June 7, 2021 City Council Minutes 213 1st Street NW Mount Vernon, Iowa 52314

Due to the number of Covid 19 cases in Linn County, the City Council is reinstating Zoom only Council meetings as a precautionary measure. Residents were allowed to use the chat feature to present questions and/or make comments during the various stages of the Council meeting. The following information was needed for those who attended via Zoom: Telephone: 1-312-626-6799, Meeting ID: 852 1330 6152, Password: 994425. If assistance was needed before the meeting they could contact City Administrator Chris Nosbisch at 319-359-8613. The following Council members present via Zoom were: West, Wieseler, Herrmann and Rose. Absent: Roudabush.

**Call to Order.** At 6:35 p.m. Mayor Jamie Hampton called the meeting to order.

**Agenda Additions/Agenda Approval.** Motion made by Wieseler, seconded by Herrmann to approve the Agenda. Motion carries. Absent: Roudabush.

**Consent Agenda.** Motion to approve the Consent Agenda made by Herrmann, seconded by Rose. Motion carries. Absent: Roudabush.

Approval of City Council Minutes - May 17, 2021 Regular Council Meeting

Approval of Cigarette Permit - Yock's

Appoint Stephanie Schumacher – Housing Commission

## **Ordinance Approval/Amendment**

Ordinance #5-3-2021A: Adopting Chapter 78 Golf Carts and UTV's to the Mt. Vernon Municipal Code, Linn County, Iowa. City Administrator Chris Nosbisch said that he has not received any written or verbal communication from the public since the second reading. Motion to approve the third and final reading of Ordinance #5-3-2021A made by West, seconded by Wieseler. Roll call vote. Motion carries. Absent: Roudabush.

## **Resolutions for Approval**

Resolution #6-7-2021A: Accepting Work for the Project Known as the MVWWC Trail Project with Rathje Construction Co. The contractor, Rathje Construction is finishing a few minor items but the project as a whole is complete. The cost of the project was \$257,347.97 and of that total \$100,000.00 came from the Wellness grant / BCBS. The retainage of \$12,867.40 will be released after the 30 day waiting period. Motion to approve Resolution #6-7-2021A made by Wieseler, seconded by Herrmann. Roll call vote. Motion carries. Absent: Roudabush.

Resolution #6-7-2021B: Approving the Installation of Street Lights within the Spring Meadow Heights Subdivision According to the Terms Set Forth in the Existing Street Light Contract. Herrmann questioned the light placement; why are they on the side of the street that is facing existing property, specifically between lots 34 and 35 versus the lighting that's going to be needed on the other side of the street for the trail. Nosbisch replied the installation is where the electric is. The trail lights are run separately and water/sewer lines are on the other side of the street. He said he would check the plans to see what side the electric is on. Herrmann said that she was speaking to residents of Candlestick and they were unaware that they would have lighting and why it was going to be in the middle of the block versus an intersection. Nosbisch said the City adopted the Urban Design Standards as part of the subdivision code and they are placing them based upon that standard. Herrmann said she feels we owe it to the current residents of Candlestick, just like the conversation that was had with the Wolf Addition residents and it was decided, as

a Council, that it wasn't required in the division. Herrmann continued saying she feels we owe the same courtesy to the people on Candlestick who are now going from no lights to lights. Nosbisch said the big difference is that when it was approved in Wolf the Council had not adopted the Urban Design Standards yet so if that happens here then we would have to put together some kind of standard for waiving that requirement. It was suggested that a lower, less glaring light be installed. Dave Schechinger said that on occasion a softer light has been requested and he could talk to Alliant Energy to see what it would cost. Motion to table Resolution #6-7-2021B made by Herrmann, seconded by West. Motion carries. Absent: Roudabush.

Resolution #6-7-2021C: Setting the Salaries for the Appointed Officers and Employees of the City of Mt. Vernon for Fiscal Year 2021-2022. Mayor Hampton commented on the outstanding job City Administrator Chris Nosbisch has done and especially through Covid and the Derecho year of 2020. Mayor Hampton said that he has discussed a pay increase with the Personnel Committee and all are in agreement that, like Police Chief Doug Shannon, Nosbisch should also receive a 7.5% increase in salary which would make his salary \$111,705.40. Motion to amend Resolution #6-7-2021C to reflect a 7.5% increase for Nosbisch made by Herrmann, seconded by West. Roll call vote. Motion carries. Absent: Roudabush.

