

**MINUTES OF CITY COUNCIL MEETING**

**VALLEY GRANDE, ALABAMA**

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***Regular Meeting***

***March 5, 2018***

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 February 20, 2018 regular meeting were presented by Janet Frasier. Motion was made by Jimmy Johnson to accept the minutes as presented. Lamar Morgan made the second. Motion carried with majority 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	

**Reports of Officers:**

Boyd Pugh /Public Safety Director: Boyd Pugh reported ten fire calls during the month of February and one call so far during the month of March.

Sam Smitherman/Building Inspector: Sam Smitherman reported five homes currently in construction.

Tim White /Zoning, Annexation and Sewer System: Tim White reported that water meter at the lagoon has been put in place and work seems to be finished on the sewer project. Mayor Dobbs commented that he has a meeting with the Engineer and Alabama Tombigbee scheduled for Wednesday.

Ronald Sawyer / Beautification and Education: No report.

Lamar Morgan / Public Safety: No report.

Tammy Troha / Parks and Recreation: Tammy Troha asked about the status of the Tap Grant. Mayor Dobbs stated that he had received a letter stating that we should hear from the Department of Transportation in May. He will check with Will Barrett to confirm the status.

Jimmy Johnson / Business and Community Development: Jimmy Johnson reported that he has been looking at property for potential retail business locations within the city limits.

### **Old Business:**

Bubba Holley reported that he has had two registrations for tee ball, softball and baseball. So far he has 153 children sign up to participate. He has had reports of others wanting to sign up so he has extended the registration for another week. He anticipates at least 5 tee ball teams, 4 coach pitch baseball teams and 3 coach pitch girls' softball teams. He is hoping to have enough participation to have player pitch baseball ages 8 – 10. Bubba stated that the season will start April 9<sup>th</sup> and will last approximately 8 weeks. The games will be played during the week. Only makeup games will be played on Saturdays.

Bubba further reported that he has 16 businesses that have agreed to be sponsors for the teams and purchased banners. He asked the council for approval to have cards made for the sponsors to allow free admission to the park for them and one other guest. All council members agreed.

Tammy Troha asked about the gate keepers being hired through the city. Bubba stated that he had discussed it with Janet and they had agreed to hire people over 18 years old for both the gate keeper and the score keepers.

Bubba stated that he has had several parents express interest in having a football league in Valley Grande. He will check into the cost of the uniforms and other details and report back to the council. Tim White stated that the reason the City did not move forward with the program before was because it interfered with the Upward Soccer program and liability issues. Tim White stated that he would like to see the program get started and asked Janet to check on liability insurance.

### **New Business:**

The council discussed that it is time to re-bid the lawn maintenance for all City properties. They agreed to discuss the bid requirements and address the specific requirements before putting it out for bid.

**Public Comment:** None

### **Mayor's Report:**

Mayor Dobbs reported that Pastor Matt Klimis of No Limit Church had contacted him about having a free community baseball camp at the Sports Complex. Pastor Klimis was a college baseball player and would like to bring in other athletes to provide a day camp. He would like to have the camp Saturday, May 5, 2018. All council members agreed to allow him to have the camp at the Sports Complex.

There being no further business to come before the council, a motion to adjourn was made by Ronnie Sawyer. Lamar Morgan made the second. The motion was carried by unanimous consent of the council. The meeting was adjourned at 6:41 PM.

Approved: \_\_\_\_\_  
Matt Dobbs, Mayor

Attested: \_\_\_\_\_  
Janet Frasier, City Clerk