

**MINUTES OF THE REGULAR SESSION TOWN COUNCIL MEETING FOR
THE TOWN OF MT. VERNON
JULY 23, 2024**

Mayor Peoples called to order the meeting for the Town of Mount Vernon, Alabama, July 23, 2024, at 4:00 PM at Town Hall located at 1565 Boyles Avenue, Mount Vernon, Alabama.

Meeting commenced at 4:13 pm

Present: Members of the Town Council: Eric L. Peoples, B. Charlene Coleman, Derico Austin, Marcellious Jones, James May, Chief Pettway, 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 – Present
Councilwoman Marcellious Jones - Absent
Councilman James May- Present

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

Attorney Jay Ross was present for the meeting.

Approval of June 25, 2024, workshop and council meeting minutes.

Motion by Councilwoman Coleman seconded by Councilman Austin to approve the June 25, 2024, workshop and council meeting minutes.

No discussion

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

Motion carried.

Approval of bills to be paid in the amount of \$70,272.33.

Motion by Councilwoman Coleman and seconded by Councilman Austin to approve the bills to be paid in the amount of \$70,272.33.

No discussion

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

Motion carried.

Request to approve Part Time Jailer/Dispatcher Contract for Dorothy Plemmons.

Motion by Councilman Austin and seconded by Councilwoman Coleman to approve the part time Jailer/Dispatcher Contract for Dorothy Plemmons.

No discussion

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

Motion carried.

Request to approve Part Time Jailer/Dispatcher Contract for Aerial Lofton.

Motion by Councilwoman Coleman and seconded by Councilman Austing to approve part time Jailer/Dispatcher contract for Aerial Lofton.

No discussion

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

Motion carried.

Request to approve Part Time Jailer/Dispatcher Contract for Kristal Weaver.

Motion by Councilwoman Coleman and seconded by Councilman Austin to approve the part time Jailer/Dispatcher contract for Kristal Weaver.

Discussion

Councilwoman Coleman – that wasn't on the workshop agenda

Councilman Austin – Yes

Jacqueline A. Niles – Number 6

Mayor Peoples – It was

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

Motion carried.

Request to pay \$2400 call out pay for fire department.

Motion by Councilman Austin and seconded by Councilwoman Coleman to approve the request of the fire department for call out pay in the amount of \$2,400 for May 2024.

No discussion

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

Motion carried.

Request to approve payment to Auto Nation for motor replacement in the amount of \$9,904.45.

Motion by Councilman Austin and seconded by Councilwoman Coleman to approve payment to Auto Nation for motor replacement in the amount of \$9,904.45.

No discussion

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

Motion carried.

Approval of bills to be paid in the amount of \$24,046.49.

Motion by Councilwoman Coleman and seconded by Councilman Austin to approve bills to be paid in the amount of \$24,046.49.

No discussion

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

Motion carried.

Request of library to approve expenditures and the purchase of 8 computers.

Motion by Councilwoman Coelman and seconded by Councilman Austin to approve the expenditures for the library and to purchase 8 computers for the computer lab.

No discussion

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

Motion carried.

Request to accept the retirement notification from Shedrick M. Varner.

Motion by Councilwoman Coleman and seconded by Councilman Austin to accept the retirement notification from Shedrick M. Varner to be effective September 1, 2024.

Discussion

Councilwoman Coleman – Who will be in charge

Mayor Peoples – We hadn't looked at that and don't know if he is going to stay

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

Motion carried.

Request to accept resignation of Ahmad English full time Police officer.

Motion by Councilman Austin and seconded by Councilwoman Coleman to accept the resignation of Ahmad English, full time police officer.

No discussion

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

Motion carried.

Proposed water tank maintenance agreement was presented to the council.

Motion by Councilwoman Coelman and seconded by Councilman Austin to approve the proposed water tank maintenance agreement with payments to begin October 1, 2024.

No discussion

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

Motion carried.

Waste Pro Renewal was presented to the Council.

Motion by Councilwoman Coleman and seconded by Councilman Austin to approve and additional year for the Waste Pro contract and service rates will not change.

No discussion

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

Motion carried.

A request was made to set mayor and council salary.

Motion by Councilwoman Coleman and seconded by Councilman Austin to set the mayor and council salary for the oncoming elected officials in 2025.

Mayor	\$1200 per month
Council Members	\$700 per month

No discussion

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

Motion carried.

A request was made to adjourn.

Motion by Councilwoman Coleman seconded Councilman Austin to adjourn.

No discussion

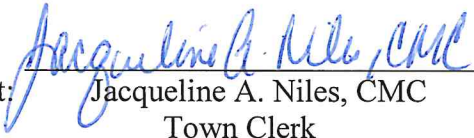
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Councilman Grant	absent	Councilman May	yea
Councilman Austin	yea	Mayor Peoples	yea

Motion carried.

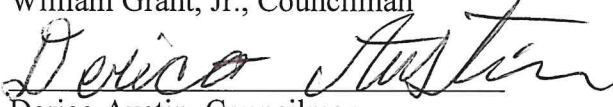
The meeting adjourned at 4:30 pm.

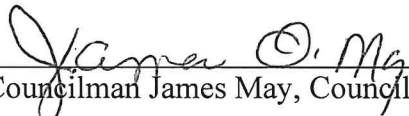
Approved on the 13th day of August 2024.

APPROVED: 
Mayor Eric L. Peoples

Attest: 
Jacqueline A. Niles, CMC
Town Clerk


B. Charlene Coleman, Councilwoman

William Grant, Jr., Councilman

Derico Austin, Councilman

Marcellious Jones, Councilwoman

Councilman James May, Councilman