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**City of Mt. Vernon, Illinois
Regular City Council Meeting
Monday, May 5, 2025
7:00 p.m.**

The Mt. Vernon City Council held a Regular City Council Meeting on Monday, May 5, 2025 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>.

Pastor Tim Brinson with Antioch International Assembly Church led the Invocation.

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

ROLL CALL

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

SWEARING IN OF NEW COUNCIL

Mayor John Lewis introduced City Clerk Becky Barbour to conduct the swearing in of newly re-elected Mayor John Lewis and City Council Members Mike Young and Joe Gliosci.

PRESENTATION OF JOURNALS

The Journal for April 21, 2025 Regular City Council Meeting was presented for approval.

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

VISITORS/CITIZENS REQUESTS/ADDRESSES FROM THE AUDIENCE

None.

APPROVAL OF CONSOLIDATED VOUCHERS FOR ACCOUNTS PAYABLE

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

Council Member Joe Gliosci motioned to approve the Consolidated Vouchers for Accounts Payable in the amount of \$1,062,129.44. Seconded by Council Member Donte Moore. Yeas: Gliosci, Moore, Young, and Lewis. Absent: Botch.

BIDS AND QUOTES

Acting City Manager Nathan McKenna presented the Results of the Quote for the Financing of a Fire Truck. We received 5 quotes for financing of the new pumper truck expected to be completed by the beginning of June. Rates for 5 and 7 year terms were asked for with Banterra providing the low quote of 3.95% rate for both. Recommendation is to move forward with Banterra on the loan.

Council Member Mike Young motioned for Approval of the Quote for the Financing of a Fire Truck. Seconded by Council Member Donte Moore. Yeas: Moore, Young, and Lewis. Absent: Botch. Abstain: Gliosci.

CITY MANAGER

Acting City Manager Nathan McKenna requested permission to Seek Bids For the City-wide Pavement Striping Project 2025. This is for striping of local roads on the west side of town, being 42nd Street, 45th Street, Veterans, Davidson, Potomac, Shiloh Drive, South Water Tower, Downing, Victoria, Lincolnshire and Wells Bypass. The budgeted amount is \$24,000.

Council Member Donte Moore motioned to grant permission to Seek Bids For the City-wide Pavement Striping Project 2025. Seconded by Council Member Mike Young. Yeas: Gliosci, Moore, Young, and Lewis. Absent: Botch.

Acting City Manager Nathan McKenna requested permission to Seek Bids for the Parking Lot Sealing Project 2025. This is for sealing of parking lots F and G downtown and the parking lot at Lincoln Park ballfields on 34th Street. Estimated cost is \$48,182.40.

Council Member Joe Gliosci motioned to grant permission to Seek Bids for the Parking Lot Sealing Project 2025. Seconded by Council Member Donte Moore. Yeas: Gliosci, Moore, Young, and Lewis. Absent: Botch.

Acting City Manager Nathan McKenna requested permission to Seek Bids for the Summer 2025 Demolition Project. The City has budgeted \$300,000 for the demolition of 20 dangerous and dilapidated structures this year. The properties are as follows: 1507 S. 12th Street, 1018 S. 23rd Street, 719 Bell, 219 Opdyke, 916 Welkins, 421 S. 13th Street, 621 S. 18th Street, 817 S. 12th Street, 525 S. 24th Street, 2517 Herbert, 701/705 Bell, 600 S. 19th Street, 404 Liebengood, 705 S. 22nd Street, 700 S. 17th Street, 1021 Welkins, 1216 Jones, 1308 Perkins, 313 Opdyke, and 1304-A S. 26th Street.

There was discussion regarding the process of obtaining court orders, etc. to demolish these homes. That sometimes can take a couple of years, however the City does move forward with demolition once that is approved by the Court.

Council Member Donte Moore motioned to grant permission to Seek Bids for the Summer 2025 Demolition Project. Seconded by Council Member Mike Young. Yeas: Gliosci, Moore, Young, and Lewis. Absent: Botch.

Acting City Manager Nathan McKenna requested permission to Waive Bidding and Purchase Software for the Fire Department. The current emergency reporting system used by the Fire Department no longer complies with federal requirements. The City has budgeted \$30,000 in the department budget to replace the old software. Chief Yenne and Assistant Chief Jennings were present to answer questions regarding the software.

