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**CITY OF MT. VERNON, ILLINOIS
REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING
Tuesday, February 17, 2015
7:00 P.M.**

MINUTES

The Mt. Vernon City Council held a Regular City Council Meeting on Tuesday, February 17, 2015 at 7:00 p.m. at the Rolland W. Lewis Community Building, Veterans Park, 800 South 27th Street, Mt. Vernon, IL.

The invocation was given by Sue Cunningham of the Jefferson County Ministerial Association.

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

ROLL CALL

Roll call showed present: Council Members Todd Piper, David Wood and Mayor Mary Jane Chesley. Council Members Ron Lash and Dennis McEnaney were absent.

PRESENTATION OF JOURNALS

The Journals for the February 2, 2015 Regular City Council Meeting and the February 3, 2015 City Council Special Meeting were presented to Council for any additions, deletions or corrections. **Council Member Piper made a motion to approve the Journals as presented. Seconded by Council Member Wood. Yeas: Piper, Wood and Chesley. Absent: Lash and McEnaney.**

APPROVAL OF CONSOLIDATED VOUCHERS FOR ACCOUNTS PAYABLE

The Consolidated Vouchers for Accounts Payable were presented to Council for approval.

Council Member Wood made a motion to approve the Consolidated Vouchers for Accounts Payable in the amount of \$934,216.17. Seconded by Council Member Piper. Yeas: Piper, Wood and Chesley. Absent: Lash and McEnaney.

BIDS & QUOTES

City Manager Neibert requested tabling the Bid Results for the Demolition of 6 Residential Properties until the next meeting. The Council agreed and the item was tabled.

City Manager Neibert presented the Bid Results for the 42nd Street Roadway Project. A total of seven bids were received for the project. The low bid was in the amount of \$3,282,777.77 from Baxmeyer Construction, Inc.

	JOB NAME: North 42nd Street Reconstruction
	SECTION: N/A
	OWNER: City of Mt. Vernon
	BID OPENING: Feb 11th, 2015 @ 10:00 a.m.
	HMG JOB NO: 6786

BID TABULATION - North 42nd Street Reconstruction							
ENGINEER'S ESTIMATE	BAXMEYER CONSTRUCTION, INC. 1034 Florville Road Waterloo, IL 62298 LOW BIDDER	SEIRRA BRAVO CONTRACTORS, INC. P.O. Box 130 Sesser, IL 62854	DMS CONTRACTING, INC P.O. Box 122 Macouhah, IL 62256	SHORES BUILDERS, INC 1164 Schwartz Road Centralia, IL 62801	HAIER PLUMBING AND HEATING, INC P.O. Box 400 Okauchie, IL 62271		
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TOTAL BID (AS READ)	\$4,120,735.50	\$3,282,777.77	\$3,319,512.36	\$3,520,034.33	\$3,710,183.87	\$3,714,245.27	
TOTAL BID (AS CORRECTED)			\$3,319,174.78			\$3,715,687.32	
ENGINEER'S ESTIMATE	BAXMEYER	SEIRRA BRAVO	DMS	SHORES	HAIER		

BID TABULATION - North 42nd Street Reconstruction						
ENGINEER'S ESTIMATE	GUINZY CONSTRUCTION, INC. PO Box 380 Ashley, IL 62808	KIEFFER BROTHERS CONSTRUCTION CO. INC. 633 West 3rd Street Mt. Carmel, IL 62863				
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TOTAL BID (AS READ)	\$4,120,735.50	\$4,041,197.27	\$4,088,200.00			
TOTAL BID (AS CORRECTED)						
ENGINEER'S ESTIMATE	GUINZY	KIEFFER BROTHERS				

Council Member Wood made a motion to approve the Bid Results for the 42nd Street Roadway Project. Seconded by Council Member Piper. Yeas: Piper, Wood and Chesley. Absent: Lash and McEnaney.

City Manager Neibert presented the Bid Results for Lincoln Park Improvements. A low bid of \$1,299,900.00 was received from Fager-McGee Company.

