

**MINUTES OF THE
REGULAR SCHEDULED
COUNCIL MEETING
FOR THE
THE TOWN OF MT. VERNON
August 27, 2024
4:00 P.M.**

Mt. Vernon Town Hall Regular Scheduled Council meeting was held on Tuesday, August 27, 2023, at 4:07 pm, it was called to order by the Mayor Peoples. Invocation was given by Assistant Clerk Tena Dillard. The Mayor led us in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Roll Call: Tena F. Dillard, Town Clerk, CMC

___ Eric Peoples, Mayor	present
___ B. Charlene Coleman, Councilwoman	absent
___ William Grant, Jr., Councilman	absent
___ Derico Austin, Councilman	present
___ Marcellious Jones, Councilwoman	present
___ James May, Councilman	present

Tena F. Dillard served as recording clerk for the meeting.

Attorney Ben Kearns with Adams and Reese was present for the meeting.

Approval of the August 13, 2024 workshop and regular Council meeting minutes; motioned by Councilwoman Austin and seconded by Councilwoman Jones to approve the minutes as written.

No Discussion

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

Motion carried.

Old Business: The Mayor reminded us of the Senior Citizen's Prom that's being sponsored by SAGE Health. They will handle all expenses. It is going to be held at the Civic Center for those 55 years old and older. September 27, 2024, from 1:00 – 3:00 p.m. You need to call and sign up to participate. If numbers are good they will come again.

REPORT OF STANDING COMMITTEES:

FINANCE: Councilwoman Marcellious Jones
Councilwoman Jones had no new report due to the time.

PUBLIC WORKS: Councilwoman Charlene Coleman

POLICE/FIRE: Councilman James May
Councilman May had no report.

STREETS & ROADS: Mayor Peoples reminded the Council to check road signs in their district

LIBRARY/SR CITIZENS/PARKS/RECREATION: Councilman Derico Austin
No report at this time.

BUSINESS, ORDINANCES & RESOLUTIONS

Motioned by Councilwoman Jones and seconded by Councilman Austin, to approve paying bills in the amount of \$14,083.21. No discussion.
All voted yea, no opposes, motion is carried.

Motioned by Councilwoman Jones and seconded by Councilman Austin to approve the Holiday Schedule 2024-2025, with the additional of Christmas Eve.
No discussion.
All voted yea, no opposed, motion is carried.

Motioned by Councilwoman Jones and seconded by Councilman Austin to approve Fire Department call outs for June and July 2024, totaling \$4200.
No discussion.
All voted yea, no opposed, motion is carried.

Motioned by Councilwoman Jones and seconded by Councilman Austin to accept the proposed contract with SARPC in the amount of \$15,000.
All voted yea, no opposes, motion is carried.

Motioned by Councilman Austin and seconded by Councilwoman Jones to amend the sign on bonus for Police Officers to incoming recruits that will be going to the academy.
All voted yea, no opposed, motion is carried.

Motioned by Councilman Austin and seconded by Councilwoman Jones to accept amended agreement with the County; ARP01 103-22.
All voted yea, no opposed, motion is carried.

Motioned by Councilwoman Jones and seconded by Councilman Austin to hire a part-time bookkeeper or accountant to assist in the clerk's office.
All voted yea, no opposed, motion is carried.

Attorney Comments:

None.

Public Comments:


Willie Moss stated that she felt the Town's funds were just flying out the door.

Request to Adjourn


Motion by Councilman Austin to adjourn; Seconded by Councilman May.

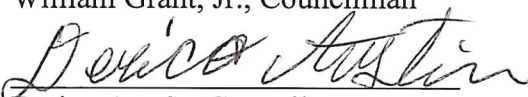
Meeting adjourned at 4:25 p.m.

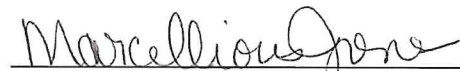
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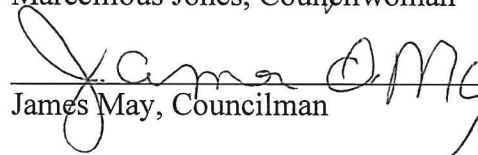

Eric L. Peoples, Mayor

Attest: Tena F. Dillard,
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