Resolution #6-7-2021D: Rejecting the Award of the Construction Bid for the Business 30 Resurfacing Project. Nosbisch explained that the bid for the Business 30 Resurfacing Project came in 35% higher than the engineers estimate. At this time staff is recommending Council reject the bid. Staff will continue to work with the city engineer on alternative repair methods. Motion to approve Resolution #6-7-2021D, a resolution rejecting the award of the construction bid for the Business 30 Resurfacing Project made by Rose, seconded by Herrmann. Roll call vote. Motion carries. Absent: Roudabush.

Resolution #6-7-2021E: Recognizing Granting Reciprocity for UTV and Golf Cart Permits Issued by the City of Lisbon. Approving Resolution #6-7-2021E grants residents the ability to operate their golf carts or UTV in both Lisbon and Mount Vernon. Motion to approve Resolution #6-7-2021E made by Wieseler, seconded by West. Roll call vote. Motion carries. Absent: Roudabush.

# **Motions for Approval**

Consideration of Claims List – Motion to Approve. Motion to approve the Claims List made by Rose, seconded by Wieseler. Motion carries. Absent: Roudabush.

AAA PEST CONTROL	PEST CONTROL-PD	55.00
AAA PEST CONTROL	PEST CONTROL-P&A	30.00
ALEX VOLKOV	UNIFORMS-WAT,SEW	107.99
ALLIANT IES UTILITIES	ENERGY USAGE-LBC	2,939.72
ALLIANT IES UTILITIES	ENERGY USAGE-PD	620.99
ALLIED GLASS PRODUCTS INC	DOOR REPAIR/CITY HALL-P&A	215.33
AMERICAN RED CROSS	SWIM LESSON REGISTRATION-POOL	650.00
AMY WHITE	SCRIPT WRITING-MVHPC	500.00
ANGELA POWER	REFUND-MVHPC	25.00
ARBOR CARE LLC	PROHIBITED TREE LIST REVIEW	862.50
ASCAP	SERVICES-LBC	368.67
ASHLEY OBERHOLSER	REFUND-POOL	32.00
B4 VENTURES LLC	DISPENSER,AVANT-POOL	663.26
BARNYARD SCREEN PRINTER LLC	T-SHIRTS-P&REC	1,790.00
BARNYARD SCREEN PRINTER LLC	T-SHIRTS-P&REC	851.50
BRADLEY HAUGE CPA	PROFESSIONAL SERVICES-ALL DEPTS	425.00
BRADY LANHAM	RELOCATED EXISTING DISCONNECT	340.00
BRADY LANHAM	STANDALONE POWER PANEL-P&A	150.00