Parks and Recreations Director, George Bryant, spoke regarding the project including the grant awarded them by The Illinois Department of Conservation in the amount of approximately \$400,000.00 to use towards the project.

BID TABULATION

ATTACHMENT A
 Planning Design Studio

BID OPENING

Date: February 9, 2015 – 1:00 pm
 Project: Lincoln Park-Phase 1 East Development
 Location: City Clerk's Office - City Hall – Room 100

BIDDER	Addendum Received	BASE BID	ALT 1 Outfield Fence	ALT 2 TC BVC	ALT 3 Extend TC Light Warranty	ALT 4 SB Conduit	ALT 5 RR Foundation	ALT 6 Dugout Structures	Bid Bond	Non-Col Refer Debarment Steps
Guinzy Construction	√	\$ 1,897,954.83	\$ 31,519.52	\$ -	\$ 7,259.22	\$ 15,123.37	\$ 11,817.00	\$ 35,239.64	√	
Shores Builders	√	\$ 1,368,000.00	\$ 25,700.00	\$ -	\$ 6,420.00	\$ 9,100.00	\$ 6,420.00	\$ 44,725.00	√	
Sierra Bravo	√	\$ 1,990,915.00	\$ 30,000.00	\$ 20,000.00	\$ 6,720.00	\$ 14,000.00	\$ 13,800.00	\$ 71,050.00	√	
Evrard-Strang	√	\$ 1,284,777.00	\$ 27,000.00	\$ -	\$ 6,500.00	\$ 9,000.00	\$ 86,000.00	\$ 48,400.00	√	
Gelly Construction	NO	\$ 1,644,748.00	\$ 25,911.00	\$ (3,986.00)	\$ 7,128.00	\$ 22,324.00	\$ 6,061.00	\$ 27,401.00	√	
Fager-Mcgee	√	\$ 1,268,000.00	\$ 18,500.00	\$ (3,400.00)	\$ 7,000.00	\$ 9,800.00	\$ 8,600.00	\$ 89,000.00	√	

Any questions regarding this project must be submitted in writing via e-mail to the following e-mail address: lincolnparkphase1@mvr.net

Council Member Piper made a motion to approve the Bid Results for the Lincoln Park Improvements. Seconded by Council Member Wood. Yeas: Piper, Wood and Chesley. Absent: Lash and McEnaney.

CITY MANAGER

No business to discuss.

CITY ATTORNEY

City Attorney David Leggans presented for Council's consideration an Ordinance Rezoning Property Located at 212 S 20th Street from Zoning Classification B-2 to R-2. Petitioning Party: Lynn A. Allen-Cobin. The reason for the rezoning was to correct a past zoning error in order to ease the sale process of the property. Lynn Allen-Cobin was present.

Council Member Wood made a motion to approve Ordinance #2015-2 Rezoning Property Located at 212 S. 20th Street from Zoning Classification B-2 to R-2. Seconded by Council Member Piper. Yeas: Piper, Wood and Chesley. Absent: Lash and McEnaney

City Attorney Leggans presented for Council's consideration an Ordinance Rezoning Property Located at 11322 State Route 148 from Zoning Classification A-G to B-2. Petitioning Party: REC Investment, LLC. They were wishing to expand their operation however the Ag District did not allow their use under the permitted or conditional uses so they were requesting rezoning to allow the expansion.

Robert Zelasko of Erb Equipment stepped forward and stated they needed more shop space. They had more employees than they had building and were wanting to expand to the north by 80 feet and add six additional bays along with remodeling the inside to keep up with John Deere standards.

Council Member Piper made a motion to approve Ordinance #2015-3 Rezoning Property Located at 11322 State Route 148 from Zoning Classification A-G to B-2. Seconded by Council Member Wood. Yeas: Piper, Wood and Chesley. Absent: Lash and McEnaney

City Attorney Leggans presented for Council's consideration an Ordinance Rezoning Property Located at 12585 N. Sparrow Lane from I-A to B-2. Petitioning Party: R. P. Lumber. The petitioner was wishing to add a storage structure to the facility. The current zoning classification did not allow the expansion nor the storage facility so they were requesting rezoning to allow those uses. The following ordinance was similar and allowed the conditional use for the storage units as part of the application.

