



CITY COUNCIL REGULAR SESSION

Monday, April 10, 2023 – 6:00 PM

109 North Kaufman Street, Mount Vernon, Texas 75457

Our mission: to provide effective and fiscally responsible municipal services in a manner which promotes our high standard of community life.

Vision Statement Mount Vernon is a caring community committed to excellence and quality of life, aspiring to be the community of choice for ourselves, our children, and future generations – beautiful, clean, vibrant, and safe. We will strive to preserve our heritage, our friendly hometown atmosphere, and celebrate the diversity of all our citizens.

MINUTES

1,093

Mayor Hyman called the meeting to order and announced a quorum present.

PRESENT

Mayor Pro Tem Mark Huddleston
Councilwoman Sherelyn Roberson
Councilman Harold Cason
Councilwoman Mary Keys
Councilwoman Rebecca Bailey
Craig Lindholm, City Administrator
Kathy Lovier, City Secretary

VISITORS

Russell McCurdy, Lillie Reves, B F Hicks, David Truesdale, Gary and Kathy Boren, Jerrell Lykins, Colin Clasby, Mark Sachse, Cory Taylor, Gary Morrow, Mike Rambin

City Secretary Lovier lead the invocation and Mayor Hyman lead the pledges.

Consent Agenda

1. Minutes 3/13/23, Special Meeting Minutes 3/27/23
February and March 2023 financial reports

Motion made by Councilwoman Bailey, Seconded by Councilwoman Keys.

Voting Yea: Mayor Pro Tem Huddleston, Councilwoman Roberson, Councilman Cason, Councilwoman Keys, Councilwoman Bailey

Report on Items of Community Interest

Mayor Hyman reported Tom Scott Lumber Yard will be celebrating their 100th anniversary.

Citizen Participation

David Truesdale and B F Hicks showed the Council pictures regarding solar panel farms and advises they will keep bringing information and updates each month.

Items to be Considered:

2. Consider and act upon approval of Franklin County Appraisal District 2023-2024 budget.

Motion made by Councilwoman Keys, Seconded by Councilman Cason.

Voting Yea: Mayor Pro Tem Huddleston, Councilwoman Roberson, Councilman Cason, Councilwoman Keys, Councilwoman Bailey

3. Consider and act upon approval or suspension of CenterPoint Energy Rate Adjustment.

Motion made by Councilwoman Bailey made a motion to suspend the adjustment, Seconded by Councilwoman Keys. Voting Yea: Mayor Pro Tem Huddleston, Councilwoman Roberson, Councilman Cason, Councilwoman Keys, Councilwoman Bailey

4. Consider and Act upon approval of amending Food and Food Establishment Ordinance.

Motion made by Mayor Pro Tem Huddleston made a motion to amend the temporary food permit ordinance from seven day temporary permit to the duration of the event only. Seconded by Councilwoman Keys. Voting Yea: Mayor Pro Tem Huddleston, Councilwoman Roberson, Councilman Cason, Councilwoman Keys, Councilwoman Bailey

5. Consider and Act upon approval of amending Peddler's and Solicitors Ordinance

Postponed until May meeting.

6. Consider and Act upon approval of declaring an emergency and authorizing expenditures without competitive bidding regarding utility repairs for Nila and Rutherford Streets, and authorizing the City Administrator to execute any and all necessary documents.

Motion made by Mayor Pro Tem Huddleston, Seconded by Councilwoman Bailey.

Voting Yea: Mayor Pro Tem Huddleston, Councilwoman Roberson, Councilman Cason, Councilwoman Keys, Councilwoman Bailey

Discussion Items and Mayor/Council/City Administrator Reports

City Administrator Lindholm reported the Waste Water Treatment Plant is ready for temporary screw press just waiting for SWEPCO to give clearance, in May we should have the screw press we ordered. There may be no need to rent one.

ISO Review Inspection advised us to upgrade all building inspection code books and approval will be at the May Council meeting.

Presiding Officer to Adjourn the City Council Meeting

Motion made by Mayor Pro Tem Huddleston, Seconded by Councilwoman Bailey.

Voting Yea: Mayor Pro Tem Huddleston, Councilwoman Roberson, Councilman Cason, Councilwoman Keys, Councilwoman Bailey

/s/Brad Hyman

Brad Hyman – Mayor

ATTEST:

/s/ Kathy Lovier

Kathy Lovier – City Secretary