

COUNCIL MEETING  
CITY OF VERNON  
AUGUST 20, 2018  
6:00PM

Present: Council members, Gary Owens, Gwen March, Joey Brock; City Clerk, Tracy Walker; Deputy Clerk, Christina Barnett; Public Works Director, Ronald Wood; and Fire Chief, Mike Owens. Absent: Mayor, Tina Sloan, Council member Kalan Miller, and Attorney, Michelle Jordan.

INVOCATION – given by Jimmy Cook

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE – given by all

CONSENT AGENDA – MTA by Gwen March, second by Joey Brock, motion carries with all in favor

- APPROVE PAYMENT OF THE BILLS
- APPROVE CHANGES IN DEPOSITS AND ADJUSTMENTS FOR JULY
- APPROVE ADJUSTMENTS \$50.00 AND LESS

MAYOR'S REPORT (Gary Owens) - reminder of employee handbook for workshop, and budget; they are meeting in Tallahassee this week regarding our money for the sewer plant and the project across the bridge; He called the auditors today, they relayed that what they were given was un-auditable, they are reviewing the disclaimer of opinion

ATTORNEY'S REPORT – N/A

CLERK'S REPORT – storage tank insurance do we want the limits and deductible to remain the same as last year-workshop; rough budget, liability insurance increase, I will look for other quotes, JLAC has authorized SRF Funds (Cook Circle Pump Station) to be released, two employees have requested we change the payroll dates from Fri – Thurs to Thurs – Wed council was in agreement with this request; First Federal credit card machine - workshop

FIRE CHIEF'S REPORT – it's been quiet, only a few calls, there was an issue with the tanker it should be up and running tomorrow

RECREATION REPORT – background check issue Thursday 8-12 at least 7 instances where the Corporal was not in after scheduling; they would like to turn the Rec cell phone in and receive a tablet; only 2 football teams made this year Pee Wee and Seniors did not have enough registrations, enrollment dates might be an issue but this has nothing to do with the City; 2 home weekends 9/8 and 9/15 they will need help with concessions; Brent needs help keeping up with the grass as he is trying to keep his budget in check – no inmate labor available; getting ready for basketball – we need another goal; we need a written agreement with the High and Middle schools to use their courts; Wesley Henderson still has not turned in his equipment, Gary Owens will speak with him again

PUBLIC WORKS' REPORT – the bill on the Dodge came in at almost \$2400.00; sewer plant is doing good, except for the rain; reading meters and cutting grass this week; Mike Owens thanked the PW Dept for trimming the bushes around the fire dept

**PUBLIC PARTICIPATION:** Annette Owens – Haunted Hallways made just over \$3000 last year and looking for a bigger better year upcoming, she requested a key in order to check and make sure that all of her decorations were still there, only about 10 parents/seniors came out and helped, if that does not change this year, they would like to give the proceeds to the City of Vernon for fireworks; they are looking to split up the dates 10/13, 10/20, 10/25 and (depends when the City will have Trick-or-Treating); they would like to partner up with the Rec Dept give 10% of all proceeds in lieu of insurance; they asked that we “silence” the alarms due to an incident from last year; Community Service for the State has Michelle Cook listed, Gary asked that I call and change that to myself; we will discuss all of this further at the workshop on 9/4

OLD BUSINESS – NONE

NEW BUSINESS

1. MOTION TO APPROVE property swap with Jim Harris in exchange for 5 annual uses (the class of 1961) of the Community Center (\$802.50 value at current rate) MTA by Gwen March, second by Joey Brock, motion passes with all in favor

2. MOTION TO APPROVE payment of Z's Land Surveying & Mapping, Inc. \$500.00 for survey of Jim Harris property MTA by Joey Brock, second by Gwen March, motion passes with all in favor
3. MOTION TO APPROVE Panhandle Title Company for closing (\$500.00) MTA by Gwen March, second by Joey Brock, motion passes with all in favor
4. MOTION TO APPROVE Resolution 2018-147 regarding Florida's Amendment 1 MTA by Joey Brock, second by Gwen March, motion passes with all in favor after a brief discussion
5. MOTION TO APPROVE \$173.81 adjustment to account 1149 MTA by Gwen March, second by Joey Brock, motion passes with all in favor

ADJOURNMENT Motion to adjourn at 6:27PM by Gwen March and second by Joey Brock, motion passed with all in favor

Respectfully submitted,

Tracy Walker, City Clerk

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