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**CITY OF MT. VERNON, ILLINOIS
CITY COUNCIL WORKSHOP MEETING
Monday, March 23, 2015**

The Mt. Vernon City Council met in a Workshop Meeting on Monday, March 23, 2015 at 3:00 p.m. at the City Hall, 1100 Main Street, old Council Chambers, 2nd Floor, Mt. Vernon, IL.

Mayor Mary Jane Chesley called the meeting to order.

Roll call showed present: Council Members Ron Lash, Dennis McEnaney and Mayor Mary Jane Chesley. Council Members Todd Piper and David Wood were absent. Also present were City Manager Ron Neibert, City Finance Director Merle Hollmann, and City Clerk Jerilee Hopkins.

QUARTERLY BUDGET REVIEW

**CITY OF MT. VERNON, ILLINOIS
3RD QUARTER BUDGET REVIEW
AS OF January 31, 2015**

3/20/2015

Description	General Corporate Fund	Comments	Public Utilities Fund	Comments
Operating Cash Balance @ 4/30/14	\$ 3,002,290		\$ 242,385	
Operating Cash Balance @ 7/31/14	\$ 2,966,844	Extra payroll in May lowered cash by \$150,000	\$ 150,773	Extra payroll in May lowered cash by \$20,000
Operating Cash Balance @ 10/31/14	\$ 2,926,647	Extra payroll in October lowered cash by \$150,000	\$ 381,933	Extra payroll in October lowered cash by \$20,000
Operating Cash Balance @ 1/31/2015	\$ 2,669,081		\$ 345,068	
Operating Working Fund Balance @ 4/30/14	\$ 3,804,556	Projected to be \$3,568,290	\$ 466,167	Projected to be \$484,546
Operating Working Fund Balance @ 7/31/14	\$ 3,619,321		\$ 416,212	
Operating Working Fund Balance @ 10/31/14	\$ 3,772,069		\$ 578,260	
Operating Working Fund Balance @ 1/31/2015	\$ 3,762,069	Required by Policy \$1,482,988	\$ 623,451	Required by Policy \$585,028
Actual Revenues as % of Budget	78.9%		74.7%	
Actual Expenditures as % of Budget	71.7%		72.8%	
Originally Budgeted Operating Surplus(Deficit) FY 2014-2015	\$ (630,438)		\$ 44,287	
Originally Budgeted Transfer to Capital Projects	\$ (339,362)		\$ -	
Originally Budgeted Transfer to Sanitation Fund	\$ (91,400)		\$ -	
Transfer to Quality of Life Fund for Demolition of Town Homes	\$ (99,000)		\$ -	
Total Originally Budgeted Operating Deficit	\$ (1,160,200)		\$ 44,287	
Actual Operating Surplus (Deficit) after 3rd quarter	\$ 487,275		\$ 157,284	
Budgeted Transfer to Capital Projects	\$ (339,362)		\$ -	
Budgeted Transfer to Sanitation Fund	\$ (91,400)		\$ -	
Transfer to Quality of Life Fund for Demolition of Town Homes	\$ (99,000)		\$ -	
Total Operating Deficit	\$ (42,487)		\$ 157,284	

City Manager Ron Neibert reported that pursuant to the City's fiscal policy, the minimum operating working fund balance should be at \$1,482,988. Presently the fund balance is at \$1,372,069 which is \$2.3 million above the City's minimum working fund balance requirement.

Based on our budget, the City is at 78.9% of projected revenues which means that revenues are coming in much better than anticipated. Expenditures are at 71.7% indicating that consistent management of the City's liability insurance coverage is paying off. In addition, the department heads are working to keep their expenditures to a minimum.

The original budgeted operating surplus (deficit) was projected at \$(630,438) but the actual operating surplus (deficit) after the third quarter is \$487,275 or about a \$1 million turnaround.

The original budgeted public utilities operating surplus (deficit) was projected at \$44,287 and the actual surplus is \$157,284.

