

NORTH VERNON CITY COUNCIL MINUTES
@ THE E.T.C. BUILDING ON O&M AVE
JUNE 22, 2015

The meeting was opened by Mayor Harold Campbell with the Pledge of Allegiance.

Clerk-Treasurer Gerkin completed roll call:

Mayor- Harold N. Campbell

Clerk-Treasurer- R Shawn Gerkin

Attorney- John Roche

Councilmembers-Brian Hatfield

Matthew Hurley (absent)

Michael Ochs

Connie Rayburn

David Shaw

Street Commissioner- Rick Marksberry

Chief of Police- James Webster

Fire Chief- Rick McGill

Park Director- Chad Speer (absent)

Water Superintendent- Mike Hess

Wastewater Superintendent- Russell Vaught

Golf Course Manager- Robin Brown

Assistant Clerk-Treasurer- Rita Elmore (absent)

Guests present: Richard Morin, Lester Lee, Brenda Lee, Michael Meyer, Randall Marshall, Clyde Campbell, Barbara King, Chris Ertel, Jack Kelley, Nick Megel, Karen Snyder, Mark Holwager, and Chris Lowe.

Councilwoman Rayburn asked that the minutes of the June 8, 2015 be changed to show the motion to waive the first reading of a rezone request was approved 5-0. Councilman Hatfield asked that the minutes be changed to say that the discussion of the quarry will take place during the City Council meeting, not before. With those two changes, Councilwoman Rayburn made the motion to approve the minutes, seconded by Councilman Hatfield, motion carried 4-0.

The first item on the agenda was discussion of the quarry as a water supply for the City. Clyde Campbell, representing Jennings Water, told Council that Jennings Water was interested in being the supplier of water for the City of North Vernon. A rate would need to be negotiated to make that happen. Jack Kelley, Mark Holwager, and Lester Lee had questions and concerns about the quarry, including the cost of acquisition and safety of the water. North Vernon Redevelopment President Chris Ertel and RLM Engineer Richard Morin spoke on the history of discussion the quarry project and answered questions regarding costs and safety of the water. No motions or votes were taken on the topic.

Chief Webster presented Council with an update for the department's general orders. Updates were made to order numbers 12, 13, 14, 16, 20-25, 27, 28, 29, 31, 32, 33, 37 and 50. After a brief discussion of the changes, Council Ochs made the motion to accept the changes, seconded by Councilwoman Rayburn. Motion carried 4-0.

Chief Webster also asked Council for permission to transfer funds within the police department's general budget. The department wishes to transfer \$3000.00 from Police Salaries to fund 101-000-06-308, Introduction & Hiring Process and \$2850.00 from Police Salaries to 101-000-06-345, Building Maintenance. Councilman Ochs made the motion to grant the transfer of funds, seconded by Councilwoman Rayburn, motion carried 4-0.

The final item on the agenda was "Transfer of Funds within the E.T.C. Budget". Clerk-treasurer Gerkin told Council that the E.T.C. had spent 98% of the approved maintenance budget and needed to transfer funds to keep the line item out of the negative. However, with Economic Development Director Kathy Ertel being out of town, he felt the transfer request should wait until getting input from the E.D.C. No motions or votes were taken on the subject.

Street Commissioner Rick Marksberry told Council that nine (9) certified letters had been mailed out in regards to grass mowing for those lawns that City Street Department has had to mow.

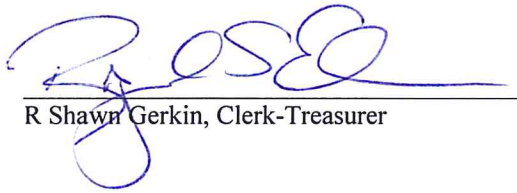
Fire Chief Rick McGill informed Council that the repair work to Station 61 has been completed and that he and Clerk-treasurer Gerkin continue to move forward with PERF in getting the 77 Fund established for the fire department in preparation for hiring a full time firefighter.

Storm Water Superintendent Russell Vaught informed Council that, contrary to a comment made earlier in the meeting implying otherwise, that the Long Term Control Plan was on schedule according the schedule laid out by IDEM. Phase 1 is completed and Phase 2 is on schedule. Also, work is scheduled to begin on Gilbert Street on a stormwater drainage project within the next week.

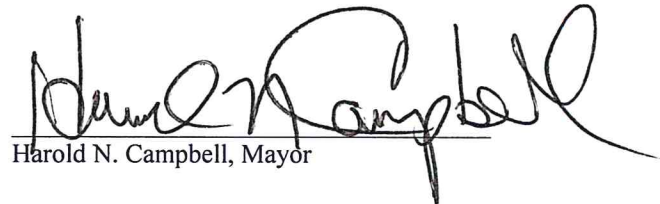
Councilwoman Rayburn made the motion to pay the claims presented, seconded by Councilman Ochs. Motion carried 4-0.

Councilman Hatfield made the motion to adjourn, seconded by Councilman Shaw. Motion carried 4-0.

Meeting adjourned at 8:07 P.M.



R Shawn Gerkin, Clerk-Treasurer



Harold N. Campbell, Mayor