BROWN SUPPLY COMPANY	MAINT PARTS-POOL	188.00
CARQUEST OF LISBON	VEHICLE MAINT-PW	174.31
CATERPILLAR FINANCIAL SERVICES	GENERATOR-PD	949.39
CENTRAL IOWA DISTRIBUTING	SUPPLIES-LBC	278.40
CENTRAL IOWA DISTRIBUTING	SUPPLIES-POOL	423.00
CHAPPYS REPAIR LLC	MOWER PARTS-RUT	273.80
CHRIS NOSBISCH	MILEAGE-P&A	252.56
CITY LAUNDERING CO	SERVICES-LBC	451.56
CITY LAUNDERING CO	SERVICES-LBC SERVICES-P&A	59.06
CITY LAUNDERING CO	SERVICES-F&A	
		59.06
CITY LAUNDERING CO	SERVICES-P&A	59.06
CONSTRUCTION MATERIALS INC	TOOLS-RUT	133.00
CORNELL COLLEGE	SOCCER OFFICIALS-P&REC	420.00
CURTIS ENGLISH	PORTABLE RR RENTALS-P&REC	1,215.00
DARLA APPLEBEE	REFUND-LBC	74.90
DE NOVO MARKETING	MONTHLY MIANT-LBC	300.00
DELTA DENTAL OF IOWA	INSURANCE-ALL DEPTS	1,599.94
DOORS INC	DEADBOLT-POOL	184.00
DOUG SHANNON	FITNESS MEMBERSHIP-PD	100.00
DUANE EASH	REFUND-MVHPC	25.00
EBS	INSURANCE CLAIMS-ALL DEPTS	614.71
EBS	INSURANCE CLAIMS-ALL DEPTS	606.09
ELECTRIC PUMP	BRYANT & O.RIDGE LS SERVICE-SEW	422.00
EVER-GREEN LANDSCAPE NURSERY	MULCH-RUT,P&REC	504.00
EVER-GREEN LANDSCAPE NURSERY	MULCH-RUT,P&REC	280.00
FIRECATT	FIRE HOSE TESTING-FD	3,488.20
GARY'S FOODS	SUPPLIES-LBC	156.55
GARY'S FOODS	SUPPLIES-POOL	877.33
GLOBAL PUBLIC SAFETY	TAC 10 MAINT RENEWAL-PD	7,300.00
GORDON LUMBER COMPANY	BLDG SUPPLIES-RUT,POOL	220.66
GRAINGER INC	SEALANT-POOL	84.11
HAYLEE MERCER	REFUND-P&REC	30.00
HOLIDAY INN AIRPORT & CONFERENCE	CONFERENCE-P&A	280.07
IMWCA	WORKER'S COMP INSURANCE	60,280.00
IOWA DEPT OF PUBLIC SAFETY	ON LINE WARRANTS-PD	1,800.00
IOWA DEPT OF PUBLIC SAFETY	ON LINE WARRANTS-PD	300.00
IOWA FINANCE AUTHORITY	SRF BOND PYMT	90,693.65
IOWA ONE CALL	LOCATES-WAT,SEW	94.50
IOWA PARK & REC ASSOCIATION	TRAINING-POOL	10.00
IOWA PRISON INDUSTRIES	POSTS-RUT	1,372.00
IOWA SOLUTIONS INC	COMP MAINT-PD	472.50
IOWA SOLUTIONS INC	COMP MAINT-P&A	302.50
IOWA SOLUTIONS INC	COMP MAINT-PD	925.00
IOWA SOLUTIONS INC	COMP MAINT-ALL DEPTS	819.50
JADE PATERNA	REFUND-P&REC	48.00
JOE JENNISON	SERVICES-MVHPC	500.00
JOENA'S SPECIAL NEEDS	UNIFORMS-PD	35.00
JORDAN AXTELL	REFEREE-P&REC	120.00
KIEFER & ASSOCIATES	LIFEGUARD EQUIPMENT-POOL	987.75
KLIMA DRAINAGE	TILE-PD CONSTR	815.75
KLIMA DRAINAGE	TILE-PD	266.10
KONICA MINOLTA BUSINESS SOLUTIONS	MAINTENANCE PLAN/COPIES-LBC	57.50
KONICA MINOLTA BUSINESS SOLUTIONS	MAINTENANCE PLAN/COPIES-LBC	26.09
KONICA MINOLTA BUSINESS SOLUTIONS	MAINTENANCE PLAN/COPIES-PD	587.78