**CITY OF MT. VERNON, IL
MULTI-YEAR COMPARISON OF 1% SALES TAX**

LIABILITY MONTH	MONTH RECEIVED	FY 2007-2008	FY 2008-2009	FY 2009-2010	FY 2010-2011	FY 2011-2012	FY 2012-2013	FY 2013-2014	FY 2014-2015	MONTHLY PERCENTAGE COMPARISON OF MOST RECENT YR TO PREVIOUS YEAR
APRIL	JULY	\$438,632.50	\$407,794.29	\$418,967.94	\$403,299.10	\$438,054.71	\$413,345.85	\$417,313.89	\$446,544.55	7.0%
MAY	AUGUST	\$437,823.02	\$417,753.35	\$428,603.92	\$434,046.32	\$425,073.52	\$462,490.66	\$451,599.76	\$462,605.32	2.4%
JUNE	SEPTEMBER	\$438,349.79	\$437,964.93	\$435,429.82	\$473,792.37	\$471,145.49	\$450,682.91	\$449,115.95	\$471,678.09	5.0%
JULY	OCTOBER	\$415,210.14	\$408,698.43	\$400,426.58	\$433,021.47	\$475,730.14	\$431,115.53	\$439,482.29	\$468,015.09	6.5%
AUGUST	NOVEMBER	\$391,587.50	\$400,432.01	\$406,111.58	\$422,792.11	\$440,940.37	\$431,643.75	\$427,230.95	\$463,591.46	8.5%
SEPTEMBER	DECEMBER	\$404,666.14	\$417,077.49	\$390,092.87	\$422,938.76	\$430,482.03	\$424,995.71	\$423,086.66	\$455,783.48	7.7%
OCTOBER	JANUARY	\$365,561.57	\$361,403.50	\$392,603.66	\$403,217.32	\$423,053.79	\$403,469.31	\$411,730.30	\$439,598.77	6.8%
NOVEMBER	FEBRUARY	\$394,892.50	\$379,219.69	\$391,284.53	\$388,891.92	\$482,427.64	\$434,126.45	\$429,370.49	\$449,715.77	4.7%
DECEMBER	MARCH	\$481,086.33	\$473,037.77	\$521,162.57	\$528,918.62	\$578,423.02	\$527,102.34	\$516,248.25	\$554,323.37	7.4%
JANUARY	APRIL	\$356,690.15	\$328,298.84	\$360,605.42	\$367,556.57	\$402,637.47	\$393,061.21	\$376,020.98	\$0.00	-100.0%
FEBRUARY	MAY	\$349,526.38	\$351,788.39	\$389,515.00	\$408,084.47	\$432,826.88	\$391,809.94	\$409,135.29	\$0.00	-100.0%
MARCH	JUNE	\$419,798.42	\$396,569.80	\$415,972.00	\$444,939.91	\$486,526.94	\$431,162.08	\$460,339.39	\$0.00	-100.0%
ANNUAL TOTALS		\$4,893,824.44	\$4,780,038.49	\$4,950,775.89	\$5,131,498.94	\$5,487,322.00	\$5,195,005.74	\$5,210,674.20	\$4,211,855.90	
% INCREASE/(DECREASE) OVER PREVIOUS YEAR			-2.3%	3.6%	3.7%	6.9%	-5.3%	0.3%		
YEAR-TO-DATE AMOUNTS								\$3,965,178.54	\$4,211,855.90	
% INCREASE/(DECREASE) OVER PREVIOUS YEAR-TO-DATE									6.2%	
% INCREASE/(DECREASE) OVER CURRENT YEAR-TO-DATE BUDGET										7.0%

Neibert reported at the end of the last fiscal year the balance of the 1% sales tax was \$3,965,178 and the present balance is \$4,211,855 which reflects a 6.2% increase in retail sales for the year and 7% over the anticipated budget amount.

