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**City of Mt. Vernon, Illinois  
Regular City Council Meeting  
Monday, July 17, 2017  
7:00 p.m.**

**MINUTES**

The Mt. Vernon City Council held a Regular City Council Meeting on Monday, July 17, 2017 at 7:00 p.m. at the Rolland W. Lewis Community Building, Veterans Park, 800 South 27<sup>th</sup> Street, Mt. Vernon, IL.

Mayor John Lewis called the meeting to order.

Terry Edwards of the Prince of Peace Lutheran Church gave the Invocation.

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

**ROLL CALL**

Roll call showed present: Council Member Jeff May, Council Member Donte Moore, Council Member Mike Young, and Mayor John Lewis. Absent: Council Member Jim Rippy.

**PRESENTATION OF JOURNALS**

The Journals for the July 3, 2017 Public Hearing and Regular City Council Meeting were presented to Council for any additions, deletions or corrections. **Council Member Donte Moore made a motion to approve the journals as presented. Seconded by Council Member Mike Young. Yeas: May, Moore, Young, and Lewis. Absent: Rippy.**

**VISITORS/CITIZENS REQUESTS/ADDRESSES FROM THE AUDIENCE**

Robert White of Bob White Insurance Agency, LLC. spoke in favor of allowing his client, Greg Patel of Funblasters, a liquor license. Patel has invested in this community by taking possession of a vacant building and providing fun activities for families. To grow his business, he is seeking a liquor license for beer and wine only.

Rose Straeter spoke on behalf of the "A Hand Up Summit" sponsored by the Drug Court Coalition of Jefferson County. It will be held on Saturday, August 5, 2017 from 8 am to 2 pm at the Central Christian Church in Mt. Vernon. At this summit, free legal services, family services, and back-to-school services will be provided. She is requesting permission to Close North Street from 10<sup>th</sup> to 11<sup>th</sup> for the summit. This request will be voted on later in the meeting.

**APPROVAL OF CONSOLIDATED VOUCHERS FOR ACCOUNTS PAYABLE**

City Manager Mary Ellen Bechtel presented the Consolidated Vouchers for approval. **Council Member Jeff May made a motion to approve the Consolidated Vouchers for Accounts Payable in the amount of \$1,635,884.02. Seconded by Council Member Mike Young. Yeas: May, Moore, Young, and Lewis. Absent: Rippey.**

**BIDS & QUOTES**

City Manager Mary Ellen Bechtel reported on the bid results for the HVAC and Electrical Improvements at City Hall. McCoy & Howard Consulting Engineers recommends that the City award the construction contract to Rend Lake Plumbing & Heating of Bonnie, IL for \$553,700. Nathan McKenna explained that the project includes upgrading City Hall's HVAC, electrical, and some plumbing. The City's estimate was \$625,000. J & R Mechanical was the apparent low bidder, but their bid was rejected because it did not meet the bid specifications. J & R chose to withdraw their bid.

McCOY AND HOWARD CONSULTING ENGINEERS, INC. 413 Main Street P.O. Box 681 Mt. Vernon, Illinois 62864		BID TABULATION Project: HVAC and Electrical Upgrade Mt. Vernon City Hall Mt. Vernon, Illinois Date: 6 JULY 2017 - 2:00pm Trade: All Work MH Project No. 1706		
CONTRACTOR	BID BOND	BASE BID	ADDENUM 1	Total
Clinton Electric, Inc. Jason Ina, IL	X	\$581,637	X	
J.F. Electric Inc. Mt. Vernon, IL		No Bid		
KT Electric Inc. Kevin Mt. Vernon, IL		No Bid		
Industrial Mechanical Contractors Canna Erbes Centrailla, IL		No Bid		
Premium Mech & Automation James A. Arn Jackson, MO		No Bid		
Rend Lake Plumbing & Heating Bonnie, IL	X	\$553,700	X	
J & R Appliances Mt. Vernon, IL	Check	\$310,500 *	X	Bid Incomplete. See recommendation letter.
Heartland Mechanical	X	\$569,300	X	
Quality Sheer Metal		No Bid		
SI Piping		No Bid		
Martin Electric, Inc. Marion, IL		No Bid		

**Council Member Donte Moore motioned to accept the bid from Rend Lake Plumbing & Heating of Bonnie, IL for \$553,700. Seconded by Council Member Jeff May. Yeas: May, Moore, Young, and Lewis. Absent: Rippey.**

City Manager Mary Ellen Bechtel reported on the bid results for the City Hall Roof Replacement project. Nathan McKenna stated that one bid from I. C. Enterprises, Inc. was received in the amount of \$188,577. The roofing material is a Duro-Last Roofing System with a 15-year warranty. This is the same roofing material placed on the armory. The City's estimate was \$195,000.

