

**MINUTES OF THE REGULAR SESSION TOWN COUNCIL MEETING FOR  
THE TOWN OF MT. VERNON  
MARCH 12, 2024**

Mayor Eric L. Peoples called to order the meeting for the Town of Mount Vernon, Alabama, March 12, 2024, at 4:00 PM at Town Hall located at 1565 Boyles Avenue, Mount Vernon, Alabama.

Meeting commenced at 4:10 pm

Present: Members of the Town Council: Eric L. Peoples, B. Charlene Coleman, Marcellious Jones, James May, Interim Chief Brazier, and Jacqueline A. Niles, Town Clerk

Roll Call: Mayor Eric L. Peoples – Present  
Councilwoman B. Charlene Coleman – Present  
Councilman William Grant, Jr. – Absent  
Councilman Derico Austin – Absent  
Councilwoman Marcellious Jones - Present  
Councilman James May- Present

Jacqueline A. Niles served as recording clerk for the meeting.

Attorney was present for the meeting.

Approval of the February 20, 2024, workshop meeting minutes, town workshop meeting minutes.

Motion by Councilwoman Coleman and seconded by Councilwoman Jones to approve the February 20, 2024, workshop meeting minutes, town workshop meeting minutes.

No discussion

Councilwoman Coleman	yea	Councilwoman Jones	yea
Councilman Grant	absent	Councilman May	yea
Councilman Austin	absent	Mayor Peoples	yea

Motion carried.

Approval of the February 20, 2024, regular scheduled meeting minutes.

Motion by Councilwoman Coleman and seconded by Councilwoman Jones to approve the February 20, 2024, regular scheduled meeting minutes.

No discussion

Councilwoman Coleman	yea	Councilwoman Jones	yea
Councilman Grant	absent	Councilman May	yea
Councilman Austin	absent	Mayor Peoples	yea

Motion carried.

A request was made to award train depot repair quote.

Motion by Mayor Peoples and seconded by Councilwoman Jones to table the train depot bid.

Roll Call

Mayor Peoples	yes
Councilwoman Coleman	nay
Councilwoman Jones	yes
Councilman May	no

Withdrawal of Motion by Mayor Peoples and second by Councilwoman Jones.

Motion by Mayor Peoples and seconded by Councilwoman Jones to award the train depot bid to Double M Home Builders LLC in the amount of \$7,300.00.

\$7,300 Double M. Home Builders LLC  
 \$6,150 DH Contractor LLC

No discussion

Councilwoman Coleman	no	Councilwoman Jones	yea
Councilman Grant	absent	Councilman May	yea
Councilman Austin	absent	Mayor Peoples	yea

Motion carried

Approval of bills to be paid in the amount of \$64,330.71.

Motion by Councilwoman Jones and seconded by Councilman May to approve bills to be paid in the amount of \$64,330.71.

No discussion

Councilwoman Coleman	yea	Councilwoman Jones	yea
Councilman Grant	absent	Councilman May	yea
Councilman Austin	absent	Mayor Peoples	yea

Motion carried.

Request to accept the resignation of Joshua Carswell.

Motion by Councilwoman Jones and seconded by Councilman May to accept the resignation of Joshua Carswell, full time police officer, in good standing.

No discussion

Councilwoman Coleman	yea	Councilwoman Jones	yea
Councilman Grant	absent	Councilman May	yea
Councilman Austin	absent	Mayor Peoples	yea

Motion carried.

Request to hire seven summer interns from Citronelle High School at \$10 per hour.

Motion by Councilwoman Jones and seconded by Councilman May to approve the request to hire seven summer interns from Citronelle High School at \$10 per hour.

No discussion

Councilwoman Coleman	yea	Councilwoman Jones	yea
Councilman Grant	absent	Councilman May	yea
Councilman Austin	absent	Mayor Peoples	yea

Motion carried.

A request was made to pay \$2,730 to Mount Vernon Volunteer Fire Department for call out pay.

Motion by Councilwoman Jones and seconded by Councilman May to approve the request to pay \$2,730 to Mount Vernon Volunteer Fire Department for call out pay.

December 2023	\$ 510
January 2024	\$ 700
February 2024	\$1,520

No discussion

Councilwoman Coleman	yea	Councilwoman Jones	yea
Councilman Grant	absent	Councilman May	yea
Councilman Austin	absent	Mayor Peoples	yea

Motion carried.

A request was made to approve payment for training for the Town Clerks Office.

Motion by Councilman Jones and seconded by Councilman May to approve the request of the Town Clerk for approval of payment for training for the Clerks Office for the entire year.

No discussion

Councilwoman Coleman	yea	Councilwoman Jones	yea
Councilman Grant	absent	Councilman May	yea
Councilman Austin	absent	Mayor Peoples	yea

Motion carried.

Appointment of delegates was presented to the Council.

Motion by Councilwoman Jones and seconded by Councilman May to appoint Councilwoman Jones and Councilwoman Coleman as delegates for the 2024 Annual Convention.

No discussion

Councilwoman Coleman	yea	Councilwoman Jones	yea
Councilman Grant	absent	Councilman May	yea
Councilman Austin	absent	Mayor Peoples	yea

Motion carried.

Approval of payment for the annual convention.

Motion by Councilwoman Jones and seconded by Councilman May to authorize payment for the annual convention.

No discussion

Councilwoman Coleman	yea	Councilwoman Jones	yea
Councilman Grant	absent	Councilman May	yea
Councilman Austin	absent	Mayor Peoples	yea

Motion carried.

Approval of payment for CMO training.

Motion by Councilwoman Jones and seconded by Councilman May to authorize payment CMO training.

Councilwoman Coleman	yea	Councilwoman Jones	yea
Councilman Grant	absent	Councilman May	yea

Councilman Austin            absent            Mayor Peoples            absent

Motion carried.

Approval of increase of Judge Day salary.

Motion by Councilwoman Jones and seconded by Councilman May to increase Judge Day salary to \$600 per session.

No discussion

Councilwoman Coleman	yea	Councilwoman Jones	yea
Councilman Grant	absent	Councilman May	yea
Councilman Austin	absent	Mayor Peoples	yea

Motion carried.

A request was made to adjourn.

Motion by Councilwoman Jones and seconded Councilman May to adjourn.

No discussion

Councilwoman Coleman	yea	Councilwoman Jones	yea
Councilman Grant	absent	Councilman May	yea
Councilman Austin	absent	Mayor Peoples	yea

Motion carried.

The meeting adjourned at 4:36 pm.

Approved on the 26th day of March 2024.

APPROVED: Eric L Peoples  
Mayor Eric L. Peoples

Attest: Jacqueline A. Niles, CMC  
Town Clerk

B. Charlene Coleman, Councilwoman

William Grant, Jr., Councilman  
Derico Austin, Councilman

Marcellious Jones  
Marcellious Jones, Councilwoman

James O. May, Councilman  
Councilman James May, Councilman