**MINUTES OF CITY COUNCIL MEETING**

**VALLEY GRANDE, ALABAMA**

***Regular Meeting December 19, 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 December 5, 2022 regular meeting were presented by Kim Harris. Motion was made by Sara Day to accept the minutes as written. 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

**Reports of Standing Committees:**

**Kay Davidson / Business and Community Development:** Kay Davidson reported that she received an update from Will Barrett regarding the ALDOT TAP Grant. Kay Davidson stated that Heath Sexton, Dallas Co Engineer, did approve the updated plans for the sidewalk and turnouts on Co Rd 16 and 81. She also stated at this point they will send ALDOT this project information for authorization to advertise for construction bids. Bruce Hughes questioned if anyone had contacted Aubrey Carter with Alabama Power about the lighting. Mayor Labbe requested that Kay Davidson reach out to him regarding the matter. Mayor Labbe gave details on a quote to run power to the metal shed at the ballfields.

**Sara Day / Walking Trail and Community Events:**Sara Day reported that the city had a good turnout despite the rain at the Christmas in the Park last weekend. Sara Day thanked the VGFD for their assistance in getting Santa and the Characters to the park.

**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:** No report.

**Reports of Officers:**

Boyd Pugh / Public Safety Director: Boyd Pugh reported 8 fire calls so far this month.

Sam Smitherman / Building Inspector: Sam Smitherman reported that permits and service inspections have picked up this month. Sam Smitherman stated that contractors are installing the drainage pipes at the new Dave’s Market shopping center. Sam Smitherman also reported that the electrical contractor was hired at a reasonable price to install the underground wiring for gate at the walking trail, although line locators were flagged locating power, water and gas, the contractors cut through the lines to the security cameras and the water system.

Bubba Holley / Parks & Recreation: No report.

Kim Harris / City Clerk-Treasurer: Kim Harris presented the council with a Profit and Loss including Budget vs Actual spending report and Balance Sheet for this fiscal year for the council to review.

**Old Business:** None

**New Business:** Mayor Wayne Labbe presented the council with two quotes from Turfplanner of Georgia for the yearly maintenance on the ballfields. The first quote is for re-grading the fields and the second quote is to rebuild the batter boxes. After detailed discussions, Bruce Hughes made a motion to make sure the bid laws apply and if so, begin the bid as of Dec. 21, 2022 for one week to approve at the next council meeting. If bid law does not apply, then the motion is to accept it. 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

Mayor Wayne Labbe presented the council with a request to decide on the type and color fencing to install around the new gate at the walking trail. After further discussion, the council decided on a black chain link fence. Jane Harris made a motion that Bruce Hughes contact several fencing companies for quotes and to accept the quote presented by J&S Electrical for the installation of the underground wiring for the new gate. 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:** None

**Mayor’s Report:** Mayor Wayne Labbe reported to the council that our next meeting will be Tuesday Jan. 3, 2023 and the auditors will be at that meeting to present the financial reports.

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 6:27 PM.

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

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

Kim Harris, City Clerk