

## MINUTES OF CITY COUNCIL MEETING

### VALLEY GRANDE, ALABAMA

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#### ***Regular Meeting***

***April 3, 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	Absent
Lamar Morgan	Present
Tammy Troha	Absent
Jimmy Johnson	Present

Quorum was made with four council members present. Tammy Troh and Ronald Sawyer were absent from the meeting.

The minutes from the March 6, 2017 regular meeting were presented by Janet Frasier. Motion was made by Tim White to accept the minutes as presented. Jimmy Johnson made the second. Motion carried by majority 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	Absent	
Lamar Morgan	X	
Tammy Troha	Absent	
Jimmy Johnson	X	

#### **Reports of Officers:**

**Boyd Pugh /Public Safety Director:** Boyd Pugh reported 15 fire calls during the month of March including one structure fire and one so far during the month of April.

**Sam Smitherman/Building Inspector:** Sam Smitherman reported 10 houses in construction at this time.

**Tim White /Zoning, Annexation and Sewer System:** Tim White reported that the flag and flagpole for the sports complex has been received. He suggested that the council get together and do the

installation. He further stated that the Woodmen of the World would like to schedule a time for a ceremony after the installation is complete.

Tim White also stated that the work on the baseball fields has been completed.

Ronald Sawyer / Beautification and Education: No report.

Lamar Morgan / Public Safety: Lamar Morgan presented the council with his recommendations for the Public Safety committee.

Jimmy Johnson made a motion to approve the members of the Public Safety Committee as follows: Lamar Morgan, Tim White, Jimmy Johnson, Kevin Box, Boyd Pugh and Julie Drinkard. Tim White 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	Absent	
Lamar Morgan	X	
Tammy Troha	Absent	
Jimmy Johnson	X	

Tammy Troha / Parks and Recreation: No report.

Jimmy Johnson / Business and Community Development: Jimmy Johnson reported that he has been talking with the property owner of the land adjacent to the Public Safety Building. The property owner is willing to sell the property and the home. He has asked Oscar Bostick to appraise the property. He will report back to the council.

**Old Business:** No report.

**New Business:**

A representative from Revenue Discovery System presented the council with their Revenue Discovery and Recovery Program. The program is designed to recover delinquent business license fees due to the city. He explained that there is no upfront cost and based on service results. RDS will receive a 50% fee from any business licenses recovered from the service. This fee is for past licenses owed to the jurisdiction. The council agreed to discuss further when all council members were present.

Cody Massey addressed the council and asked that they consider purchasing a utility vehicle or tractor for use to maintain the baseball fields. Lamar Morgan agreed to check prices of small tractors and report back to the council.

Cody further stated that he has had positive feedback regarding the possibility of a Men's summer softball league and women's summer softball league as well as the co-ed league in the fall.

**Public Comments:** None

**Mayor's Report:** Mayor Dobbs reminded the council of the Alabama-Tombigbee Regional Commission Semi-Annual Meeting on Wednesday, April 12, 2017 at the Civic Center in Demopolis.

Mayor Dobbs reported that he had received a letter from the Selma/Dallas County Library thanking them for the donation. He also announced that all council members were invited to attend the Special Olympics competition that will be held Wednesday.

Mayor Dobbs presented the council with a letter received from Todd Reece, principal at Dallas County High School stating that the school uses the annual donations for payments on the Xerox machine and helps pay the phone bill for the office. The council agreed to wait until all council members are present to discuss further.

There being no further business to come before the council, a motion to adjourn was made by Jimmy Johnson. 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