**CITY OF MT. VERNON, IL
MULTI-YEAR COMPARISON OF 1% HOME RULE SALES TAX**

LIABILITY MONTH	MONTH RECEIVED	FY 2007-2008	FY 2008-2009	FY 2009-2010	FY 2010-2011	FY 2011-2012	FY 2012-2013	FY 2013-2014	FY 2014-2015	MONTHLY PERCENTAGE COMPARISON OF MOST RECENT YR TO PREVIOUS YEAR
APRIL	JULY	\$297,006.70	\$275,753.11	\$266,099.80	\$301,146.94	\$315,948.25	\$301,330.71	\$290,518.85	\$303,214.02	4.4%
MAY	AUGUST	\$312,168.52	\$296,874.22	\$297,474.87	\$302,600.21	\$313,862.01	\$320,847.45	\$316,153.60	\$318,543.12	0.8%
JUNE	SEPTEMBER	\$295,592.70	\$314,824.22	\$309,316.91	\$318,679.07	\$330,904.19	\$321,667.13	\$317,664.36	\$327,368.99	3.1%
JULY	OCTOBER	\$278,212.22	\$287,489.38	\$277,586.84	\$303,422.24	\$313,659.63	\$294,773.90	\$299,893.82	\$308,231.89	2.8%
AUGUST	NOVEMBER	\$268,153.24	\$270,784.81	\$279,518.79	\$297,739.31	\$309,213.30	\$301,317.68	\$292,853.90	\$303,530.00	3.6%
SEPTEMBER	DECEMBER	\$278,745.89	\$284,427.11	\$279,605.67	\$316,875.03	\$302,637.83	\$306,524.18	\$295,054.52	\$301,555.73	2.2%
OCTOBER	JANUARY	\$254,649.67	\$258,565.22	\$293,164.49	\$272,788.62	\$296,529.37	\$280,437.17	\$281,033.82	\$300,200.89	6.8%
NOVEMBER	FEBRUARY	\$284,400.15	\$261,073.92	\$283,192.14	\$297,492.65	\$306,433.22	\$305,744.52	\$302,881.22	\$306,622.74	1.2%
DECEMBER	MARCH	\$341,627.86	\$335,098.58	\$386,348.58	\$379,094.14	\$414,084.63	\$376,032.51	\$359,300.40	\$375,241.65	4.4%
JANUARY	APRIL	\$236,642.22	\$215,207.54	\$245,779.54	\$244,906.39	\$275,478.80	\$260,799.71	\$259,218.08	\$0.00	-100.0%
FEBRUARY	MAY	\$235,609.28	\$227,547.61	\$269,925.78	\$261,457.66	\$297,324.87	\$270,192.20	\$269,820.24	\$0.00	-100.0%
MARCH	JUNE	\$287,445.05	\$281,697.64	\$309,470.36	\$321,441.71	\$341,993.90	\$308,803.26	\$317,723.46	\$0.00	-100.0%
ANNUAL TOTALS		\$3,370,253.50	\$3,309,343.36	\$3,497,483.77	\$3,617,643.97	\$3,818,070.00	\$3,648,470.42	\$3,602,116.27	\$2,844,509.03	
% INCREASE/(DECREASE) OVER PREVIOUS YEAR			-1.8%	5.7%	3.4%	5.5%	-4.4%	-1.3%		
YEAR-TO-DATE AMOUNTS								\$2,755,354.49	\$2,844,509.03	
% INCREASE/(DECREASE) OVER PREVIOUS YEAR-TO-DATE									3.2%	
% INCREASE/(DECREASE) OVER CURRENT YEAR-TO-DATE BUDGET									3.9%	

Neibert reported a 3.2% increase in the 1% home rule sales tax for the year and 3.9% over the anticipated budget amount.

