR-SHOP FURNACE	1,612.66
VECTOR SOLUTIONS	TRAINING-FD	1,374.92
EBS	INSURANCE CLAIMS-ALL DEPTS	1,190.43
VEENSTRA & KIMM INC	PW STORAGE BUILDINGS	1,148.00
EVOQUE WATER TECHNOLOGIES LLC	PLANT COMMUNICATION-WAT	1,104.00
PAYROLL	CLAIMS	1,032.09
DAKOTA SUPPLY GROUP	REPAIR SLEEVES-WAT	989.00
FUTURE LINE TRUCK EQUIPMENT	VEHICLE LIGHTS-PW	898.48
INDUSTRIAL TECHNICAL SUPPORT	SERVICES-SEW	750.00
MT VERNON ROAD TIRE CO	VEHICLE MAINT-PD	736.48
WOODWARD COMMUNITY MEDIA	ADS/PUBLICATIONS-KMVL,P&A	732.58
P&K MIDWEST INC	LIGHT KIT-PW	553.87
POSTMASTER	UTIL BILL POSTAGE-WAT,SEW,SW	547.57
ALTORFER INC	GENERATOR MAINT-CITY HALL	547.30
MEDIACOM	PHONE/INTERNET-PD	520.32
MT VERNON LISBON COMM THEATRE	SUPPORT-MVHPC	500.00
THE GAZETTE	SUBSCRIPTION-P&A	457.60
CENTRAL IOWA DISTRIBUTING	SUPPLIES-LBC	456.00
MECHANICSVILLE TELEPHONE COMPANY	PHONE/INTERNET-LBC	426.22
VEENSTRA & KIMM INC	CITY ENGINEERING GENERAL	398.00
CARQUEST OF LISBON	SUPPLIES/VEHICLE MAINT-PW	365.22
ROBERT NELSON	MARKETING-LBC	350.00
ALEX VOLKOV	UNIFORMS-WAT,SEW	342.84
LYNCH FORD	VEHICLE MAINT-PD	302.80
DE NOVO MARKETING	MONTHLY MAINT-LBC	300.00
WORKFORCE SOLUTIONS	TRAINING-PD	285.00
CHRIS NOSBISCH	MILEAGE-P&A	279.69
CITY LAUNDERING CO	SERVICES-LBC	276.02
BRADY LANHAM	SERVICES-FD	259.36
MEDIACOM	PHONE/INTERNET-POOL	254.88
CREATIVE PRODUCT SOURCING	DARE-PD	215.18
IACP	MEMBERSHIP-PD	190.00
RC TECH	CAMERA SERVICE-SW	186.50
US CELLULAR	CELL PHONE-P&REC,WAT,SEW	178.97
P&K MIDWEST INC	PARTS-RUT	172.29
GORDON LUMBER COMPANY	CITY HALL IMPROVEMENTS	168.75
MOUNT VERNON BANK	NSF CHECK-WAT	154.96
CR LC SOLID WASTE AGENCY	SERVICE-SW	148.35
NEAL'S WATER CONDITIONING	WATER/SALT-LBC	148.00
STAPLES INC	SUPPLIES-P&A	144.99
KONICA MINOLTA BUSINESS SOLUTIONS	MAINT PLAN/COPIES-LBC	130.38
MGM STORAGE LLC	STORAGE CONTAINER-PD	125.00
AMAZON CAPITAL SERVICES	SUPPLIES-LBC	101.06
CAL VAUGHN	CELL PHONE STIPEND-PW	100.00
MERCY MEDICAL CENTER	PRE EMPLOYMENT PHYSICAL-P&A	85.00
KONICA MINOLTA BUSINESS SOLUTIONS	MAINT PLAN/COPIES-P&A	81.06

GARY'S FOODS	SUPPLIES-LBC,P&REC	75.30
SHERWIN WILLIAMS CO.	CITY HALL IMPROVEMENTS	59.26
CITY LAUNDERING CO	SERVICES-P&A	56.64
IMFOA	ANNUAL DUES-P&A	50.00
CHAD DEAHL	REFUND-LBC	50.00
JOE'S QUALITY WINDOW CLEANING	WINDOW CLEANING-PD	40.00
STAPLES INC	SUPPLIES-P&A	38.83
REXCO EQUIPMENT INC	EQUIP REPAIR-RUT	32.05
TOTAL		236,558.66

SOLID WASTE	41,994.34
ARP POLICE STATION CONST	41,671.80
ROAD USE TAX FUND	38,457.74
SEWER FUND	28,556.77
CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PROJECTS	21,515.99
GENERAL FUND	20,596.20
DAVIS PARK IMPROVEMENTS	14,128.10
WATER FUND	12,016.52
LBC	9,002.89
PW COLD STORAGE	3,041.50
HWY 30 CORRIDOR IMPROVEMENTS	2,622.00
PALISADES ROAD OVERLAY	1,822.82
PAYROLL	1,032.09
STORM WATER FUND	99.90
TOTAL	236,558.66

Discussion and Consideration of Historic Preservation Commission Correspondence with Shane Amundson Regarding 724 5th NW – Council Action as Needed. No discussion or action. Will be added to a future meeting agenda.

Discussion and Consideration of the 1st Street Streetscape Study – Council Action as Needed. Staff discussed the deterioration of the four-block area of 1st Street downtown during this year's CIP discussion. Councilperson Rose recently inquired as to the possibility of starting a feasibility study that would look at both costs and design options available to the City. There is approximately \$180,000 in the LOST streetscape fund that could be used to cover an engineering study. Nobsch said the City could RFP with the main focus on the downtown main street area but incorporate the north alley into the study as a secondary component, to see if it would be best to do both projects at the same time. Tuerler made a motion to approve the RFP process for the 1st Street Streetscape Study, seconded by West. Motion carries.

Discussion and Consideration of Setting a Public Hearing Date for April 17, 2023, to Consider the City of Mt. Vernon Fiscal Year 2023-2024 Proposed Budget – Council Action as Needed. The passage of Senate File 181 gave cities the ability to certify their budget by May 1, 2023. Staff is asking to take advantage of this change and to set the public hearing date for April 17, 2023. Motion made by Rose, seconded by Engel to set the public hearing date to consider the FY2023-2024 budget for April 17, 2023. Motion carries.

Reports to be Received/Filed.

Historic Preservation Commission Annual Report. Full report available on the City website under the March 6, 2023 Council packet.

Discussion Items (No Action). No discussion.

CIP/Budget

Reports of Mayor/Council/Administrator

Mayor's Report. Wieseler thanked Alex Volkov, Water/Wastewater Superintendent, for providing information for a study on wastewater treatment plant emissions, done by the Linn County Sustainability Committee. On April 1, 2023, Mount Vernon will be hosting Linn County Sustainability on environmental justice and sustainability and April 8, 2023 there will be a "Meet the Mayor" at Fuel.

Council Reports. Herrmann reported that Water's Edge will be coming to address Council soon with their recommendations about the pool. Tuerler shared news regarding possible changes to the requirements of trains carrying hazardous materials to notify local communities.

City Administrator's Report. Full report available on the city website under the March 6, 2023 Council packet. The City will have approximately 50 free trees available to residents. Information can be found at City Hall.

As there was no further business to attend to the meeting adjourned the time being 7:20 p.m., March 6, 2023.

Respectfully submitted,
Marsha Dewell
City Clerk