**Council Member Donte Moore motioned to accept the bid from I. C. Enterprises, Inc. in the amount of \$188,577 for the City Hall Roof Replacement project. Seconded by Council Member Mike Young. Yeas: May, Moore, Young, and Lewis. Absent: Rippey.**

City Manager Mary Ellen Bechtel reported on the bid results for the Richview Road Resurfacing Project. Two bids were received. Rooters American Maintenance of Beckemeyer, IL was the low bidder at \$413,409.18. The City's estimate was \$650,000. Council Member Donte Moore asked for the project's timeframe. City Engineer Brad Ruble reported that the project should be completed by November 15, 2017.

**Tabulation of Bids**

Project: **Richview Road Roadway Improvements**

County: Jefferson Date: July 12, 2017

Local Agency: City of Mt. Vernon Time: 10:00 AM

Section: NA Appropriation: \_\_\_\_\_

Estimate: \$485,395.50

Name of Bidder: Rooters American Maintenance Southern IL Asphalt Co. Inc.

Address of Bidder: DBA Rooters Asphalt 1003 Aspen St.  
380 Carter Street/ PO Box 175 Marion, IL 62969  
Beckemeyer, IL 62219

Proposal Guarantee: \_\_\_\_\_ Bid Bond \_\_\_\_\_

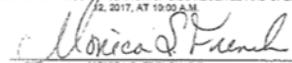
Terms: \_\_\_\_\_ Bid Bond \_\_\_\_\_

Approved Engineer's Estimate: \_\_\_\_\_

Attended By: Brad Ruble, Mt. Vernon, Monica S. French, Rhutasel & Associates, Inc.  
Jim VoPhail, Southern IL Asphalt Co., Inc.  
Jill Garcia, Rooters Asphalt

