**MINUTES OF CITY COUNCIL MEETING**

**VALLEY GRANDE, ALABAMA**

***Regular Meeting April 4, 2022***

Call to order by Wayne Labbe, Mayor at 6:00 PM

Meeting held at Valley Grande City Hall

Minutes submitted by Kim Harris, City Clerk

Presiding: Mayor Wayne Labbe

Invocation: Mayor Wayne Labbe

In Attendance:

 Wayne Labbe, Mayor Present

 Kay Davidson Present

 Sara Day Present

 Jane Harris Present

 Bruce Hughes Present

 Robbie Rose Present

Quorum was made with all council members present.

The minutes from the March 28, 2022 regular meeting and planning session were presented by Kim Harris. Motion was made by Jane Harris to accept the minutes as written. Bruce Hughes made the second. Motion carried by unanimous consent of the council members present by a show of hands vote.

SHOW OF HANDS VOTE YEA NAY

Wayne Labbe X

 Kay Davidson X

 Sara Day X

 Jane Harris X

 Bruce Hughes X

 Robbie Rose X

**Reports of Standing Committees:**

**Kay Davidson / Business and Community Development:** No report.

**Sara Day / Walking Trail and Community Events:** Sara Day stated that she wanted to remind everyone about the Easter Egg Hunt this Saturday April 9, 2022 at 11:00 at the Ball Park. Sara Day also stated that registration has started for the Art in the Park which will be on May 7, 2022 from 9:00 – 1:00 at the walking trail.

**Jane Harris / Zoning, Annexation, Beautification and Education:** No report.

**Bruce Hughes / Sewer System and Public Safety:** No report.

**Robbie Rose / Parks and Recreation, Sports Complex:** Robbie Rose stated that he spoke to Mike Genard and he will have the hay raked up in the fields before Saturday in time for the Easter Egg Hunt.

**Reports of Officers:**

Boyd Pugh / Public Safety Director: Boyd Pugh reported 1 fire call so far this month and 13 fire calls last month.

Sam Smitherman / Building Inspector: Sam Smitherman reported 9 active permits and several electrical inspections.

Bubba Holley / Parks & Recreation: Absent.

Kim Harris / City Clerk-Treasurer: Kim Harris reported that the annual Statement of Economic Interest was due to be completed by the Mayor, Council, and other staff before April 30, 2022.

**Old Business:** Mayor Labbe gave the floor to Bruce Hughes who stated that he spoke to Bo with Morrow Ornamental Iron and explained to him that we needed to downsize the specs of the gate but stay within the regulations. Bruce Hughes speculated that it may cost between $6,000.00-$7,000.00 after the reductions. Bruce stated that he will be receiving a new quote as soon as possible.

**New Business:** Mayor Labbe presented the council with salary increases for the employees as discussed in the planning session. Bruce Hughes made a motion to approve the increases as presented. Kay Davidson made the second. Motion carried by unanimous consent of the council members present by a show of hands vote.

SHOW OF HANDS VOTE YEA NAY

Wayne Labbe X

 Kay Davidson X

 Sara Day X

 Jane Harris X

 Bruce Hughes X

 Robbie Rose X

Mayor Labbe presented the council with an increase of gate fees from $1.00 to $3.00 for the ball games. Sara Day made a motion to increase the gate fees as presented. Robbie Rose made the second. Motion carried by unanimous consent of the council members present by a show of hands vote.

SHOW OF HANDS VOTE YEA NAY

Wayne Labbe X

 Kay Davidson X

 Sara Day X

 Jane Harris X

 Bruce Hughes X

 Robbie Rose X

**Public Comment:**

**Mayor’s Report:** Mayor Labbe stated that the ballfields have been completed and they are draining well and look great.

Mayor Labbe also reported that he received a call at 2:00 pm today about steady gun fire on County Road 81. He stated that he went to the scene and there were two guys shooting in the field behind North Dallas Water and stopped the men from shooting he then explained that the Sheriff’s Dept. had already been notified.

There being no further business to come before the council, a motion to adjourn was made by Jane Harris, Robbie Rose made the second. The motion was carried by unanimous consent of the council members present.

The meeting was adjourned at 6:11 PM.

 Approved: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ Wayne Labbe, Mayor

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

 Kim Harris, City Clerk