

MINUTES OF CITY COUNCIL MEETING

VALLEY GRANDE, ALABAMA

Regular Meeting

October 16, 2017

Call to order by Matt Dobbs, Mayor at 6:00 PM

Meeting held at Valley Grande City Hall

Minutes submitted by: Janet Frasier, City Clerk

Presiding: Matt Dobbs, Mayor

Invocation: Matt Dobbs

In Attendance:

Matt Dobbs, Mayor	Present
Tim White	Present
Ronald Sawyer	Present
Lamar Morgan	Present
Tammy Troha	Present
Jimmy Johnson	Present

Quorum was made with all council members present.

The minutes from the September 18, 2017 regular meeting were presented by Janet Frasier. Motion was made by Jimmy Johnson to accept the minutes as presented. Tammy Troha made the second. Motion carried with unanimous consent of the council members present by a show of hands vote.

<u>SHOW OF HANDS VOTE</u>	<u>YEA</u>	<u>NAY</u>
Matt Dobbs	X	
Tim White	X	
Ronald Sawyer	X	
Lamar Morgan	X	
Tammy Troha	X	
Jimmy Johnson	X	

The minutes from the October 2, 2017 regular meeting were presented by Janet Frasier. Motion was made by Lamar Morgan to accept the minutes as presented. Jimmy Johnson made the second. Motion carried with unanimous consent of the council members present by a show of hands vote.

<u>SHOW OF HANDS VOTE</u>	<u>YEA</u>	<u>NAY</u>
Matt Dobbs	X	
Tim White	X	
Ronald Sawyer	X	
Lamar Morgan	X	
Tammy Troha	X	
Jimmy Johnson	X	

Reports of Officers:

Boyd Pugh /Public Safety Director: Boyd Pugh reported a total of 12 fire calls for the month of September and 9 so far during the month of October. He further stated that the sewer lagoon reports showed that it was not in compliance during the month of September and the pre-construction conference for the second part of the sewer pipe grant was held last week. Construction on moving the sewer pipes should start soon.

Sam Smitherman/Building Inspector: Sam Smitherman reported 7 houses currently under construction. The Golf Course construction should be complete within the next couple of weeks.

Tim White /Zoning, Annexation and Sewer System: Tim White reported that he has talked with Mitt Pearson regarding the ramp at the pavilion and it should be completed before Christmas in the Park.

Ronald Sawyer / Beautification and Education: No report.

Lamar Morgan / Public Safety: Lamar Morgan reported that he is still waiting to receive the camera specifications for the camera bid. The hay is being cut on the 90 acres and Selma Fence is not going to be able to repair the fence at the park. He suggested that we have another fence company give a quote for the work. Tammy Troha stated that she would call Morrow Fence Company to meet with her and Lamar for a quote.

Tammy Troha / Parks and Recreation: Tammy Troha reported that she has been working on Christmas in the Park. She is having a lot of response from vendors and the beauty pageant. She stated that the charge for vendors as well as pageant contestants is \$25. She asked that the council approve that the money collected for these things be allowed to go back into the budget for Christmas in the Park.

Ronnie Sawyer made a motion to allow any money collected for the pageant or from vendors be allowed to go back into the Christmas in the Park budget. 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>
Matt Dobbs	X	
Tim White	X	
Ronald Sawyer	X	
Lamar Morgan	X	
Tammy Troha	X	
Jimmy Johnson	X	

Jimmy Johnson / Business and Community Development: Jimmy Johnson reported there were no bids received on the mobile home but since the bid had been made aware of some interest in bidding. He suggested that the mobile home be re-bid.

A motion was made by Jimmy Johnson to place the mobile home for bid with the same minimum bid accepted of \$8,000 and accept bids until October 27, 2017. Lamar Morgan made the second. Motion carried with unanimous consent of the council members present by a show of hands vote.

<u>SHOW OF HANDS VOTE</u>	<u>YEA</u>	<u>NAY</u>
Matt Dobbs	X	
Tim White	X	
Ronald Sawyer	X	
Lamar Morgan	X	
Tammy Troha	X	
Jimmy Johnson	X	

Old Business:

Mayor Dobbs recommended that the council consider making a donation to Dallas County High School. He stated that the principal had come to the council meeting and had given details of how the donation would be used, as the council had requested.

A motion was made by Lamar Morgan to donate \$4,000 to Dallas County High School. Tammy Troha made the second. Motion carried with a majority vote of the council by a show of hands vote. Tim White abstained from the vote.

<u>SHOW OF HANDS VOTE</u>	<u>YEA</u>	<u>NAY</u>
Matt Dobbs	X	
Tim White	Abstain	
Ronald Sawyer	X	
Lamar Morgan	X	
Tammy Troha	X	
Jimmy Johnson	X	

New Business:

Mayor Dobbs presented Ordinance #2017-78 amending Ordinance #2007-40 to adjust the business license issuance fees and called for a motion to suspend the rules for final adoption of the ordinance.

A motion was made by Ronnie Sawyer that all rules governing the council which might, unless suspended, prevent the passage and adoption of the resolution at this meeting, be suspended for the purpose of permitting the resolution to be finally passed and adopted at this meeting. Lamar Morgan made the second. Motion carried with unanimous consent of the council by roll call vote.

<u>ROLL CALL VOTE</u>	<u>YEA</u>	<u>NAY</u>
Matt Dobbs	X	
Tim White	X	
Ronald Sawyer	X	
Lamar Morgan	X	
Tammy Troha	X	
Jimmy Johnson	X	

Jimmy Johnson made the motion that Ordinance #2017-78 be finally passed and adopted as introduced. Tim White made the second. Motion carried with unanimous consent of the council by roll call vote.

<u>ROLL CALL VOTE</u>	<u>YEA</u>	<u>NAY</u>
Matt Dobbs	X	
Tim White	X	
Ronald Sawyer	X	
Lamar Morgan	X	
Tammy Troha	X	
Jimmy Johnson	X	

Mayor Dobbs declared Ordinance #2017-78 adopted as attached to these minutes.

Ordinance # 2017-78

An ordinance amending Ordinance #2007-40 to adjust the issuance fees

WHEREAS, Section 11-51-90 Code of Alabama 1975, requires the Department of Revenue to distribute information related to municipal business license issuance fees every five years. As a result, per the provisions of Section 11-51-90, municipal business license issuance fees may remain or be adjusted to a maximum of \$12.00, at the discretion of the municipality.

THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED by the City Council of the City of Valley Grande, Alabama as follows:

- I. Section 3 of Ordinance #2007-40 of the City of Valley Grande which was adopted by the City Council of the said City and approved by the Mayor of said City on October 15, 2007, is hereby amended so that said Section 3 (a) shall read as follows:

There shall be a \$12 issuance fee for all license

Fees for business licenses are non-refundable.

- II. This ordinance shall become effective November 1, 2017 for license year beginning January 1, 2018.

Adopted and approved this 16th day of October, 2017.

Public Comment: None

Mayor's Report:

Mayor Dobbs stated that Janet had given him the Profit & Loss report for the year ending September 30, 2017. He stated that due to the capital accounts that were not budgeted in the previous budget, we may be over budget but still well with the 10 percent reserve. He stated that he will review with Janet at a later date.

There being no further business to come before the council, a motion to adjourn was made by Tammy Troha. Ronnie Sawyer made the second. The motion was carried by unanimous consent of the council. The meeting was adjourned at 6:31 PM.

Approved: _____
Matt Dobbs, Mayor

Attested: _____
Janet Frasier, City Clerk