Item No.	Item	Unit	Quantity	Unit Price	Total	Unit Price	Total	Unit Price	Total
40600275	BITUMINOUS MATERIALS (PRIME COAT)	POUND	2,979	1.00	\$ 2,979.00	1.40	\$ 4,170.60	-	\$ -
40600290	BITUMINOUS MATERIALS (TACK COAT)	POUND	11,015	1.00	\$ 11,015.00	1.40	\$ 15,421.00	-	\$ -
40600400	MIXTURE FOR CRACKS, JOINTS, & FLANGWAYS	TON	5	180.00	\$ 900.00	981.00	\$ 4,905.00	-	\$ -
40600802	HOT-MIX ASPHALT SURFACE REMOVAL-BUTT JOINT	SQ YD	517	10.00	\$ 5,170.00	8.90	\$ 4,601.30	5.50	\$ 3,412.20
42600850	TEMPORARY RAMP	SQ YD	54	10.00	\$ 540.00	21.85	\$ 1,179.90	23.44	\$ 1,265.76
42603310	HOT-MIX ASPHALT, SURFACE COURSE, MIX C, N50	TON	2,741	90.00	\$ 246,690.00	84.75	\$ 232,299.75	82.12	\$ 225,090.92
42600050	INCIDENTAL HOT-MIX ASPHALT SURFACING	TON	84	120.00	\$ 10,080.00	336.67	\$ 28,280.28	257.15	\$ 21,600.60
44200157	HOT MIX ASPHALT SURFACE REMOVAL 2"	SQ YD	1,411	4.00	\$ 5,644.00	5.40	\$ 7,619.40	3.92	\$ 5,531.12
44201789	CLASS D PATCHES, TYPE II, 12 INCH	SQ YD	23	180.00	\$ 4,140.00	125.00	\$ 2,875.00	204.02	\$ 4,692.46
44201784	CLASS D PATCHES, TYPE III, 12 IN	SQ YD	73	180.00	\$ 13,140.00	103.65	\$ 7,566.45	204.02	\$ 14,809.46
44201796	CLASS D PATCHES, TYPE IV, 12 IN	SQ YD	347	180.00	\$ 62,460.00	86.10	\$ 29,878.70	150.26	\$ 52,147.16
48102100	AGGREGATE WEDGE SHOULDER, TYPE B	TON	248	30.00	\$ 7,440.00	58.45	\$ 14,495.60	22.31	\$ 5,532.86
52255600	MANHOLES TO BE ADJUSTED	EACH	2	300.00	\$ 600.00	400.00	\$ 800.00	161.25	\$ 322.50
60280100	INLETS TO BE ADJUSTED	EACH	3	300.00	\$ 900.00	500.00	\$ 1,500.00	161.25	\$ 483.75
60266600	VALVE BOXES TO BE ADJUSTED	EACH	4	300.00	\$ 1,200.00	100.00	\$ 400.00	63.75	\$ 215.00
67100100	MOBILIZATION	LSUM	1	13,000.00	\$ 13,000.00	3,000.00	\$ 3,000.00	49,244.22	\$ 49,244.22
70300100	SHORT TERM PAVEMENT MARKING	FOOT	862	2.00	\$ 1,724.00	0.50	\$ 445.00	2.59	\$ 2,310.28
70300150	SHORT TERM PAVEMENT MARKING REMOVAL	FOOT	257	5.00	\$ 1,285.00	1.00	\$ 297.00	-	\$ -
78000200	THERMOPLASTIC PAVEMENT MARKING LINE-4"	FOOT	22,203	1.00	\$ 22,203.00	0.66	\$ 14,653.98	0.66	\$ 14,653.98
78000400	THERMOPLASTIC PAVEMENT MARKING LINE-6"	FOOT	76	10.00	\$ 760.00	0.90	\$ 68.40	0.89	\$ 67.84
73000850	THERMOPLASTIC PAVEMENT MARKING LINE-24"	FOOT	24	15.00	\$ 360.00	4.30	\$ 103.20	-	\$ -
X0325405	FILL EXISTING STORM SEWERS	CU YD	3	300.00	\$ 900.00	715.00	\$ 2,145.00	2,030.66	\$ 6,091.98
X4401196	HOT MIX ASPHALT SURFACE REMOVAL VARIABLE DEPTH	SQ YD	21,337	1.50	\$ 32,005.50	1.26	\$ 26,884.82	2.01	\$ 42,887.37
X7C70216	TRAFFIC CONTROL AND PROTECTION (SPECIAL)	LSUM	1	40,000.00	\$ 40,000.00	9,820.00	\$ 9,820.00	10,571.66	\$ 10,571.66
				Total Bid:	As Read:	413,409.90	461,118.14	As Calculated:	\$ 413,409.18 \$ 461,118.14

I, MONICA S. FRENCH, ENGINEER FOR THE SAID PROJECT, DO HEREBY CERTIFY THAT THIS IS A TRUE AND CORRECT TABULATION OF BIDS RECEIVED AND OPENED ON JULY 12, 2017, AT 10:00 AM.

  
MONICA S. FRENCH, P.E.  
RHUTASEL & ASSOCIATES, INC.

\* Corrected (As read \$28,280.00)

Council Member Jeff May motioned to accept the low bid from Rooters American Maintenance of Beckemeyer, IL for \$413,409.18. Seconded by Council Member Mike Young. Yeas: May, Moore, Young, and Lewis. Absent: Rippy.

**CITY MANAGER**

City Manager Mary Ellen Bechtel introduced City Engineer Brad Ruble to give an update on the City's Capital Projects. Ruble updated the Council on the various City projects. Council Member Mike Young and Council Member Donte Moore questioned why Perkins Avenue is now planned for opening in August instead of July. Ruble stated that the crew is working on the widening of Route 37 South. This project is taking a long-time due to many unexpected issues. Ruble said that what remains is asphaltting, signs, and clean up. The crew has worked every day that they could but the work is going slow.

