**MINUTES OF CITY COUNCIL MEETING**

**VALLEY GRANDE, ALABAMA**

***Regular Meeting September 21, 2020***

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

Invocation: Matt Dobbs

In Attendance:

Matt Dobbs, Mayor Present

Tim White Absent

Ronald Sawyer Present

Lamar Morgan Absent

Tammy Troha Present

Jimmy Johnson Present

Quorum was made four council members present. Tim White and Lamar Morgan were absent from the meeting.

The minutes from the September 8, 2020 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 members present by a show of hands vote.

SHOW OF HANDS VOTE YEA NAY

Matt Dobbs X

Tim White Absent

Ronald Sawyer X

Lamar Morgan Absent

Tammy Troha X

Jimmy Johnson X

**Reports of Officers:**

Boyd Pugh /Public Safety Director: Boyd Pugh reported 8 fire calls so far during the month of September. The sewer lagoon was in compliance for the month of August

Sam Smitherman/Building Inspector: Sam Smitherman reported 8 current building permits in progress.

Tim White /Zoning, Annexation and Sewer System: No report.

Ronald Sawyer / Beautification and Education: Ronnie Sawyer reported that the sports complex is still in need of one scoreboard. He has talked with Bubba and would like to purchase the final scoreboard. He stated that it should cost approximately $5,000.

A motion was made by Ronnie Sawyer to proceed with the purchase of the scoreboard allotting $5,000.00. Jimmy Johnson made the second. Motion carried with unanimous consent of the council members present.

SHOW OF HANDS VOTE YEA NAY

Matt Dobbs X

Tim White Absent

Ronald Sawyer X

Lamar Morgan Absent

Tammy Troha X

Jimmy Johnson X

Lamar Morgan / Public Safety: No report.

Tammy Troha / Parks and Recreation: Tammy Troha reported that there were an additional two trees that need cutting at the park. She stated that the stumps have not yet been ground or removed and she asked Bubba Holly to have Ronnie Terry give us a quote on removing the additional two trees.

Jimmy Johnson / Business and Community Development: Jimmy Johnson stated that the current contract with David Oliver will expire in October 2020. He explained that currently the agreement stated that David Oliver had an obligation to complete the project within 24 months and suggested that the council extend that date by one year.

A motion was made by Ronnie Sawyer to amend Article 3.1 of the current “Project Agreement” with David Oliver and to extend the obligation to complete the project from 24 months to 36 months. Jimmy Johnson made the second. Motion carried with unanimous consent of the council members present by a show of hands vote.

SHOW OF HANDS VOTE YEA NAY

Matt Dobbs X

Tim White Absent

Ronald Sawyer X

Lamar Morgan Absent

Tammy Troha X

Jimmy Johnson X

**Old Business:** Mayor Dobbs informed the council that no bids had been received for the repaving of the walking track. He suggested that we extend the bid until Friday, September 25, 2020.

A motion was made by Ronnie Sawyer to repost the bid for the repaving of the walking track and request bids to be on opened September 25, 2020. Jimmy Johnson made the second. Motion carried with unanimous consent of the council members present by a show of hands vote.

SHOW OF HANDS VOTE YEA NAY

Matt Dobbs X

Tim White Absent

Ronald Sawyer X

Lamar Morgan Absent

Tammy Troha X

Jimmy Johnson X

**New Business:** Mayor Dobbs presented the council with the proposed annual budget for the fiscal year 2020 – 2021. He suggested that the council adopt Resolution 2020-116 adopting the presented budget.

A motion was made by Jimmy Johnson to adopt Resolution 2020-116 adopting the 2020-2021 annual budget. Ronnie Sawyer made the second. Motion carried with unanimous consent of the council members present by a show of hands vote.

SHOW OF HANDS VOTE YEA NAY

Matt Dobbs X

Tim White Absent

Ronald Sawyer X

Lamar Morgan Absent

Tammy Troha X

Jimmy Johnson X

Mayor Dobbs declared Resolution 2020-116 adopted as attached to these minutes.

**RESOLUTION NO. 2020-116**

ADOPTION OF ANNUAL BUDGET FOR FY 2020 - 2021

**BE IT RESOLVED** by the Council of the City of Valley Grande, Alabama, as follows:

That, for the purpose of financing the conduct of affairs of the City of Valley Grande, Alabama, during the fiscal year beginning October 1, 2020, and ending September 30, 2021, inclusive, the Budget of the City's expenses for such period be and the same is hereby approved and adopted as the official Annual budget of the City of Valley Grande, Alabama.