**CITY OF MT. VERNON, IL
MULTI-YEAR COMPARISON OF STATE INCOME TAX**

LIABILITY MONTH	MONTH NORMALLY RECEIVED	FY 2007-2008	FY 2008-2009	FY 2009-2010	FY 2010-2011	FY 2011-2012	FY 2012-2013	FY 2013-2014	FY 2014-2015	MONTHLY PERCENTAGE COMPARISON OF MOST RECENT YR TO PREVIOUS YEAR
MAY	JUNE	\$135,791.44	\$132,441.18	\$105,801.91	\$85,731.11	\$91,194.53	\$100,923.46	\$88,556.52	\$86,004.56	-2.9%
JUNE	JULY	\$134,455.49	\$146,614.36	\$115,195.26	\$120,486.27	\$118,137.36	\$129,600.09	\$135,629.35	\$142,340.26	4.9%
JULY	AUGUST	\$80,706.45	\$85,489.27	\$78,414.98	\$78,991.23	\$81,274.76	\$81,325.49	\$84,266.52	\$83,035.22	-1.5%
AUGUST	SEPTEMBER	\$82,786.63	\$82,191.89	\$74,873.29	\$81,008.07	\$78,230.17	\$80,668.15	\$82,208.52	\$81,199.62	-1.2%
SEPTEMBER	OCTOBER	\$141,043.05	\$146,184.36	\$115,377.48	\$117,736.10	\$124,252.62	\$127,018.33	\$143,426.11	\$144,884.06	1.0%
OCTOBER	NOVEMBER	\$90,655.69	\$91,299.79	\$86,929.99	\$88,606.87	\$79,131.47	\$95,975.85	\$94,960.68	\$97,679.95	2.9%
NOVEMBER	DECEMBER	\$82,614.41	\$71,115.00	\$68,332.20	\$97,994.34	\$74,505.64	\$79,205.29	\$75,796.33	\$73,449.17	-3.1%
DECEMBER	JANUARY	\$121,894.77	\$120,088.84	\$120,113.55	\$111,720.59	\$110,695.55	\$122,776.91	\$140,362.22	\$124,447.23	-11.3%
JANUARY	FEBRUARY	\$180,126.77	\$150,993.48	\$127,300.04	\$138,061.74	\$127,626.00	\$144,932.41	\$148,960.15	\$185,675.95	24.6%
FEBRUARY	MARCH	\$96,167.28	\$81,833.38	\$78,769.09	\$68,859.84	\$85,146.93	\$81,268.69	\$85,079.83	\$81,000.64	-4.8%
MARCH	APRIL	\$138,804.26	\$126,335.83	\$122,886.82	\$118,461.84	\$132,205.69	\$141,117.32	\$148,780.08	\$0.00	-100.0%
APRIL	MAY	\$247,759.51	\$198,151.03	\$160,781.69	\$151,351.48	\$191,959.11	\$260,658.72	\$230,903.16	\$0.00	-100.0%
ANNUAL TOTALS		\$1,532,805.75	\$1,432,738.41	\$1,254,776.30	\$1,259,009.48	\$1,294,359.83	\$1,445,470.71	\$1,458,929.47	\$1,099,716.66	
% INCREASE/(DECREASE) OVER PREVIOUS YEAR			-6.5%	-12.4%	0.3%	2.8%	11.7%	0.9%		
YEAR-TO-DATE AMOUNTS								\$1,079,246.23	\$1,099,716.66	
% INCREASE/(DECREASE) OVER PREVIOUS YEAR-TO-DATE									1.9%	
% INCREASE/(DECREASE) OVER CURRENT YEAR-TO-DATE BUDGET									-1.1%	

Neibert noted a 1.9% increase in the state income tax for the year and -1.1% under the anticipated budget amount. This is the fund that the Governor has proposed to reduce by one-half or about \$750,000 for the City of Mt. Vernon.