One project not listed on the report is the 20<sup>th</sup> Street sewer collapse. The documents are ready to submit to the railroad and the EPA for repair permits. At this point, Ruble said that he has not conducted a cost analysis but it may be ready next Tuesday. The estimated replacement sewer line will run around 200 feet and the boring will be 150 feet.

Mayor John Lewis asked about assisting the high school. City Manager Mary Ellen Bechtel replied that they are waiting on Round Table Design to identify the location of the line and work will begin when there is enough labor available.

GENERAL SUMMARY OF PROJECT STATUS – June 2017



**TRANSPORTATION**

Project	Cost	Work Phase	% Complete	Est. Compl. Date	Notes
N. 27 <sup>th</sup> / Old Union Rd.	2.0 M	Design(HMG) Construction(Baxmeyer)	100% 75%	Complete 2 <sup>nd</sup> Q 2017	Should be open this month
Perkins Avenue (10 <sup>th</sup> to 12 <sup>th</sup> )	1.2 M	Design(Horner/Shifrin) Construction(Baxmeyer)	100% 75%	Complete 2 <sup>nd</sup> Q 2017	Working on widening of Rte. 37 south.
Route 15 Overlay Broadway and Main	70 K City 1.7 M IDOT	Design Construction	IDOT 0%	Jan. 2017 Summer 2017	This is an IDOT project. Begins just east of Fairfield Rd. and extends to 15 <sup>th</sup> Street going both east bound and west bound. Project bids this month.
34 <sup>th</sup> St. Overlay The Grille to Gen Kota	400 K	Design(Rhutasel)	95% 0%	2 <sup>nd</sup> Q 2017 4 <sup>th</sup> Q 2017	Project has been changed to a complete rebuild.
Richview Road Overlay (12 <sup>th</sup> to 42 <sup>nd</sup> )	650K	Design(Rhutasel) Construction	95% 0%	2 <sup>nd</sup> Q 2017 4 <sup>th</sup> Q 2017	Awarded to Rooters Asphalt.
Lake Terrace NE Resurfacing	450K	Design(in house) Construction	100% 0%	Complete 4 <sup>th</sup> Q 2017	Awarded to Rooters Asphalt
Aquatic Zoo & Lincoln Park Parking	250K	Design (in house) Construction	100% 0%	Complete 4 <sup>th</sup> Q 2017	Project to begin soon.

**SAHITARY SEWER/STORM SEWER**

Project	Cost	Work Phase	% Complete	Est. Compl. Date	Notes
Lift Station 14 Force main Replacement	1.2 M	Design(HMG) Construction	95% 0%	Pending	HMG has design nearly complete. Awaiting funding approval to proceed.
Lift Station 14 Station Replacement	2.0 M	Design(N/A) Construction	50% 0%	Pending	Heneghan has begun engineering.
S. 28 <sup>th</sup> and Jones St. Sanitary Sewer	150 K	Design(RoundTable) Construction	100% 0%	2 <sup>nd</sup> Q 2017 3 <sup>rd</sup> Q 2017	Project awarded to J.K. Trotter to begin soon.
Last, Rufus, Peck St. Storm Sewer	175 K	Design(RoundTable) Construction	100% 0%	2 <sup>nd</sup> Q 2017 4 <sup>th</sup> Q 2017	Project awarded to Haier Plumbing
Brownsville/Iarlan Storm Sewer	250 K	Design(RoundTable) Construction	100% 0%	2 <sup>nd</sup> Q 2017 4 <sup>th</sup> Q 2017	Project awarded to Haier Plumbing.
Northbrook Dr.	55 K	Design(in house) Construction	100% 0%	Complete 3 <sup>rd</sup> Q 2017	KRB construction should be starting project soon.

