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**City of Mt. Vernon, Illinois
Regular City Council Meeting
Monday, August 3, 2026 - 7:00 p.m.**

The Mt. Vernon City Council held a Regular City Council Meeting on Monday, August 3, 2026, at 7:00 p.m. in the City Council Chamber at City Hall, 1100 Main Street, Mt. Vernon, Illinois. Facebook Live: <https://www.facebook.com/MtVernonIL>.

Due to the absence of Mayor John Lewis, City Clerk Becky Barbour called the meeting to order. The first order of business was to appoint a Mayor Pro Tem. Motion by Council Member Mike Young to appoint Council Member Joe Gliosci as Mayor Pro Tem for tonight's council meeting. Seconded by Council Member Jay Tate. All were in favor.

Mayor Pro Tem Joe Gliosci called the meeting to order.

Reverend Jake Austin from St. Patrick's Anglican Church led the Invocation.

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

ROLL CALL

The roll call showed present: Council Member Joe Gliosci, Council Member Jay Tate, and Council Member Mike Young. Absent: Council Member Donte Moore and Mayor John Lewis.

PRESENTATION OF JOURNALS

The Journal for the July 20, 2026, Regular City Council Meeting was presented for approval.

Council Member Mike Young motioned to approve the Journal as presented. Seconded by Council Member Jay Tate. Yeas: Gliosci, Tate, and Young. Absent: Moore and Lewis.

VISITORS/CITIZENS REQUESTS/ADDRESSES FROM THE AUDIENCE

Michael Muse of 424 S. 18th Street was present to address the Council regarding a problem with dogs loose in his neighborhood. He has contacted the police and the Jefferson County Animal Control. When they arrive, the dogs are back in the house. They are let loose to run without a leash and not fenced to keep them in their yard and are chasing people walking and children on

their bicycles. He would like to see the rules enforced regarding these dogs. He presented a petition signed by neighbors and photos to the Council for their information. The Council stated they would look into the issue.

APPROVAL OF CONSOLIDATED VOUCHERS FOR ACCOUNTS PAYABLE

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

Council Member Jay Tate motioned to approve the Consolidated Vouchers for Accounts Payable in the amount of \$1,129,492.72. Seconded by Council Member Mike Young. Yeas: Gliosci, Tate, and Young. Absent: Moore and Lewis.

BIDS/QUOTES

City Manager Nathan McKenna presented Bid Results for the 27th Street Parking Lot Project. The City received four bids for this project, which will add parking on the west side of 27th Street across from the Police Department. The lowest bidder was Luke Rollie Concrete, Inc. in the amount of \$108,575.00. This is over the budgeted amount of \$80,000 from the Quality-of-Life Fund. Staff recommendation would be to award the bid and make up the difference using the working fund balance.

Shores Builders	\$170,821.70
E. T. Johannes Construction	\$139,671.50
Bevis Construction	\$119,768.00
Luke Rollie Concrete	\$108,575.00

Council Member Mike Young motioned to approve a request for permission to accept the Bid Results for the 27th Street Parking Lot Project from Luke Rollie Concrete, Inc. in the amount of \$108,575.00. Seconded by Council Member Jay Tate. Yeas: Gliosci, Tate, and Young. Absent: Moore and Lewis.

CITY MANAGER

City Manager Nathan McKenna requested permission for a Street Closure on Jordan Street, between Rare parking lot and Johnson Alley on August 14, 2026 and August 15, 2026 from 8 a.m. until 11 p.m. for the Ash Bash Festival. This is in addition to the closure of 9th Street previously approved.

Council Member Jay Tate motioned to grant permission for a Street Closure on Jordan Street, between Rare parking lot and Johnson Alley on August 14, 2026 and August 15, 2026 from 8 a.m. until 11 p.m. for the Ash Bash Festival. Seconded by Council Member Mike Young. Yeas: Gliosci, Tate, and Young. Absent: Moore and Lewis.

City Manager Nathan McKenna requested permission to Seek Bids for a Water Main Extension on Woodland Drive to the East Side of Continental Tire. This will extend a 10' water main from the railroad tracks on Woodland Drive approximately 3,000 feet to accommodate the new warehouse at Continental Tire.

Council Member Mike Young motioned to grant permission to Seek Bids for a Water Main Extension on Woodland Drive to the East Side of Continental Tire. Seconded by Council Member Jay Tate. Yeas: Gliosci, Tate, and Young. Absent: Moore and Lewis.

City Manager Nathan McKenna requested permission to Seek Bids for a Roll-off Truck for the Wastewater Treatment Plant. This is a budgeted expense in the Sewer Fund. This roll-off is used to haul the processed waste from the treatment plant to the landfill. The City has budgeted \$225,000 for the replacement.

Council Member Jay Tate motioned to grant permission to Seek Bids for a Roll-off Truck for the Wastewater Treatment Plant. Seconded by Council Member Mike Young. Yeas: Gliosci, Tate, and Young. Absent: Moore and Lewis.

City Manager Nathan McKenna requested permission to Seek Bids for Two Dump Trucks. We have two 2007 International Trucks that were purchased used in 2016 and 2014 that are needing to be replaced. The City has budgeted \$354,000 in the General Corporate Capital Fund for these replacements.

Council Member Jay Tate motioned to grant permission to Seek Bids for Two Dump Trucks. Seconded by Council Member Mike Young. Yeas: Gliosci, Tate, and Young. Absent: Moore and Lewis.

ORDINANCES/RESOLUTIONS/MOTIONS

City Manager Nathan McKenna presented a Resolution Approving an Agreement for Consulting Services with Paul J. Ford Company for an Emergency Communications Tower. This would add a tower on the west side of the interstate for emergency services radio equipment and the water meter equipment. This proposal is to study the location and height of the tower. The cost is \$75,600. The City had budgeted \$100,000 to go toward this project. We are working with the 911 Board to split the expense of the construction cost.

Assistant Fire Chief Bryan Jennings was present to answer any questions. He explained this is important to get this right the first time and that is why a consulting service was needed. This is very specialized. The consulting firm will take care of the FCC license, the FAA, plus all of the infrastructure. This will be shared between the two dispatches, so this will be a true city and county project going forward. They will do a site inspection and complete the bid packet.

Council Member Mike Young motioned to approve the Resolution Approving an Agreement for Consulting Services with Paul J. Ford Company for an Emergency Communications Tower. Seconded by Council Member Jay Tate. Yeas: Gliosci, Tate, and Young. Absent: Moore and Lewis. #2026-33.

MAYOR

None.

CITY COUNCIL

City Manager Nathan McKenna wanted to remind everyone that tomorrow night (August 4th) is National Night Out hosted by the Mt. Vernon Police Department.

Police Chief Robert Brands added that this is the first time National Night Out has been back at Veterans Park in 11 years. There will be free food and games, inflatable bounce houses, 3 on 3 basketball tournament, tug of war and rock painting. There will be activities for all ages. There will be one area that will take donations for Shop-With-A-Cop program which is the dunk tank. Chief Brands invited everyone to come out, get to know the local officers and have fun. This event is from 5:00 to 8:00 p.m. at Veterans Park.

VISITORS/CITIZENS REQUESTS/ADDRESSES FROM THE AUDIENCE

None.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

None.

ADJOURNMENT

Council Member Jay Tate motioned to adjourn. Seconded by Council Member Mike Young. Yeas: Gliosci, Tate, and Young. Absent: Moore and Lewis.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:21 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,



Becky Barbour, City Clerk