**CITY OF MT. VERNON, IL
MULTI-YEAR COMPARISON OF 1% FOOD & BEVERAGE TAX**

LIABILITY MONTH	MONTH RECEIVED	FY 2008-2009	FY 2009-2010	FY 2010-2011	FY 2011-2012	FY 2012-2013	FY 2013-2014	FY 2014-2015	MONTHLY PERCENTAGE COMPARISON OF MOST RECENT YR TO PREVIOUS YEAR
MAY	JUNE	\$0.00	\$52,173.48	\$51,984.89	\$53,431.26	\$55,941.74	\$55,016.59	\$59,449.66	8.1%
JUNE	JULY	\$0.00	\$52,587.38	\$53,553.00	\$55,311.76	\$57,007.91	\$55,739.07	\$59,626.69	7.0%
JULY	AUGUST	\$0.00	\$53,740.05	\$56,331.70	\$56,952.71	\$58,535.21	\$56,476.53	\$60,654.61	7.4%
AUGUST	SEPTEMBER	\$0.00	\$49,786.13	\$51,913.22	\$51,639.74	\$53,341.64	\$53,583.57	\$57,701.87	7.7%
SEPTEMBER	OCTOBER	\$44,937.33	\$47,965.69	\$49,855.08	\$50,904.20	\$51,409.11	\$50,894.92	\$53,394.97	4.9%
OCTOBER	NOVEMBER	\$47,160.70	\$47,527.07	\$51,934.25	\$52,967.75	\$52,273.79	\$52,766.25	\$57,590.56	9.1%
NOVEMBER	DECEMBER	\$44,302.56	\$46,293.72	\$47,859.34	\$49,616.58	\$51,850.49	\$51,823.90	\$53,936.69	4.1%
DECEMBER	JANUARY	\$50,190.78	\$51,581.89	\$51,328.06	\$56,104.83	\$55,142.56	\$54,470.96	\$60,345.51	10.8%
JANUARY	FEBRUARY	\$44,330.02	\$43,272.06	\$46,652.08	\$48,894.45	\$48,132.94	\$47,953.78	\$55,151.63	15.0%
FEBRUARY	MARCH	\$44,312.69	\$44,678.87	\$48,102.53	\$50,648.69	\$47,777.56	\$48,965.27	\$0.00	-100.0%
MARCH	APRIL	\$51,078.09	\$53,121.79	\$55,415.20	\$56,689.52	\$55,674.40	\$57,282.05	\$0.00	-100.0%
APRIL	MAY	\$48,415.31	\$50,362.97	\$53,439.17	\$53,664.82	\$52,697.81	\$55,738.21	\$0.00	-100.0%
ANNUAL TOTALS		\$ 374,727.48	\$ 593,091.10	\$ 618,368.52	\$ 636,826.31	\$ 639,785.16	\$640,711.10	\$517,852.19	
% INCREASE/(DECREASE) OVER PREVIOUS YEAR			N/A	4.3%	3.0%	0.5%	0.1%		
YEAR-TO-DATE AMOUNTS							\$478,725.57	\$517,852.19	
% INCREASE/(DECREASE) OVER PREVIOUS YEAR-TO-DATE								8.2%	
% INCREASE/(DECREASE) OVER CURRENT YEAR-TO-DATE BUDGET								9.1%	

Neibert reported at the end of the year, the balance of the 1% food & beverage tax fund was \$478,725 and the present balance is \$517,852 which reflects an 8.2% increase over last years' revenues and 9.1% over the anticipated budget amount.

