**MINUTES OF CITY COUNCIL MEETING**

**VALLEY GRANDE, ALABAMA**

***Regular Meeting September 8, 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 Present

 Ronald Sawyer Present

 Lamar Morgan Present

 Tammy Troha Absent

 Jimmy Johnson Present

Quorum was made five council members present. Tammy Troha was absent from the meeting.

The minutes from the August 17, 2020 regular meeting were presented by Janet Frasier. Motion was made by Lamar Morgan to accept the minutes as presented. Ronnie Sawyer made the second. Motion carried with unanimous consent of the council by a show of hands vote.

SHOW OF HANDS VOTE YEA NAY

Matt Dobbs X

 Tim White X

 Ronald Sawyer X

 Lamar Morgan X

 Tammy Troha Absent

 Jimmy Johnson X

The minutes from the September 1, 2020 special meeting were presented by Janet Frasier. Motion was made by Lamar Morgan to accept the minutes as presented. Tim White made the second. Motion carried with unanimous consent of the council by a show of hands vote.

SHOW OF HANDS VOTE YEA NAY

Matt Dobbs X

 Tim White X

 Ronald Sawyer X

 Lamar Morgan X

 Tammy Troha Absent

 Jimmy Johnson X

**Reports of Officers:**

Boyd Pugh /Public Safety Director: Boyd Pugh reported no fire calls so far during the month of September and 3 calls during the month of August.

Sam Smitherman/Building Inspector: No report.

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

Ronald Sawyer / Beautification and Education: Ronnie Sawyer reported that a 4-wheeler was needed for use at the Sports Complex. He sated that it was needed for dragging and spraying the fields. He suggested that we purchase the 4-wheeler out of the Sports Complex budget since there had been no equipment bought this year due to Covid19. All Council members agreed.

Lamar Morgan / Public Safety: Lamar Morgan reported that he has received quotes for the repaving of the Walking Trail. He stated that after the trees are cut and removed, the entire track needs to have the roots removed and completely new asphalt. He stated that the quotes received were over the amount allowed by the bid law and suggested that the work be put out for bid.

A motion was made by Jimmy Johnson to proceed with the invitations to bid on the root removal and new asphalt on the entire walking trail. Lamar Morgan 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 X

 Ronald Sawyer X

 Lamar Morgan X

 Tammy Troha Absent

 Jimmy Johnson X

Tammy Troha / Parks and Recreation: No report

Jimmy Johnson / Business and Community Development: No report

**Old Business:** None

**New Business:**

Janet Frasier addressed the council regarding the poll workers for the upcoming runoff election. She stated that Resolution 2020-113, previously adopted, appointed the poll workers for both the election and the runoff. All workers have been contacted and have agreed to work for the October 6th runoff.

Chief Deputy John Hatfield of the Dallas County Sheriff’s Department addressed the council thanking them for their continued support. He stated that due to the COVID-19 and cancellations of events throughout, there is a remaining balance in the Public Safety budget for security and patrol. He explained that in the past, the council had allowed any remaining budget amount to be used for equipment purchases for the Sheriff’s Department and requested that the same be done this year. He stated that the County has purchased 6 new patrol cars and he would like to be able to equip them with radar. He further stated that he would provide invoices to the council to show how the money was used.

A motion was made by Lamar Morgan to allow the remaining balance in the Sheriff’s patrol line item of the Public Safety budget to be donated to the Sheriff’s Department to purchase needed equipment. 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 X

 Ronald Sawyer X

 Lamar Morgan X

 Tammy Troha Absent

 Jimmy Johnson X

**Public Comment:**  None.

**Mayor’s Report:**  No report.

There being no further business to come before the council, a motion to adjourn was made by Lamar Morgan. Tim White made the second. The motion was carried by unanimous consent of the council members present. The meeting was adjourned at 6:15 PM.

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

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

 Janet Frasier, City Clerk