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| INCOME | | | |
|  |  |  | 2020 - 2021 |
| Sales Tax |  |  |  |
|  | Consumer Use Tax |  | $ 10,000.00 |
|  | Rental Tax |  | $ 8,000.00 |
|  | Sellers Use Tax |  | $ 195,000.00 |
|  | Gas Tax Revenue |  | $ 6,000.00 |
|  | Tobacco Tax Revenue |  | $ 15,000.00 |
|  | Tag and Titles |  | $ 5,000.00 |
|  | Sales Tax - Other |  | $ 375,000.00 |
| Total Sales Tax |  |  | $ 614,000.00 |
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| Business License | |  | $ 95,000.00 |
| Permits |  |  | $ 10,000.00 |
| State Shared Capital Improvement | | | $ 40,000.00 |
| State Shared Rev - Road Maint | | | $ 16,500.00 |
| State Share-General Road Maint | | | $ 22,000.00 |
| Rebuild Alabama Gas Tax | | | $ 18,000.00 |
| Alabama Power Co License Fees | | | $ 145,000.00 |
| Alagasco License Fees | | | $ 18,000.00 |
| Charter Cable License Fees | | | $ 5,000.00 |
| Interest Income | |  | $ 7,000.00 |
|  | Total |  | $ 376,500.00 |
| Sports Complex Income | | |  |
|  | Gate/Admission Income | | $ 7,000.00 |
|  | Sports Complex Income - Other | | $ 24,000.00 |
| Sports Complex Income Total | | | $ 31,000.00 |
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| Sewer Income | |  | $ 25,000.00 |
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| Total Income |  |  | $ 1,046,500.00 |