Project	Cost	Work Phase	% Complete	Est. Compl. Date	Notes
Wiltshire Sidewalk (Richview to Old Union)	190 K	Design(Rhutasel) Construction	95% 0%	4 <sup>th</sup> Q 2015 3 <sup>rd</sup> Q 2017	Project is on hold.
*SRTS Marteeny Rd. and McCauley	450 K	Design(RoundTable) Const. (Not Selected)	100% 0%	2 <sup>nd</sup> Q 2016 4 <sup>th</sup> Q 2017	Looking at doing only the Marteeny section of the project.
Fire Station Concrete and Sidewalk	22 K	Design( In house) Construction	100% 0%	Complete 3 <sup>rd</sup> Q 2017	Project is nearly complete

**WATER**

Project	Cost	Work Phase	% Complete	Est. Compl. Date	Notes
N. 44th Street Water	150 K	Pending Construction	0% 0%		Looking at doing with a road project.

**INDUSTRIAL PARK INFRASTRUCTURE**

Project	Cost	Work Phase	% Complete	Est. Compl. Date	Notes
Roads	7.3 M all project	Design(HMG) Construction	95% 0%	3 <sup>rd</sup> Q 2016 4 <sup>th</sup> Q 2018	We have ability to do bidding and plan to open bids on August 16 <sup>th</sup> .
Water & Sewer	85K Tarp, 1.285M EDP, 3.25M EDA	Design(HMG) Construction	100% 0%	1 <sup>st</sup> Q 2016 4 <sup>th</sup> Q 2017	Gravity flow sewer is complete, water lines will be completed in a couple weeks, force main work remains.

City Manager Mary Ellen Bechtel requested permission to seek bids for the Chesley Industrial Park Road Project. Bechtel explained that this is a \$7 million project which includes improving 1,000 feet of Sparrow Lane from State Route 15, roadway through the Industrial Park, and improving the main entrance on Route 15. The City has received permission from the State of Illinois and Illinois Economic Development Grant (IEDG) to bid the project. After the bid is awarded, it will need approval from the State of Illinois and IEDG. The project is funded by the Illinois Department of Transportation (IDOT), IEDG, IDOT Truck Route Grant (TRAP), and an EDA Grant. The City's share is \$3.2 million for the water, sewer, and roadways. The funds will come from the 2012 Bonds.

**Council Member Donte Moore motioned to seek bids for the Chesley Industrial Park Road Projects. Seconded by Council Member Mike Young. Yeas: May, Moore, Young, and Lewis. Absent: Rippy.**

City Manager Mary Ellen Bechtel presented for consideration of the Preliminary and Final Plat for Jacinto's Resubdivision of Lot 3 in the First Interstate Commercial Subdivision, Part of Sam Casey's Subdivision of Park of the East ½ of Section 35, R2E, 3<sup>rd</sup> P.M. located at 4303 Broadway. The Planning and Zoning Commission approved this unanimously. Kyle from Round Table Design explained that this is the El Rancherito property and the restaurant owners recently purchased the building and surrounding area.

**Council Member Donte Moore motioned to grant Preliminary and Final Plat approval to Jacinto's Resubdivision at 4303 Broadway. Seconded by Council Member Jeff May. Yeas: May, Moore, Young, and Lewis. Absent: Rippy.**

City Manager Mary Ellen Bechtel presented for consideration of the Preliminary and Final Plat for Wheeler's Resubdivision of Part of Lots 1-3 in C.F. Holt's Subdivision of the Southwest ¼ of the Northwest ¼ of Section 36, T.2S, R.2E of the 3<sup>rd</sup> P.M. located at 17192 E. Liberty Road. The Planning and Zoning Commission approved this unanimously. Kyle from Round Table Design explained that this location was owned by the parents of four children, and they wish to resubdivide the lot into four sections. Presently, the property is zoned A-G; General Agriculture and later in the meeting there will be a request to rezone the property to R-1; Low Density Residential.

**Council Member Mike Young motioned to grant Preliminary and Final Plat approval for the Wheeler's Resubdivision at 17192 E. Liberty Road. Seconded by Council Member Donte Moore. Yeas: May, Moore, Young, and Lewis. Absent: Rippy.**

City Manager Mary Ellen Bechtel presented for Council's consideration a request to close 9<sup>th</sup> Street from Casey Avenue to Broadway and from Harrison Street to Main Street on August 18<sup>th</sup> and 19<sup>th</sup> for the "Ash Bash Art and Music Festival". Lori and Joe Ilbery explained that this is the 6<sup>th</sup> year for Ash Bash and the Tourism Department invited them to hold this festival in conjunction with the Totality Festival. Ash Bash is a fund-raising event to support Washington University's Lymphoma-Leukemia cancer research and patient care fund to support families with medical expenses. The festival will be held from 2 p.m. to 11 p.m. on Saturday, August 19<sup>th</sup>. Setup will be on Friday, August 18<sup>th</sup>. Adjacent property and business owners signed the Street Closing Permit supporting the closing of the streets.