**CITY OF MT. VERNON, IL
MULTI-YEAR COMPARISON OF 2 CENT DIESEL FUEL TAX**

LIABILITY MONTH	MONTH RECEIVED	FY 2008-2009	FY 2009-2010	FY 2010-2011	FY 2011-2012	FY 2012-2013	FY 2013-2014	FY 2014-2015	MONTHLY PERCENTAGE COMPARISON OF MOST RECENT YR TO PREVIOUS YEAR
MAY	JUNE	\$ -	\$44,956.14	\$42,481.78	\$44,469.25	\$50,555.76	\$38,162.90	\$49,318.57	29.2%
JUNE	JULY	\$ -	\$44,271.60	\$43,858.75	\$49,235.44	\$45,691.76	\$42,513.76	\$50,002.36	17.6%
JULY	AUGUST	\$ -	\$48,356.97	\$43,664.78	\$52,047.12	\$44,124.71	\$42,604.36	\$47,088.17	10.5%
AUGUST	SEPTEMBER	\$ -	\$48,257.63	\$46,562.85	\$55,674.53	\$51,649.65	\$45,667.18	\$49,543.81	8.5%
SEPTEMBER	OCTOBER	\$ 41,699.35	\$39,982.79	\$42,849.95	\$57,119.32	\$53,891.83	\$44,625.02	\$47,738.59	7.0%
OCTOBER	NOVEMBER	\$ 40,017.17	\$45,626.51	\$44,091.34	\$63,650.16	\$56,263.85	\$51,714.83	\$49,678.69	-3.9%
NOVEMBER	DECEMBER	\$ 38,663.83	\$38,496.21	\$39,368.93	\$51,024.36	\$51,672.71	\$44,035.82	\$44,046.25	0.0%
DECEMBER	JANUARY	\$ 42,410.22	\$40,098.65	\$39,068.57	\$44,535.53	\$43,086.48	\$44,073.82	\$50,249.33	14.0%
JANUARY	FEBRUARY	\$ 44,873.26	\$41,467.93	\$39,917.18	\$56,527.45	\$49,033.03	\$49,307.61	\$56,233.51	14.0%
FEBRUARY	MARCH	\$ 43,309.82	\$38,822.94	\$39,645.89	\$59,002.60	\$45,940.28	\$40,906.36	\$0.00	-100.0%
MARCH	APRIL	\$ 44,857.83	\$42,337.17	\$48,332.25	\$53,950.81	\$50,625.63	\$51,948.14	\$0.00	-100.0%
APRIL	MAY	\$ 43,256.89	\$42,170.51	\$46,039.74	\$53,296.61	\$46,269.55	\$48,856.75	\$0.00	-100.0%
ANNUAL TOTALS		\$ 339,088.37	\$ 514,845.05	\$515,882.01	\$640,533.18	\$588,805.24	\$544,416.55	\$443,899.28	
% INCREASE/(DECREASE) OVER PREVIOUS YEAR			N/A	0.2%	24.2%	-8.1%	-7.5%		
YEAR-TO-DATE AMOUNTS						\$445,969.78	\$ 402,705.30	\$ 443,899.28	
% INCREASE/(DECREASE) OVER PREVIOUS YEAR-TO-DATE ACTUAL								10.2%	
% INCREASE/(DECREASE) OVER CURRENT YEAR-TO-DATE BUDGET								9.1%	

Neibert reported at the end of the last fiscal year, the balance of the 2 cent diesel fuel tax fund was \$402,705 and the present fund balance is \$443,899 which reflects a 10.2% increase over last year and 9.1% increase over the anticipated budget amount.

He also reported there is only 1% difference in estimated revenues, except for one category, and expenditures.

WORKSHOP MEETING DATES

Mayor Chesley suggested that workshops to discuss the FY 2015-2016 budget be scheduled on Mondays opposite the Council meetings and proposed Monday, April 13 at 3:00 p.m. at City Hall. Council anticipates a Special Council Meeting will be set on April 27 or 28 to approve the budget. Emails will be sent to Council members.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Council Member Lash made a motion to go into executive session for the purpose of reviewing executive session minutes, discussing land acquisition and sale and litigation. Seconded by McEnaney. Yeas: Lash, McEnaney, and Chesley. Absent: Piper, Wood.

ADJOURNMENT

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

The Workshop Meeting adjourned at 3:45 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Jerilee Hopkins
City Clerk