

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

Regular Meeting

May 18, 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	Absent

Quorum was made with five council members present. Kenneth Martin was absent from the meeting.

The minutes from the April 20, 2015 regular meeting were presented by Janet Frasier. Motion was made by Ronnie Sawyer to receive the minutes as amended. Tim White made the second. Motion carried by majority consent of the council members present by a show of hands vote. Donna Downs abstained from the vote.

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

Reports of Officers:

Boyd Pugh /Public Safety Director: Boyd Pugh reported 7 fire calls so far during the month of May. Selma fire department was called to assist in two calls because of lack of manpower.

Sam Smitherman/Building Inspector: No report

Harvey Holley/Sports and Recreation Coordinator: No report.

Tim White /Public Safety & Beautification Advisory Group: Tim White had no report. Jane Craig stated that the wooden fence between the walking trail and the house still needs repair.

Ronald Sawyer /Parks & Recreation Advisory Group: Ronald Sawyer reported that Morrow Ornamental has not started work on the fence between the pavilion and the walking trail. He is working on getting Handicap signs for the sports complex.

Donna Downs/Business/Community Development & Education Advisory Group: Donna Downs reported that Friday, May 15, 2015, Subway had their official grand opening.

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

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

Old Business:

Mayor Labbe stated that Ray Hogg has completed the survey of the residents in the Overlook Hills neighborhood to prepare for the sewer grant application. The public hearing to discuss the City's submission of the application for the Community Development Block Grant was held today at 5:30 p.m.

Mayor Labbe further stated that the balance of the Capital Improvement account is \$44,149.89 and can be used for the 10% matching funds for the sewer grant.

New Business:

Ronnie Sawyer stated that he felt there would be more participation at the Flight Field if gas airplanes were allowed to be flown.

After discussion, a motion was made by Ronnie Sawyer to allow gas planes to be flown at the Flight Field for a trial period of four months. Tim White made the second. Motion carried with unanimous consent of the council members present by 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	Absent	

Mayor Labbe presented Resolution 2015-38 committing \$45,000 in matching funds for the CDBG grant and authorizing Mayor Labbe to sign the application and all pertinent paperwork.

A motion was made by Donna Downs to adopt resolution 2015-38. Ronnie Sawyer made the second. Motion carried by unanimous consent of the council members present by a Roll Call vote.

<u>ROLL CALL 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

Absent

RESOLUTION #2015-38

RESOLUTION OF THE CITY OF VALLEY GRANDE

WHEREAS, the City of Valley Grande is applying for a Community Development Block Grant from the Alabama Department of Economic and Community Affairs to rehabilitate sewer lines; and,

WHEREAS, the City of Valley Grande recognizes the need for the rehabilitation of the lines; and

WHEREAS, the City of Valley Grande wishes to apply for \$450,000 in CDBG funds and commits \$45,000 cash towards a total project of \$495,000;

BE IT THEREFORE RESOLVED, the City of Valley Grande, adopts this resolution committing match and authorizes Mayor Wayne Labbe to sign the application and all pertinent paperwork.

ADOPTED, this the 18th day of May 2015.

Mayor Labbe declared Resolution 2015-38 adopted.

Mayor's Report:

Mayor Labbe reported that he has met with the EDA regarding the International Pilot training facility is still considering Selma as a location. The decision should be made within the next couple of months. It could have between 600 and 700 employees. He expects an increase in residential building in the Valley Grande area and is hoping it will increase the chance of getting the Highway widened through Valley Grande.

Mayor Labbe stated that Saturday will be the Championship Saturday at the Sports complex. He asked that any council members that could help to please be at the complex by 8:30 am. The City will be feeding the players and their families. He further stated that to date a total of 5,423.00 has been collected for admission fees and concessions.

Mayor Labbe reported a sewer line from the bathroom to the septic tank has broken. It is covered right now and will have to be repaired after baseball season.

Mayor Labbe reported that he met with Coach Moore regarding the softball team from Dallas County High School playing their home games at the Sports Complex. They will be meeting again within the next couple of weeks. He stated that high school would collect the admissions but the City would collect the concessions during these games.

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

The meeting was adjourned at 6:26 PM.

Approved: _____
Wayne Labbe, Mayor

Attested: _____
Janet Frasier, City Clerk