

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

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***Regular Meeting***

***November 2, 2015***

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

Meeting held at Valley Grande City Hall

Minutes submitted by: Janet Frasier, City Clerk

Presiding: Mayor Wayne Labbe

Invocation: Jane Craig

**In Attendance:**

Wayne Labbe, Mayor	Present
Tim White	Present
Ronald Sawyer	Present
Donna Downs	Present
Jane Craig	Present
Kenneth Martin	Present

Quorum was made with all council members present.

The minutes from the October 19, 2015 regular meeting were presented by Janet Frasier. Motion was made by Donna Downs to receive the minutes as read. Tim White 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	
Jane Craig	X	
Kenneth Martin	X	

**Reports of Officers:**

Boyd Pugh /Public Safety Director: Boyd Pugh reported 13 fire calls in the month of October.

Sam Smitherman/Building Inspector: Sam Smitherman reported 6 active building permits and 2 new permits that have not started construction.

Harvey Holley/Sports and Recreation Coordinator: Harvey Holley reported that the portable fencing for the baseball field has been ordered.

Tim White /Public Safety & Beautification Advisory Group: Tim White reported there has been a problem with the irrigation system at the walking trail causing a very high water bill. The system has been turned off and John Guthrie has been contacted to make repairs.

Ronald Sawyer /Parks & Recreation Advisory Group: Ronal Sawyer reported that he has approved the signs for the park and they are now being printed.

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

Jane Craig /Annexation & Zoning Advisory Group: No report.

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

**Old Business:**

Mayor Labbe explained that the renovations in City Hall have started. The storage rooms are almost complete. He then presented a proposal to the council for new office furniture for the offices costing approximately \$2,100. He explained that most of the furniture needed replacing and some of it was borrowed from the fire department.

A motion was made by Ronnie Sawyer to purchase the new office furniture. 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	
Jane Craig	X	
Kenneth Martin	X	

**New Business:**

Jana Garner introduced herself to the council and stated that she is a candidate for Circuit Judge in the upcoming election. She explained that she is trying to meet the community leaders and get to know the communities in the Fourth Circuit counties of Bibb, Dallas, Hale, Perry and Wilcox. She stated that she has practiced law in the Fourth Circuit for 18 years. She asked that the council and residents visit her website to learn more about her and her goals as Circuit Judge.

Jane Craig stated that she had talked to Kim Ballard regarding Camp Grist. She let him know if there was anything that the council could do to help the county, please let the council know. Mayor Labbe stated that he had also talked with him about this issue.

**Mayor's Report:**

Mayor Labbe further reported that Bill Hamner has a draft to present to the council at the next meeting regarding the requirements for a new police department.

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

The meeting was adjourned at 6:30 PM.

Approved: \_\_\_\_\_  
Wayne Labbe, Mayor

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