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**City of Mt. Vernon, Illinois
Public Budget Hearing
April 28, 2014
3:00 p.m.**

Mayor Mary Jane Chesley called the Public Hearing to order at 3:00 p.m. in the Old Council Chambers at City Hall. The purpose of the Public Hearing was to discuss the fiscal budget 2014-15. City Manager Neibert presented a draft of the 2014-15 fiscal year budget. It was likely the highest budget approved for the City of Mt. Vernon in the amount of \$51, 813, 019.00.

**City of Mt. Vernon, Illinois
Special City Council Meeting
April 28, 2014
3:00 p.m.**

MINUTES

The Mt. Vernon City Council held a Special City Council Meeting on Monday, April 28, 2014 at 3:09 pm at the Old Council Chambers at City Hall, 1100 Main Street, Mt. Vernon, IL.

Mayor Mary Jane Chesley called the meeting to order.

ROLL CALL

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

Council Member Lash entered.

The purpose of the meeting was to Adopt the Ordinance Regarding Water, Sewer and Trash Rates. Service is intended to begin May 1, 2014. Mayor Chesley noted the importance of notifying and informing the public regarding the additional totes they would be receiving for the recycling program. Neibert concluded he would be having a meeting with the company Wednesday and instruction packets would be included with the delivery of the totes.

Council Member Piper proposed that in addition to Nathan McKenna being the liaison for the recycling program, he would like the city manager to get more direction to coordinate PR and roll out the program. He would like a weekly or monthly program for at least a year to give the public a chance to embrace the program.

Council Member McEnaney made a motion to Suspend the Rules on this Ordinance Regarding Water, Sewer and Trash Rates. Seconded by Council Member Piper. Yeas: Lash, McEnaney, Piper, Wood and Chesley.

Council Member McEnaney made a motion to Approve Ordinance 2014-10 Regarding Water, Sewer, and Trash Rates. Seconded by Council Member Piper. Yeas: Lash, McEnaney, Piper, Wood and Chesley.

Mayor Chesley presented the Adoption of AN ORDINANCE SUPPLEMENTING AND AMENDING ORDINANCE NO. 2010-37, AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF MOUNT VERNON, JEFFERSON COUNTY, ILLINOIS, PROVIDING FOR THE ISSUANCE OF: (A) TAXABLE GENERAL OBLIGATION BONDS, SERIES 2010A (RECOVERY ZONE ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT BONDS (DIRECT PAYMENT)); (B) TAXABLE GENERAL OBLIGATION BONDS, SERIES 2010B (BUILD AMERICA BONDS (DIRECT PAYMENT)); AND (C) OTHER BONDS, PROVIDING THE DETAILS OF SUCH BONDS AND FOR A LEVY OF TAXES TO PAY THE PRINCIPAL OF AN INTEREST ON SUCH BONDS, AND RELATED MATTERS.

City Manager Neibert clarified this was an amendment to the 2010 Bond Ordinance allowing for the expenditure of remaining bond funds for capital equipment purchases. Neibert provided a summary of the projects.

Council Member Piper made a motion to Suspend the Rules on AN ORDINANCE SUPPLEMENTING AND AMENDING ORDINANCE NO. 2010-37, AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF MOUNT VERNON, JEFFERSON COUNTY, ILLINOIS, PROVIDING FOR THE ISSUANCE OF: (A) TAXABLE GENERAL OBLIGATION BONDS, SERIES 2010A (RECOVERY ZONE ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT BONDS (DIRECT PAYMENT)); (B) TAXABLE GENERAL OBLIGATION BONDS, SERIES 2010B (BUILD AMERICA BONDS (DIRECT PAYMENT)); AND (C) OTHER BONDS, PROVIDING THE DETAILS OF SUCH BONDS AND FOR A LEVY OF TAXES TO PAY THE PRINCIPAL OF AND INTEREST ON SUCH BONDS, AND RELATED MATTERS. Seconded by Council Member Wood. Yeas: Lash, McEnaney, Piper, Wood and Chesley.

Council Member Piper made a motion to Approve the 2014-11 ORDINANCE SUPPLEMENTING AND AMENDING ORDINANCE NO. 2010-37, AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF MOUNT VERNON, JEFFERSON COUNTY, ILLINOIS, PROVIDING FOR THE ISSUANCE OF: (A) TAXABLE GENERAL OBLIGATION BONDS, SERIES 2010A (RECOVERY ZONE ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT BONDS (DIRECT PAYMENT)); (B) TAXABLE GENERAL OBLIGATION BONDS, SERIES 2010B (BUILD AMERICA BONDS (DIRECT PAYMENT)); AND (C) OTHER BONDS, PROVIDING THE DETAILS OF SUCH BONDS AND FOR A LEVY OF TAXES TO PAY THE PRINCIPAL OF AND INTEREST ON SUCH BONDS, AND RELATED MATTERS. Seconded by Council Member Wood. Yeas: Lash, McEnaney, Piper, Wood and Chesley.

Mayor Chesley presented the Adoption of Ordinance Approving the 2014/2015 Budget.

Council Member Wood made a motion to Suspend the Rules to vote on the Adoption of Ordinance Approving the 2014/15 Budget. Seconded by Council Member Lash. Yeas: Lash, McEnaney, Piper, Wood and Chesley.

Council Member Wood made a motion to Approve the 2014-12 Ordinance Approving the 2014/2015 Budget. Seconded by Council Member Lash. Yeas: Lash, McEnaney, Piper, Wood and Chesley.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

No Executive Session.

ADJOURNMENT

Council Member Wood made a motion to adjourn. Seconded by Council Member McEnaney. Yeas: Lash, McEnaney, Wood and Chesley. Piper left the meeting early.

The meeting was adjourned at 3:20 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

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