Mark Lindsay representing R. P. Lumber stepped forward and stated they were wanting to build an additional storage warehouse primarily for shingles and were looking at the possibility of self-storage down the road just west of where the existing development was.

Council Member Wood made a motion to approve Ordinance #2015-4 Rezoning Property Located at 12585 N. Sparrow Lane from I-A to B-2. Seconded by Council Member Piper. Yeas: Piper, Wood and Chesley. Absent: Lash and McEnaney

City Attorney Leggans presented for Council's consideration an Ordinance Granting a Conditional Use for a Lumber Yard and Self-storage at 12585 N. Sparrow Lane. Petitioning Party: R. P. Lumber.

Council Member Wood made a motion to approve Ordinance #2015-5 Granting a Conditional Use for a Lumber Yard and Self-storage at 12585 N Sparrow Lane. Seconded by Council Member Piper. Yeas: Piper, Wood and Chesley. Absent: Lash and McEnaney

MAYOR

Mayor Chesley provided information to the public concerning Market Days noting that if interested to please contact Bonnie Jerdon or Rachel Hunsell at the Tourism Bureau where applications were available.

CITY COUNCIL

Council Member Piper congratulated Parks and Recreation Director, George Bryant, and the park staff on the job well done regarding the \$76k profit the Aquatic Zoo brought in over the past year.

PUBLIC QUESTION/DISCUSSION REGARDING PROPOSED WATER SALE

Members of Illinois American Water were present to address questions and concerns from the public. Those members included: Barry Suits; Vice President of Operations, Ken Jones; Vice President of the Legal Department and Rich (inaudible); Manager of rates.

The following individuals addressed their concerns regarding the proposed sale of the city's water system.

Stephen Casper was opposed to the City selling the water system to a private company.

John Scrivner at 1100 N 11th Street in Mt. Vernon would like to see the City take some more time to think about and talk about the sale of the water system before moving forward.

Michael Bullard at 106 Woodworth Drive in Bluford, IL. stepped forward on behalf of the Village of Bluford and the surrounding villages expressing his concern that they were not informed of the sale of the water system and he was opposed to selling to a private company. A written request for the immediate termination, for a period of 12 months, of all water contracts, letters of intent, obligations or commitments, adoptions or ordinances and actions to make such a sale to Illinois American Water was presented to the Council on behalf of the surrounding villages. In addition, they requested a written response to the respective officials on or before February 23, 2015.

Dan Black at #7 Sunset in Mt. Vernon came forward with questions regarding the prospective sale.

Steven Zelman at 416 N 12th Street in Mt. Vernon stepped forward with questions and was opposed to the sale of the water system.

James Rippy at #3 Bristol Court in Mt. Vernon came forward and expressed his concerns.

Nicholas Lemay at 1716 Isabella Avenue in Mt. Vernon would like the City to place the item before the voters.

Horton Petties at 609 Perkins in Mt. Vernon expressed his concern regarding the City's Public Utility employees being offered jobs with Illinois American Water.

David Lister at 1715 Oakland Avenue in Mt. Vernon stepped forward with questions and was opposed to the sale of the City's water system.

VISITORS/CITIZEN REQUESTS/ADDRESSES FROM THE AUDIENCE

No comments from the audience.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Council Member Wood made a motion to go into Executive Session for the purpose of the Sale of Real Estate. Seconded by Council Member Piper. Yeas: Piper, Wood and Chesley. Absent: Lash and McEnaney

ADJOURNMENT

Council Member Wood made a motion to adjourn. Seconded by Council Member Piper. Yeas: Piper, Wood and Chesley. Absent: Lash and McEnaney

The meeting was adjourned at 9:07 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Jerilee Hopkins
City Clerk