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|  |  |  | 2020 - 2021 |
| **Public safety** | | |  |
| Payroll | |  | $ 52,000.00 |
|  | Retirement | |  |
|  | Health Insurance Expense | | $ 9,600.00 |
| Outside Labor | | | $ 3,000.00 |
|  | VGVFD | | $ 24,000.00 |
|  | SVFD |  | $ 24,000.00 |
| Sheriff's Department Business Detail | | | $ 30,000.00 |
| Sheriff's Department Daytime Patrol | | | $ 38,000.00 |
| Sheriff's Department Event Security | | | $ 3,000.00 |
| Additional Patrol | | | $ 42,000.00 |
| Utilities | |  |  |
|  | Public Safety | |  |
|  |  | Water | $ 200.00 |
|  |  | Electric | $ 1,500.00 |
|  |  | Gas | $ 1,200.00 |
|  | Fire Dept #2 | |  |
|  |  | Water | $ 500.00 |
|  |  | Electric | $ 1,000.00 |
|  |  | Gas | $ 500.00 |
| Equipment | |  | $ 2,000.00 |
| Vehicle Maintenance | | | $ 500.00 |
| Capital Outlay | | | $ 2,000.00 |
| Fire Fighter Accessories | | |  |
|  | Valley Grande | | $ 3,000.00 |
|  | Summerfield | | $ 3,000.00 |
| Pump Test and Air Pack Repair | | | $ 10,000.00 |
| Fire Department Donations | | |  |
|  | Valley Grande | | $ 25,000.00 |
|  | Summerfield | | $ 25,000.00 |
|  | Potters Station | | $ 12,500.00 |
|  | Other Fire Department Donations | | $ 5,000.00 |
|  |  | Total | $ 318,500.00 |
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| Parks & Recreation | | |  |
| Payroll | |  | $ 22,000.00 |
|  | Retirement Expense | | $ 1,500.00 |
|  | Health Insurance | |  |
| Walking Trail | |  |  |
|  | Outside Labor | | $ 3,000.00 |
|  | Utilities | |  |
|  |  | Water | $ 300.00 |
|  |  | Electric | $ 5,000.00 |
| Sports Complex | | |  |
|  | Outside Labor | | $ 2,000.00 |
|  | Utilities | |  |
|  |  | Water | $ 1,400.00 |
|  |  | Power | $ 10,500.00 |
|  |  | Garbage | $ 2,000.00 |
|  | Sports Equipment | | $ 15,000.00 |
|  | Sports Expense | |  |
|  |  | Youth Ball | $ 21,000.00 |
|  |  | Men/Women Softball | $ 4,500.00 |
|  |  | Coed Softball | $ 4,500.00 |
|  |  | Other |  |
| Flight Field | |  |  |
|  | Expense | | $ 1,000.00 |
| City Events | |  |  |
|  | Independence Day | | $ 10,000.00 |
|  | Christmas in the Park | | $ 5,000.00 |
|  | Other Events | | $ 2,500.00 |
| Equipment Maintenance | | | $ 2,000.00 |
| Equipment | |  | $ 10,000.00 |
| Capital Outlay | | | $ 10,000.00 |
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|  |  | Total | $ 133,200.00 |
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| Administration | | |  |
| Payroll | |  |  |
|  | Administration Payroll | | $ 92,000.00 |
|  | Mayor and Council Salaries | | $ 33,600.00 |
|  | Payroll Expense | | $ 20,000.00 |
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|  | Overtime | |  |
|  | Retirement Expense | | $ 8,500.00 |
|  | Health Insurance Expense | | $ 16,500.00 |
| Outside Labor | | |  |
| Beautification | | | $ 2,000.00 |
| Accounting Fees | | | $ 22,000.00 |
| Professional Fees - ADOR | | | $ 13,000.00 |
| Chamber of Commerce | | | $ 2,500.00 |
| Donations | |  |  |
|  | Economic Development Authority | | $ 5,000.00 |
|  | Miscellaneous Donations | | $ 5,000.00 |
| Insurance | |  | $ 17,000.00 |
| Professional Dues | | | $ 5,000.00 |
| Legal Fees | |  | $ 3,000.00 |
| Advertising | |  | $ 1,000.00 |
| Office Expense | | | $ 18,000.00 |
| Election Expense | | |  |
| Professional Development | | | $ 2,000.00 |
| Business/Community Development | | | $ 85,000.00 |
| Travel/Mileage Expense | | | $ 4,000.00 |
| Utilities | |  |  |
|  | Water |  | $ 300.00 |
|  | Electric | | $ 1,500.00 |
|  | Gas |  | $ 1,100.00 |
|  | Garbage | | $ 300.00 |
|  | Telephone | | $ 8,000.00 |
| Capital Outlay | | | $ 6,000.00 |
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|  |  | Total | $ 372,300.00 |
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| Road Maintenance | | |  |
| Road Maintenance 4&5 cent | | | $ 16,000.00 |
| General Road Maintenance 7 cent | | | $ 18,000.00 |
| Rebuild Alabama Gas Tax | | | $ 18,000.00 |
|  |  | Total | $ 52,000.00 |
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| Sewer Expenses | | |  |
| Sewer - Office Expense | | | $ 2,000.00 |
| Sewer Utilities | | |  |
|  | Electric | | $ 5,000.00 |
|  | Water |  | $ 500.00 |
| Sewer Chemical Expense | | | $ 1,500.00 |
| Sewer Maintenance | | | $ 17,000.00 |
| Capital Outlay | | | $ 50,000.00 |
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|  |  | Total | $ 76,000.00 |
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| Public Works | | |  |
| Payroll | |  | $ 23,000.00 |
|  | Retirement Expense | | $ 1,000.00 |
| Outside Labor |  |  | $ 3,000.00 |
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| Property Maintenance | | |  |
|  | Fire Dept #2 | | $ 3,000.00 |
|  | Walking Trail | | $ 10,000.00 |
|  | Sports Complex | | $ 15,000.00 |
|  | Administration | | $ 25,000.00 |
|  | Sewer |  | $ 2,500.00 |
| Equipment | |  | $ 12,000.00 |
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|  |  | Total | $ 94,500.00 |
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| Total Expense | | | $ 1,046,500.00 |

ADOPTED AND APPROVED This 21st day of September, 2020.

Sheriff Mike Granthum addressed the council to express his appreciation to the mayor and council for making Public Safety a priority during their term. He further stated that he hopes to continue to work with the new mayor and council to keep Valley Grande safe. He stated his appreciation for the donation of the remaining budgeted money to the Sheriff’s department to continue to purchase equipment for the department.

**Public Comment:**  Valley Grande resident, Tammy Rose addressed the council concerning the decision to purchase the 4-wheeler for the sports complex and questioned the use of the tractor and 4-wheeler. Mayor Dobbs explained the different uses for both pieces of equipment.

**Mayor’s Report:**  No report.

There being no further business to come before the council, a motion to adjourn was made by Jimmy Johnson. Tammy Troha made the second. The motion was carried by unanimous consent of the council members present. The meeting was adjourned at 6:26 PM.

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

Attested: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Janet Frasier, City Clerk