

**MINUTES OF CITY COUNCIL MEETING
VALLEY GRANDE, ALABAMA**

Regular Meeting

July 18, 2016

Call to order by Wayne Labbe, Mayor at 6:00 PM

Meeting held at Valley Grande City Hall

Minutes submitted by: Janet Frasier, City Clerk

Presiding: Mayor Labbe

Invocation: Wayne Labbe

In Attendance:

Wayne Labbe, Mayor	Present
Tim White	Present
Ronald Sawyer	Present
Donna Downs	Present
Patsy Moore	Present
Kenneth Martin	Present

Quorum was made with all council members present.

The minutes from the July 11, 2016 regular meeting were presented by Janet Frasier. Motion was made by Donna Downs to receive the minutes as read. Ronnie Sawyer made the second. Motion carried by unanimous consent of the council by a show of hands vote.

<u>SHOW OF HANDS VOTE</u>	<u>YEA</u>	<u>NAY</u>
Wayne Labbe	X	
Tim White	X	
Ronald Sawyer	X	
Donna Downs	X	
Patsy Moore	X	
Kenneth Martin	X	

Committee Reports:

Public Safety Work Committee: No report.

Reports of Officers:

Boyd Pugh /Public Safety Director: No report.

Sam Smitherman/Building Inspector: Sam Smitherman reported nine houses currently permitted and 1 remodel in progress.

Harvey Holley/Sports and Recreation Coordinator: No report.

Tim White /Public Safety & Beautification Advisory Group: Tim White stated that he would like to get the scoreboards installed and asked that anyone who could help him to contact him regarding a date and time.

Ronald Sawyer /Parks & Recreation Advisory Group: Ronnie Sawyer stated that he is still waiting on the signs to be made for the park. Mayor Labbe stated that he has the posts for them to be placed at the park.

Donna Downs/Business/Community Development & Education Advisory Group: No report.

Patsy Moore/Annexation & Zoning Advisory Group: Patsy Moore reported that we are still waiting on the price of installation of the swing set. She stated that she expects the total costs to be approximately \$5,000.

Patsy Moore made a motion to order the swing set and have it installed. Tim White made the second. Motion carried with unanimous consent of the council by a show of hands vote.

<u>SHOW OF HANDS VOTE</u>	<u>YEA</u>	<u>NAY</u>
Wayne Labbe	X	
Tim White	X	
Ronald Sawyer	X	
Donna Downs	X	
Patsy Moore	X	
Kenneth Martin	X	

Mayor Labbe stated that he has spoken to Matt at Living Waters regarding his youth group doing volunteer work at the park. He suggested that Patsy get in touch with him.

Patsy Moore further reported that there is still a problem with the people renting the pavilion. She stated that something needs to be done about the trash left after people rent the pavilion on the weekend.

Kenneth Martin /Public Relations & History Advisory Group: No report.

Old Business: Mayor Labbe brought the Drug Task Force donation back before the council for consideration.

A motion was made by Kenneth Martin to donate \$2,000 to the Drug Task Force. Patsy Moore made the second. Motion carried with a majority consent of the council with one opposing vote.

<u>SHOW OF HANDS VOTE</u>	<u>YEA</u>	<u>NAY</u>
Wayne Labbe	X	
Tim White	X	
Ronald Sawyer		X
Donna Downs	X	
Patsy Moore	X	
Kenneth Martin	X	

New Business:

Mayor Labbe presented the council with Resolution 2016-50 a resolution to set compensation for the Absentee Election Manager. A motion was made by Kenneth Martin to adopt Resolution 2016-50. Donna Downs made the second. Motion carried with unanimous consent of the council by a show of hands vote.

<u>SHOW OF HANDS VOTE</u>	<u>YEA</u>	<u>NAY</u>
Wayne Labbe	X	
Tim White	X	
Ronald Sawyer	X	
Donna Downs	X	
Patsy Moore	X	
Kenneth Martin	X	

Mayor Labbe declared Resolution 2016-50 adopted as attached to these minutes.

Resolution # 2016-50

RESOLUTION SETTING COMPENSATION FOR ABSENTEE ELECTION MANAGER

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF VALLEY GRANDE, ALABAMA, AS FOLLOWS:

Section 1. Compensation for the Absentee Election Manager for the City of Valley Grande, shall be and the same is hereby fixed at the sum of \$50.00 per day for each day absentee elections services are performed from the date of delivery of the absentee ballots to the absentee election manager and including the day of the election, to be paid from the city treasury, including any and all days up to a run-off election if required, not to exceed 45 days.

Section 2. This resolution is adopted pursuant to Section 17-11-14 Code of Alabama, 1975, and shall be effective for all municipal elections, both general and special, held in the year 2016.

ADOPTED THIS THE 18th DAY OF JULY, 2016.

Mayor's Report:

Mayor Labbe stated that he has had a lot of positive feedback from the community regarding the July 4th celebration.

He further reported that the sewer fencing project has started. The area around the lagoon has been bush hogged and the project is underway.

Mayor Labbe reminded everyone that July 19th is the last date to qualify as a candidate for the city council or mayor positions in the upcoming election.

Donna Downs stated Resolution 2016-48 should be repealed. She stated that it should have been on first reading due to it being a permanent operation. She stated that she had talked to the League of Municipalities and they said it was zoning and a council cannot do zoning. She stated that the Subdivision regulations only cover roads, drainage and water. She stated that zoning issues have to be done with a planning commission.

Mayor Labbe stated that Valley Grande does not have zoning. He showed a copy of the subdivision regulations and read a statement saying that the adoption of any amendment to the subdivision regulations shall be by resolution of the council with an affirmative vote of the majority of the city council. He stated that this was the way the subdivision regulations were adopted as an ordinance by the previous mayor and council and that is where the council stands. Mayor Labbe stated that will check with the league but until then the resolution stands.

There being no further business to come before the council, a motion to adjourn was made by Ronnie Sawyer. Tim White made the second. The motion was carried by unanimous consent of the council.

The meeting was adjourned at 6:24 PM.

Approved: _____
Wayne Labbe, Mayor

Attested: _____
Janet Frasier, City Clerk