

**COUNCIL MEETING
CITY OF VERNON
SEPTEMBER 21, 2020
5:30PM**

PRESENT – MAYOR: Candice Hodges; COUNCIL MEMBERS: Joey Brock, Gwendolyn March, Laura Brewer; Jeanie Shipes, Becky Baxley; CITY CLERK: Tracy Walker; PUBLIC WORKS: Jason Rhoton; FIRE CHIEF: Mike Owens, RECREATION DEPARTMENT: Timothy Garner

Invocation – by Tracy Walker

Pledge of allegiance – recited by all

CONSENT AGENDA MTA consent agenda by Gwendolyn March with a second from Becky Baxley, motion passes with all in favor

- APPROVE PAYMENT OF BILLS (Aug)
- APPROVE CHANGES IN DEPOSITS AND ADJUSTMENTS (Aug)
- APPROVE ADJUSTMENTS <\$50.00

MAYOR’S REPORT I have had numerous phone calls and webinars lately regarding the flooding disaster

ATTORNEY’S REPORT Can we add engaging a survey of the track park as number 6 to the agenda?

CLERK’S REPORT I have provided the maps for the VHS parade we will need to add this to the agenda to be approved as number 5 and I will have the mayor sign off on it tonight

FIRE CHIEF’S REPORT everything is going well, we had 5 water rescues during the disaster

RECREATION REPORT Basketball registration will begin shortly, we are waiting on a few minor changes to the form

PUBLIC WORKS’ REPORT we had some flooding at the plant which is now under control; due to an automobile accident I had to order a new fire hydrant for Spoolmill Rd.

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION:

OLD BUSINESS

NEW BUSINESS:

PUBLIC HEARING (SECOND READING):

1. **RESOLUTION 20-165 FINAL ADVALOREM TAXES** resolution adopted by poll vote with all in favor
2. **RESOLUTION 20-166 FINAL BUDGET** resolution adopted by poll vote with all in favor
3. **ORDINANCE 20-225 INCREASING FEES FOR WATER AND SEWER SERVICES** ordinance passes with a vote of 3:2
4. **ORDINANCE 20-226 INCREASING THE COMPENSATION OF COUNCIL MEMBERS** ordinance passes with all in favor
5. **ORDINANCE 20-227 INCREASING THE SALARY OF THE MAYOR** ordinance passes with all in favor

MEETING:

1. **MOTION TO APPROVE \$351.35 (charge) adjustment to account 1206 – rate set to 99 (No Charge) when account was placed on vacation in October, reactivated account in April** MTA by Laura Brewer with a second from Gwendolyn March, the motion passes with all in favor
2. **MOTION TO APPROVE \$91.00 (credit) sewer adjustment (2 months) to account 77 – verified leak** MTA by Becky Baxley with a second from Jeanie Shipes, the motion passes with all in favor

3. **MOTION TO APPROVE \$153.00 (credit)** sewer adjustment (5 months) to account 274 – verified leak MTA by Gwendolyn March with a second from Becky Baxley, the motion passes with all in favor
4. **MOTION TO APPROVE \$453.06 (credit)** sewer adjustment to account 43 – possible leak/theft MTA by Becky Baxley with a second from Laura Brewer, the motion passes with all in favor
5. **MOTION TO APPROVE 2020 VHS HOMECOMING PARADE/DETOUR ROUTE** MTA by Becky Baxley with a second from Jeanie Shipes, the motion passes with all in favor
6. **MOTION TO APPROVE HIRING BOBBY HUTCHINS TO SURVEY TRACK PARK** MTA by Jeanie Shipes with a second from Becky Baxley, the motion passes with all in favor

ADJOURNMENT With no further business to discuss, a motion to adjourn was made at 7:16 by Becky Baxley, with a second from Jeanie Shipes and all in favor, the meeting was adjourned.

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION – ANYONE WHO DESIRES TO ADDRESS THE COUNCIL MUST SIGN IN WITH THE CITY CLERK PRIOR TO THE MEETING STARTING AND PROVIDE THE TOPIC FOR DISCUSSION. THERE IS A TIME LIMIT OF FIVE (5) MINUTES. NO VERBATIM RECORD BY A CERTIFIED COURT REPORTER IS MADE OF THESE PROCEEDINGS. ACCORDINGLY, ANY PERSON WHO MAY SEEK TO APPEAL ANY DECISION INVOLVING THE MATTERS NOTICED HEREIN WILL BE RESPONSIBLE FOR MAKING A VERBATIM RECORD OF THE TESTIMONY AND EVIDENCE AT THESE PROCEEDINGS UPON WHICH ANY APPEAL IS TO BE BASED (SEE SECTION 286.0105, FLORIDA STATUTES SUBMIT ALL REQUESTS VIA EMAIL TO CLERK@VERNONFL.COM. IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE AMERICANS WITH DISABILITIES ACT AND SECTION 286.26, FLORIDA STATUTES, PERSONS NEEDING A SPECIAL ACCOMMODATION TO PARTICIPATE IN THIS PROCEEDING SHOULD CONTACT THE CITY CLERK OFFICE AT 850-535-2444 FORTY-EIGHT (48) HOURS IN ADVANCE OF THIS PROCEEDING.
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