

MINUTES OF CITY COUNCIL MEETING

VALLEY GRANDE, ALABAMA

Regular Meeting

June 5, 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: Jimmy Johnson

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 May 15, 2017 regular meeting were presented by Janet Frasier. Motion was made by Lamar Morgan to accept the minutes as presented. Jimmy Johnson 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	

The minutes from the May 30, 2017 special meeting were presented by Janet Frasier. Motion was made by Tammy Troha to accept the minutes as presented. Lamar Morgan 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 12 fire calls during the month of May. Classes for the fire fighters will start tonight.

Sam Smitherman/Building Inspector: Sam Smitherman reported 8 houses in construction and several service inspections during the month of May.

Tim White /Zoning, Annexation and Sewer System: Tim White reported that Chris Reid is going to install the flag pole at the sports complex and the ceremony with Woodmen of the World is scheduled for June 29 at 6:00 pm.

Tim White also stated that he had spoken with Mr. Gene Wilson regarding his grandson's Boy Scout project to paint the tables. He asked if the council would agree to have the tables painted green to match the roof at the pavilion. All council members agreed.

Ronald Sawyer / Beautification and Education: Ronnie Sawyer reported that J&S Electric is going to check on the power for the fireworks and the flight field.

Lamar Morgan / Public Safety: No Report

Tammy Troha / Parks and Recreation: Tammy Troha reported that the baseball trophy ceremony went well and the Dallas County Beta Club was present to assist with the ceremony. She has ordered banners for the Independence Day Celebration.

Jimmy Johnson / Business and Community Development: No report.

Old Business: Ronnie Sawyer stated that he had checked prices for a shed to be placed at the flight field. The shed can also be used to store the outdoor tables and used during the fourth of July. The price of the 21' x 22' shed, delivered and installed, is \$2,267.50

A motion was made by Ronnie Sawyer to purchase the shed for \$2,267.50. Lamar Morgan 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 Morgan stated that he has talked with a company regarding cameras for the streets as suggested by the Sheriff's Department. Boyd Pugh stated that he met with the sheriff deputies and they recommended 4 cameras. Boyd is working on getting prices from Selcom.

New Business:

Mayor Dobbs explained that the sewer had to have a pump replaced and another pump added to help get the sewer into compliance. EMC has request that a water line be installed to have clean water to wash the nitrate tower and basin. Also, the nitrate tower needs to have a cover over it to prevent algae from growing in it. We are waiting for a plumber to give us a quote for having the

water lines installed and we have contacted Chris Reid regarding a cover for the nitrate tower. EMC is scheduling a sludge analysis for the lagoon before meeting with them for their recommendations.

Lamar Morgan asked about the past due receivables for sewer payments. Janet Frasier explained that she has contacted a collection agency, however there is a concern because not all of the residents signed the original agreements to pay. Janet stated that she is scheduled to attend a seminar in Montgomery to learn more about the Municipal Intercept Services that allows municipalities to collect delinquent debts through state tax refunds.

Mayor Dobbs stated that he would like to talk to an attorney to see what options the city has and what options could be offered to the residents of Overlook Hills.

Mayor Dobbs presented the council with a proposed subdivision from Darren McGilberry on County Road 81. The subdivision includes 8 lots, all with road frontage so no additional roads are needed. Mr. McGilberry has stated that it will be site built homes and restrictive covenants are being prepared. Mayor Dobbs suggested the council wait until the covenants are submitted before approving the subdivision.

Tammy Troha informed the council that Cody Massey has resigned to relocate for another full time position. His last day of work will be June 30th. Tammy commended Cody for the job he has done and the new softball program he has started. She recommended the council hire someone as an interim to finish out the season and reevaluate the job in the new budget year.

Public Comment:

Pastor, Herman Williams addressed the council to express his concerns regarding the roads in Valleyview Estates. Mayor Dobbs explained that if the road is a county road, he would need to contact County Commissioner, Roy Moore.

Mrs. Williams stated that there is a problem in Valleyview with stray dogs in the neighborhood. She asked the council if there was anything that the City could do to help with the situation. Mayor Dobbs explained that the County Animal Control would be the best resource.

Donna Downs stated that she has been contacted regarding the donations to the school. Mayor Dobbs stated that the council was 100 percent in supporting the schools. However, he has had conflicting information regarding the school donations, therefore he has been working with the Board of Education to gather information. The council will then determine the requirements needed for the schools to request a donation.

There being no further business to come before the council, a motion to adjourn was made by Ronnie Sawyer. Tammy Troha made the second. The motion was carried by unanimous consent of the council. The meeting was adjourned at 6:50 PM.

Approved: _____
Matt Dobbs, Mayor

Attested: _____
Janet Frasier, City Clerk