

City of Vernon Center  
Council Special Meeting  
11-17-22 7am

Council Present: Emily Edwards, Mayor Dana Ziegler, Eric Pederson, Lisa Peterson; Absent: Wendy Bennett

Staff Present: Supervisor Mark Willette, Clerk Diane Roelofs

Others: none

Mayor Dana Ziegler opened the meeting at 7am.

**Agenda:** After review, Councilor Edwards approved the agenda. 2<sup>nd</sup> by Councilor Peterson, all approved, motion carried.

**Public Comment:** none

**Election Results:** Council reviewed the election results from Blue Earth County stating that the mayoral position had 108 votes for Dana Ziegler and 1 write-in vote and 2 council positions to elect 2 of the highest votes had Lisa Peterson receiving 91 votes, Adam Finney received 89 and 4 write-ins were received. Results would affirm Dana Ziegler as mayor and Lisa Peterson and Adam Finney as the 2 council members to be officially elected. The total number of persons registered were 186 with 113 accepted mail ballots and 113 number of persons voting. Councilor Edwards made a motion to accept & certify the results of the City of Vernon Center abstract of votes cast. 2<sup>nd</sup> by Councilor Pederson, all approved, motion carried.

**Infrastructure Update & Easement:** A copy previously reviewed by council for signing was reviewed for final approval by council. Upon approval the easement should be recorded to the county. Councilor Peterson made a motion to approve the Schmiesing easement for a temporary road and WWTF access and to have it certified to the county. 2<sup>nd</sup> by Councilor Pederson, all approved, motion carried.

Supervisor Willette gave an update on the progress of the project stating crews should be done cleaning up and moving out of town by the end of the week. The pipe that was discovered in the alley behind the post office was investigated and turned out to be an abandoned sewer line.

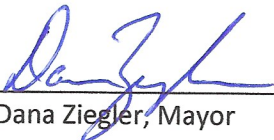
Reminder was given to council of the upcoming budget meeting on Dec. 6<sup>th</sup> and due to 10% inflation council should give deep consideration of the tax levy for 2023.

**Next Meeting:** Tuesday, Dec. 6, 2022

**Adjourn:** Councilor Pederson made a motion to adjourn at 7:17am. 2<sup>nd</sup> by Councilor Edwards, all approved, motion carried.

Respectfully submitted by:

  
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Diane Roelofs, Clerk

  
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Dana Ziegler, Mayor

12-6-22  
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Date approved