

**MINUTES OF CITY COUNCIL MEETING**

**VALLEY GRANDE, ALABAMA**

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***Regular Meeting***

***December 17, 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 December 3, 2018 regular meeting were presented by Janet Frasier. Motion was made by Jimmy Johnson to accept the minutes as presented. Ronnie Sawyer 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	

**Reports of Officers:**

Boyd Pugh /Public Safety Director: Boyd Pugh reported 7 fire calls so far during the month of November with one fatality and 2 calls for the month of December with 2 fatalities. He further reported that EMC was unable to launch the boat into the sewer lagoon. A backhoe may be needed to move the dirt from the bottom of the launch area.

Sam Smitherman/Building Inspector: Sam Smitherman reported 10 houses currently permitted with 4 about to be ready for final inspection.

Tim White /Zoning, Annexation and Sewer System: Tim White reported that he will try to have someone remove the dirt and allow the boat to be launched to treat the duckweed at the sewer lagoon.

Ronald Sawyer / Beautification and Education: Ronnie Sawyer reported that Teen Challenge has started the trash pick up on the roads through out the City.

Lamar Morgan / Public Safety: Lamar Morgan reported that construction of the new storage building is complete but needs slag to go around the building.

A motion was made by Lamar Morgan to order 2 loads of slag. One for the parking lot at the sports complex and the other to be spread around the storage building. Ronnie Sawyer 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	

Lamar further reported that he has spoken to Joe Smith regarding the installation of electricity at the storage shed. He is waiting on a quote for the work needed.

Tammy Troha / Parks and Recreation: Tammy Troha expressed her disappointment in having to cancel Christmas in the Park due to the weather.

Jimmy Johnson / Business and Community Development: Jimmy Johnson reported that David Oliver has contracted with a Timber management company to clear the land to enable him to start on the project. He is still waiting on the weather to clear.

**Old Business:** Lamar Morgan stated that he has spoken with District Attorney, Michael Jackson and recommends the council make a donation to the Drug Task Force.

A motion was made by Lamar Morgan to make a donation to the Fourth Judicial Circuit Drug Task Force in the amount of \$2,500. 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	

**New Business:** Mayor Dobbs reminded the council that it is time for the annual bid for the sports complex concessions.

A motion was made by Ronnie Sawyer that the concessions at the sports complex be put out for bid and posted for two weeks with a minimum bid requirement of \$1,000 (one thousand dollars) with

the same stipulations as last year. Tim White made the second. Motion carried with unanimous consent of the council with 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	

**Public Comment:**

Business owners Robbie Rose, Tammy Rose, Carl Jones and Sarah Day addressed the council concerning the new business license ordinance. They expressed their concerns over the increase and stated they felt they should have been notified earlier about the changes. They asked for clarification on the calculations of the license. The mayor and council addressed their concerns to try to resolve all questions.

**Mayor's Report:** No report

There being no further business to come before the council, a motion to adjourn was made by Tim White. Lamar Morgan made the second. The motion was carried by unanimous consent of the council. The meeting was adjourned at 6:56 PM.

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

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