**Council Member Donte Moore motioned to approve the request to close 9<sup>th</sup> Street from Casey Avenue to Broadway and from Harrison Street to Main Street on August 18<sup>th</sup> and 19<sup>th</sup> for the "Ash Bash Art and Music Festival". Seconded by Council Member Jeff May. Yeas: May, Moore, Young, and Lewis. Absent: Rippy.**

City Manager Mary Ellen Bechtel presented for Council's consideration a request to close North Street from 10<sup>th</sup> Street to 11<sup>th</sup> Street from 7 am to 3 pm on Saturday, August 5<sup>th</sup> for the "A Hand Up Summit". Rose Streator and Brenda Torrez spoke on behalf of the "A Hand Up Summit" sponsored by the Drug Court Coalition of Jefferson County. It will be held on Saturday, August 5, 2017 from 8 am to 2 pm at the Central Christian Church in Mt. Vernon. At this summit, free legal services, family services, and back-to-school services will be provided.

**Council Member Jeff May motioned to approve the request to close North Street from 10<sup>th</sup> Street to 11<sup>th</sup> Street from 7 am to 3 pm on Saturday, August 5<sup>th</sup> for the "A Hand Up Summit". Seconded by Council Member Mike Young. Yeas: May, Moore, Young, and Lewis. Absent: Rippy.**

City Manager Mary Ellen Bechtel presented for Council's consideration a request to enter into an Agreement with Azavar Government Solutions for an audit of Local Government Revenues. Bechtel explained that Azavar would audit Local Government Revenues to see if the City is receiving the correct revenue for utilities and other taxes. There is no cost to the City unless Azavar finds new revenue that has not been remitted properly. Then the City and Azavar will split the revenue 60% to the City and 40% to Azavar for two years. Travis Akin, sales consultant with Azavar, explained that the company performs a review of the City's tax receipts with proprietary software to identify all the City's tax sources and tracks lost revenue. Akin said that there are no upfront costs and they assume all the risks. Council Member Jeff May said that some issues with this type of agreement is validation work by the City staff for the first three years and if the providers will give access to the records. Akin stated that the only thing that Azavar cannot collect for the City is sales tax revenue. The program is designed to make it as easy as possible for the City staff. May asked if there is reason to believe that the City needs these services. City Manager Mary Ellen Bechtel said that the City can choose what areas to be audited

however, there is no additional cost to audit all areas. Bechtel explained that Retail Sales Tax is proprietary and any work in this area needs to be done in-house. Akin stated Azavar would provide a list of businesses that should be paying sales tax to the in-house person to compare with the receipts. Mayor John Lewis stated that Finance Director Merle Hollmann saw no negatives with this agreement.

**Council Member Donte Moore motioned to enter into an Agreement with Azavar Government Solutions for an audit of Local Government Revenues. Seconded by Council Member Mike Young. Yeas: May, Moore, Young, and Lewis. Absent: Rippy.**

#### CITY ATTORNEY

City Attorney David Leggans presented for Council's reconsideration of a Second Reading of an Ordinance Amending Article 6, Section 6.9, Number of Liquor Licenses creating a Restaurant License for Funblasters. Council Member Donte Moore stated that the City is not here to legislate morality, but here to see that businesses have a chance to compete. Mayor John Lewis asked if there was any public comment. No comments were heard. Lewis restated the it is not up to him to tell a business how to run their business.