KONICA MINOLTA BUSINESS SOLUTIONS	MAINTENANCE PLAN/COPIES	130.38
KRIS SCHNEIDER	REFUND-P&REC	96.00
KROUL FARMS	PLANTS-BEAUT	345.00
KROUL FARMS.	HANGING BASKETS-ECON DEV	1,736.95
KROUL FARMS.	PLANTS-BEAUT	816.75
KROUL FARMS.	PLANTS-BEAUT	68.75
LEXIPOL	MANUALS-PD	5,120.00
LIBERTY DOORS INC	MAINT-PD	175.00
LINN CO-OP OIL CO	FUEL-PW	3,767.05
LISBON MT VERNON AMBULANCE	AED SERVICE-POOL	199.76
MATT PETERSEN	DEPOSIT REFUND-WAT	10.00
MEDIACOM	PHONE/INTERNET-WWTP	269.40
MEDIACOM	PHONE/INTERNET-P&REC	235.23
MEDIACOM	PHONE/INTERNET-P&A	343.68
MENARDS	TOILET/NATURE PARK-P&REC	239.00
MIDWEST INJECTION INC	HAUL SLUDGE-SEW	15,000.00
MIDWEST PATCH	SIGNS-RUT	1,180.00
MIDWEST WHEEL CO	TREE SAVER STRAP-RUT	29.66
MONTICELLO EXPRESS	SWIM CARDS-POOL	68.00
MOUNT VERNON CONSTRUCTION INC	CAULKING-POOL	159.00
MOUNT VERNON LISBON SUN	ADS/PUBLICATIONS-K9.P&A	831.35
MOUNT VERNON LISBON SUN	ADS/PUBLICATIONS-R9,P &A  ADS/PUBLICATIONS-LBC	442.92
MOUNT VERNON LISBON SUN	ADS/PUBLICATIONS-ECON DEV	430.50
MOUNT VERNON PHARMACY	SUPPLIES-POOL,P&A	14.04
MPH INDUSTRIES	EQUIPMENT MAINT-PD	160.03
MT VERNON CAR WASH	VEHICLE MAINT-PD	72.00
MUNICIPAL SUPPLY INC	SUPPLIES-WAT	72.00 87.50
NEAL GILBERT	DEPOSIT REFUND-WAT	2.17
NEAL GILBERT NEAL'S WATER CONDITIONING SERVICE	WATER/SALT-PD	11.00
NEAL'S WATER CONDITIONING SERVICE	WATER/SALT-PD WATER/SALT-RUT	
NICOLE FREDERICKS	REFUND-POOL	30.00
	FILLER CAP-RUT	40.00
P&K MIDWEST INC PAYROLL	CLAIMS	9.93
PNP	FUEL-PD	192,726.24
		1,874.39
POSTMASTER	UTIL BILL POSTAGE-WAT,SEW,SW	397.61
RACHEL LAWRENCE RACOM CORPORATION	REFUND-LBC	74.90
	EQUIPMENT MAINT-PD CEMETERY MAINT-CEM	630.00
RICHARD BURROUGHS		3,040.00
SANDRY FIRE SUPPLY LLC	AIR PACK,EXTRICATION EQUIP MAINT	2,253.75
SHERWIN WILLIAMS CO. SIMMONS PERRINE MOYER BERGMAN	PAINT-POOL	303.00
SIMMONS PERRINE MOYER BERGMAN	LEGAL FEES P&A	1,955.00
	LEGAL FEES-P&A	1,456.00
STACEY RECTOR STAPLES INC	REFUND-POOL	35.00
	SUPPLIES-PD, POOL	266.83
STAPLES INC	SUPPLIES-ALL DEPTS	206.07
STAPLES INC	SUPPLIES-PD	179.91
STAPLES INC	SUPPLIES-PD,P&A	172.76
STREICHERS	UNIFORMS-PD	85.00
SUN LIFE ASSURANCE COMPANY	INSURANCE-ALL DEPTS	1,520.23
TASC	FDA ADMIN FEE-ALL DEPTS	329.94
TERI LINCOLN	REFUND-POOL	40.00
TOM WIESELER	BEE CITY USA RENEWAL-RUT	100.00
TOTAL TREE CARE OF IOWA CITY	TREE MAINT-SW	5,420.00
TREASURER STATE OF IOWA	WET TAX	3,201.00

