

**Mount Vernon
City Council
Regular Meeting Minutes
February 27, 2019**

The meeting was called to order by Mayor Boudreau at 7:01 p.m.

Present: Councilmembers Beaton, Brocksmith, Carías, Hulst, Moberg, and Molenaar;
Councilmember Hudson had been excused

Staff Present: Fire Chief Brice, Library Services Director Huffman, Project Development Manager Donovan, City Attorney Rogerson, Finance Director Volesky, Development Services Director Phillips, Public Works Director Bell, Parks and Enrichment Services Director King, Equipment Maintenance Manager Gary Owens, Fire Captain Sanders, Police Lieutenant Cammock, Police Lieutenant Moore, Senior Planner Bradley-Lowell, Public Works Operations Manager Brickley

Citizens Present: 2

CONSENT AGENDA

- A. Approval of February 13, 2019 Regular Council Meeting Minutes
- B. Approval of February 20, 2019 payroll checks numbered 109027 - 109060 direct deposit checks numbered 69810 - 70044, and wire transfers numbered 707 – 708 in the amount of \$1,164,637.55
- C. Approval of February 27, 2019 Claims numbered 2431 – 2710 in the amount of \$1,498,207.85

Councilmember Molenaar moved to approve the consent agenda items A-C. Motion seconded by Councilmember Beaton. Motion carried 7-0.

REPORTS

- A. Committees
 - Finance and Parks & Enrichment Services: for details see Committee minutes
 - Development Services: Postponed until March 13, 2019
- B. Community Comments
None
- C. Councilmember Comments
 - Councilmember Beaton reminded the community that property taxes are not linked directly to housing prices. The value of her house continues to rise but her property taxes decreased due to the payoff of major bonds.
 - Councilmember Brocksmith reviewed the temporary housing allowance provided to religious/non-profit organizations and discussed how there were only 2 designated cold weather shelters for a county of 135,000 citizens. The current facility at 7th Day Adventist can only shelter 25 people due to size limitations and their temporary allowance expires in March. Brocksmith made a plea for any religious/non-profits who can provide these services to please do so.
 - Councilmember Hulst added that the temporary housing allowance can be applied for any time of the year and would like to see enough organizations volunteer that they could have temporary housing allowance coverage throughout the year.

- D. Mayor's Report
- Presented New Street Sweeper – more efficient, smaller, and better.
 - Presented upcoming Mayor coffee sessions at the Fire Stations.
- E. Committee Agenda Requests
- None

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

- None

NEW BUSINESS

- A. Public Hearing – 2019 Comprehensive Plan Docket: Ms. Lowell presented the Council with a request to approve Resolution 960 which clarifies the Comprehensive Plan Amendments and Development Regulation Amendments the Council will be considered during the 2019 amendment cycle.

Councilmember Molenaar moved to approve Resolution 960 which clarifies the Comprehensive Plan Amendments and Development Regulation Amendments the Council will be considered during the 2019 amendment cycle. Motion seconded by Councilmember Beaton. Motion carried 7-0.

- B. Establish a Municipal Arts Fund and Associated Budget for 2019: Mr. Volesky presented the Council with a request to approve Ordinance 3778 which will establish a Municipal Arts Fund {F113} and budget to support the Arts Commission and the public art program.

Councilmember Beaton moved to approve Ordinance 3778 which will establish a Municipal Arts Fund {F113} and budget to support the Arts Commission and the public art program. Motion seconded by Councilmember Molenaar. Motion carried 7-0.

- C. Approval to Purchase 2019 Budgeted Vehicles and Equipment: Mr. Owens presented the council with a request to authorize the purchase of six vehicles and two equipment trailers that are all included in the 2019 City Budget.).

Councilmember Molenaar moved to authorize the purchase of six vehicles and two equipment trailers per the 2019 City Budget. Motion seconded by Councilmember Moberg. Motion carried 7-0.

- D. Amendment to EMS Contract for Ambulance Service: Mr. Brice presented the council with a request to authorize the Mayor to sign an amendment to the EMS contract to add to Exhibit B additional equipment as compensation for services.

Councilmember Hulst moved to authorize the Mayor to sign an amendment to the EMS contract to add to Exhibit B additional equipment as compensation for services. Motion seconded by Councilmember Carías. Motion carried 7-0.

- E. Ordinance Amending Mount Vernon Municipal Code (MVMC) Chapter 9.21: Mr. Rogerson presented the Council a request to approve Ordinance 3779 amending MVMC Chapter 9.21 to add a definition of public place to the Code.

Councilmember Molenaar moved to approve Ordinance 3779 amending MVMC Chapter 9.21 to add a definition of public place to the Code. Motion seconded by Councilmember Beaton. Motion carried 7-0.

- F. City Attorney Rogerson invited the Council to an Executive Session not to exceed 15 minutes.

There being no further business the meeting was adjourned at 7:28 p.m.

SUBMITTED BY:

Chase Kinney, Recording Clerk

ATTEST:

Doug Volesky, Finance Director

APPROVE:

Jill Boudreau, Mayor