**Council Member Donte Moore motioned to reconsider the Ordinance Amending Article 6, Section 6.9, Number of Liquor Licenses creating a Restaurant License for Funblasters. Seconded by Council Member Mike Young. Yeas: May, Moore, Young, and Lewis. Absent: Rippy.**

**Council Member Donte Moore motioned to approve the Ordinance #2017-30, Amending Article 6, Section 6.9, Number of Liquor Licenses creating a Restaurant License for Funblasters. Seconded by Council Member Mike Young. Yeas: May, Moore, Young, and Lewis. Absent: Rippy.**

City Attorney David Leggans presented for Council's consideration a second reading of an Ordinance Prohibiting Parking of Motor Vehicles on Harlan Road. City Manager Mary Ellen Bechtel explained that "No Parking Signs" have been installed for a long time and they have been disregarded by significant numbers of the motoring public. This Ordinance establishes that parking on Harlan Road and adjacent to Harlan Road creates a traffic hazard, obstructs the normal movement of traffic and the movement of emergency vehicles, and creates conditions injurious to health, safety, and welfare of the public. A violation of the prohibition against Harlan Road or adjacent to Harlan Road shall be subject to issuance of a citation and imposition of a fine for prohibited parking, and shall subject the motor vehicle to towing without notice. The area includes the entire Harlan Road, not just the area by Lincoln Park. Bechtel stated that other measures to provide safety have been implemented such as pedestrian crosswalks on 34<sup>th</sup> Street and additional fencing. Council Member Donte Moore stated that after the resurfacing of the parking lots, parking spaces will increase. Plus, cars can be parked on the lots next to the soccer fields.

**Council Member Donte Moore motioned to approve Ordinance #2017-31, an Ordinance Prohibiting Parking of Motor Vehicles on Harlan Road. Seconded by Council Member Mike Young. Yeas: May, Moore, Young, and Lewis. Absent: Rippy.**

City Attorney David Leggans presented for Council's consideration an Ordinance Rezoning Property at 17192 E. Liberty Road having PIN 07-36-151-018 from A-G; General Agriculture to R-1; Low Density Residential. The petitioning party is Carla Donoho. The property was subdivided into four lots for residential purposes. The Planning and Zoning Commission approved this unanimously.

**Council Member Jeff May motioned to approve Ordinance #2017-32, an Ordinance Rezoning Property at 17192 E. Liberty Road having PIN 07-36-151-018 from A-G; General Agriculture to R-1; Low Density Residential. Seconded by Council Member Mike Young. Yeas: May, Moore, Young, and Lewis. Absent: Rippy.**

## MAYOR

Mayor John Lewis presented to the Council the appointment of Marty Cox to the Mt. Vernon Airport Authority Board. Cox would replace Joe Bob Pierce who served on the Board since 2009.

**Council Member Donte Moore motioned to approve the appointment of Marty Cox to the Mt. Vernon Airport Authority Board. Seconded by Council Member Mike Young. Yeas: May, Moore, Young, and Lewis. Absent: Rippy.**

Mayor John Lewis reported on the emergency sewer main collapse on 20<sup>th</sup> Street. He stated that the sewer bypass was successful and complete. Clean up continues in the area. The documents are ready to submit to the railroad and the EPA for repair permits. Lewis was impressed by the work of the City employees.

## CITY COUNCIL

Council Member Donte Moore reminded everyone of the Community Watch Meeting scheduled for Monday, July 24<sup>th</sup> at 6 p.m. in the Rolland W. Lewis Community Building. The entire community is welcome to attend.

## VISITORS/CITIZENS REQUESTS/ADDRESSES FROM THE AUDIENCE

Luther Torrez spoke on a "Superheroes Night to Fly" event where special needs people and their caregivers will be served. He invited the Council to attend this event on Saturday, July 29 from 5 p.m. to 8 p.m. This event will provide fun activities for the special needs people and a break for their caregivers.

Luther Torrez invited the Council to attend the monthly men's prayer breakfast. Any man, old or young, can come to pray for our community leaders, law enforcement, first responders, military, etc.

## EXECUTIVE SESSION

No Executive Session was held.

## ADJOURNMENT

**Council Member Mike Young made a motion to adjourn. Seconded by Council Member Donte Moore. Yeas: May, Moore, Young, and Lewis. Absent: Rippy.**

The meeting was adjourned at 8:15 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,



Mary Jo Pemberton  
City Clerk