TREASURER STATE OF IOWA	SALES TAX	2,701.00
TRUENORTH COMPANIES	EMPLOYEE THEFT/FORGERTY POLICY	425.00
UMB	LONG TERM DEBT PAYMENTS	979,537.50
US CELLULAR	CELL PHONE-P&REC,WAT,SEW	173.37
VEENSTRA & KIMM INC	BUSINESS 30 RESURFACE	8,068.56
VEENSTRA & KIMM INC	CITY ENGINEERING GENERAL	1,295.00
VEENSTRA & KIMM INC	1ST ST W RR BRIDGE REPAIR	362.00
VERMEER SALES & SERVICE INC	STUMP GRINDER RENTAL-S/W	3,500.00
WAPSI WASTE SERVICE	GB,RECYL-SW	22,661.18
WEBER STONE COMPANY INC	FLAGSTONE-P&REC	1,098.39
WELLMARK	INSURANCE-ALL DEPTS	21,649.06
WENDLING QUARRIES	GRAVEL-P&REC	233.01
WENDLING QUARRIES	STONE-P&REC	147.34
WHOLESALE REPAIR INC	ENGINE 215 REPAIR-FD	1,194.35
		1,484,658.78
CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PROJECTS		8,068.56
DEBT SERVICE FUND		1,070,231.15
GENERAL FUND		99,110.03
INSURANCE LEVY		425.00
LBC		11,596.09
LOST III COMMUNITY CENTER		300.00
PAYROLL		192,726.24
POLICE STATION CONSTRUCTION		1,765.14
ROAD USE TAX FUND		12,920.64
SEWER FUND		30,745.47
SOLID WASTE		36,433.08
STORM WATER FUND		2,398.23
WATER FUND		17,939.15
TOTAL		1,484,658.78

Discussion and Consideration of the Covid Related Policies and Procedures – Council Action as Needed. The only outstanding Covid related item left is in-person meetings. Staff suggested if Council wanted to start meeting in person again that the meetings be held at the Police Station because there is more space. West agreed that it was time but because she will be doing some future traveling would also like to keep going with Zoom. West motioned to have the next meeting (June 21, 2021) in person at the police station and also be able to have access via Zoom, seconded by Wieseler. Motion carries. Absent: Roudabush.

Discussion and Consideration of Pay Application #4 – MVWWC Trail – Council Action as Needed. Pay Application #4 is for the MVWWC /trail is for the amount of \$6,626.25. Motion to approve Pay Application #4 made by Rose, seconded by Wieseler. Motion carries. Absent: Roudabush.

Discussion and Consideration of Pay Application #5 – MVWWC Trail Retainage – Council Action as Needed. Pay Application #5 is the retainage for the MVWWC Trail and is in amount of \$12,867.40. It will be released after the 30 day waiting period. Motion to approve Pay Application #5 made by Wieseler, seconded by Rose. Motion carries. Absent: Roudabush.

Discussion and Consideration of Heritage Days Fireworks Application – Council Action as Needed. Motion to approve the Heritage Days Fireworks application made by Rose, seconded by West. Motion carries. Absent: Roudabush.

Discussion and Consideration of Advertising a Brand Story in the Livability Cedar Rapids Publication – Council Action as Needed. Staff asked Council to approve \$10,215.00 to become the featured community in the Livability Cedar Rapids marketing piece. The article would focus on the LBC and community events. Nosbisch explained that he thought this would be a good investment and the cost would be divided between all funds. The City Attorney will review. Motion to approve advertising a Brand Story in the Livability Cedar Rapids publication made by Rose, seconded by Herrmann. Motion carries. Absent: Roudabush.

Discussion and Consideration of Possibly Changing the July 5, 2021 Council Meeting Date – Council Action as Needed. Because the Fourth of July falls on Sunday this year City staff has Monday July 5<sup>th</sup> off. July 5<sup>th</sup> is the first Monday of the month and normally would be the first council meeting of the month. Staff asked Council to consider re-scheduling the meeting. Motion to move the 1<sup>st</sup> meeting in July to Wednesday, July 7, 2021 made by Herrmann, seconded by Wieseler. Motion carries. Absent: Roudabush.

#### **Discussion Items (No Action)**

Solid Waste RFP. Council was given a Solid Waste RFP (request for proposal) for review. Covid showed the problems with using/purchasing stickers so this new RFP moves away from that. Discussions will continue at the next Council meeting.

### Reports of Mayor/Council/Administrator

City Administrator's Report. Main Street Iowa review will be on Tuesday, June 8, 2021. Nosbisch will be attending the Iowa League of Cities meeting in Ankeny on Friday, June 11, 2021. A consultant has been hired to help review candidates for Sergeant. Two internal staff members have applied for the position.

As there was no further business to attend to the meeting adjourned the time being 7:47 p.m., June 7, 2021.

Respectfully submitted, Sue Ripke City Clerk