Council Member Joe Gliosci motioned to grant permission to Waive Bidding and Purchase Software for the Fire Department. Seconded by Council Member Donte Moore. Yeas: Gliosci, Moore, Young, and Lewis. Absent: Botch.

ORDINANCES/RESOLUTIONS/MOTIONS

Acting City Manager Nathan McKenna presented for First Reading of an Ordinance Authorizing the Sale of Municipal Property. The City has various equipment and electronics that need disposed of or are being replaced. We are asking Council to consider waiving the bidding requirements so the electronics can be disposed of at the electronic recycling drive.

Council Member Donte Moore made the motion to suspend the rules and take action on the Ordinance, an Ordinance Authorizing the Sale of Municipal Property. Seconded by Council Member Mike Young. Yeas: Gliosci, Moore, Young, and Lewis. Absent: Botch.

Council Member Donte Moore motioned to approve Ordinance #2025-10, an Ordinance Authorizing the Sale of Municipal Property. Seconded by Council Member Mike Young. Yeas: Gliosci, Moore, Young, and Lewis. Absent: Botch.

Acting City Manager Nathan McKenna presented a Resolution Approving a Real Estate Purchase Agreement with Swan's Industrial Center, LLC. This agreement is to purchase two properties located on Perkins next to the animal shelter. The purchase price is \$22,880.

Council Member Joe Gliosci motioned to approve the Resolution Approving a Real Estate Purchase Agreement with Swan's Industrial Center, LLC. Seconded by Council Member Donte Moore. Yeas: Gliosci, Moore, Young, and Lewis. Absent: Botch. Resolution #2025-23.

Acting City Manager Nathan McKenna presented a Resolution Approving a Consulting Agreement with Stephen Tate CPA. With the finance director position currently vacant, this is a short term agreement with former Finance Director Steve Tate for consultation while a new director is hired. It is an agreement for hourly services as needed.

Council Member Mike Young motioned to approve the Resolution Approving a Consulting Agreement with Stephen Tate CPA. Seconded by Council Member Joe Gliosci. Yeas: Gliosci, Moore, Young, and Lewis. Absent: Botch. Resolution #2025-24.

MAYOR

Mayor John Lewis presented for the advice and consent of the City Council the Appointment of Joseph Burns to the City Housing Authority Commission. This name was brought to Mayor Lewis by Reverend Ron Lash.

Council Member Donte Moore motioned to accept the Appointment of Joseph Burns to the City Housing Authority Commission. Seconded by Council Member Joe Gliosci. Yeas: Gliosci, Moore, Young, and Lewis. Absent: Botch.

Mayor John Lewis presented for the advice and consent of the City Council the Re-appointment of Manny Ortiz to the City Housing Authority Commission.

Council Member Joe Gliosci motioned to accept the Re-appointment of Manny Ortiz to the City Housing Authority Commission. Seconded by Council Member Donte Moore. Yeas: Gliosci, Moore, Young, and Lewis. Absent: Botch.

Mayor John Lewis presented for the advice and consent of the City Council the Re-appointment of Mike Carbonaro, Shari Copple, and Sheila Jolly-Scrivner to the Tourism Advisory Board.

Council Member Mike Young motioned to accept the Re-appointment of Mike Carbonaro, Shari Copple, and Sheila Jolly-Scrivner to the Tourism Advisory Board. Seconded by Council Member Joe Gliosci. Yeas: Gliosci, Moore, Young, and Lewis. Absent: Botch.

Mayor John Lewis presented for the advice and consent of the City Council the Re-appointment of Nathan McKenna to the Fire Pension Board.

Council Member Donte Moore motioned to accept the Re-appointment of Nathan McKenna to the Fire Pension Board. Seconded by Council Member Joe Gliosci. Yeas: Gliosci, Moore, Young, and Lewis. Absent: Botch.

CITY COUNCIL

None.

VISITORS/CITIZENS REQUESTS/ADDRESSES FROM THE AUDIENCE

None.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

None.

ADJOURNMENT

**Council Member Joe Gliosci motioned to adjourn. Seconded by Council Member Donte Moore.
Yeas: Gliosci, Moore, Young, and Lewis. Absent: Botch.**

The meeting was adjourned at 7:24 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Becky Barbour".

Becky Barbour, City Clerk