**MINUTES OF CITY COUNCIL MEETING**

**VALLEY GRANDE, ALABAMA**

***Regular Meeting January 16, 2024***

Call to order by Wayne Labbe, Mayor at 5:00 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

A quorum was made with all council members present.

The minutes from the January 2, 2024, regular meeting was presented by Kim Harris. A Motion was made by Robbie Rose to accept the minutes as written. Jane Harris 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:** No report.

**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 3 fire calls so far this month.

Sam Smitherman / Building Inspector: Sam Smitherman reported that inspections were at a winter slow. Discussion was made between Sam Smitherman and the council regarding the electrical engineering drawings for Dave’s Market.

Bubba Holley / Parks & Recreation: No report.

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

**Old Business:** Mayor Wayne Labbe reported that there are no quotes at this time for the repairs to the manhole at the sewer system, but they are still working on the quotes. Mayor Labbe gave details of the delays, and he hopes to hear something this coming week.

**New Business:**  Mayor Wayne Labbe presented the council with the concession bid and gave details of the changes in the bid requirements and contract. Robbie Rose made a motion to accept the changes and post the bid as presented beginning on 02/17/24 to be opened on February 2, 2024, at 10:00 am. 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 Wayne Labbe presented the council with discussion regarding the lawn care maintenance for the city as well as print outs of overviews of the property that will be attached to the bid invitation to show where maintenance will be required. Mayor Labbe stated that the contract will be revised, sent out to the council members, and brought back before the council to review and hopefully voted on at the next council meeting. Jane Harris suggested having a 7-month term on the contract after discussion was made among the council.

Mayor Wayne Labbe presented the council with Resolution 2024-166 to award the Pole Barn Bid to Steward Construction in the amount of $85,498.00. Bruce Hughes made a motion to accept the bid as presented. Jane Harris made the second. Motion carried by unanimous consent of the council members present by a roll call vote.

ROLL CALL VOTE YEA NAY

Wayne Labbe X

Kay Davidson X

Sara Day X

Jane Harris X

Bruce Hughes X

Robbie Rose X

Mayor Labbe declared Resolution 2024-166 adopted as attached to these minutes.

**RESOLUTION NO. 2024-166**

**A RESOLUTION AWARDING BID FOR THE POLE BARN**

**WHEREAS,** The City of Valley Grande has solicited sealed bids as required under the Alabama bid law; and

**WHEREAS,** bids were opened on January 12, 2024 at 10:00 am at Valley Grande City Hall with three (3) bid submitted; and

**WHEREAS,** said bid was as follows:

1. Steward Construction $85,498.00
2. Smitherman Brothers $87,000.00
3. Precision Dirt $85,600.00

**WHEREAS,** the bids were transmitted to the council at the next meeting of the council following the bid openings,

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE MAYOR AND COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF VALLEY GRANDE, ALABAMA; AS FOLLOWS:**

1. The bid submitted by Steward Construction is hereby accepted as low bidder; and
2. The Mayor be and is hereby authorized to enter into a written agreement with Steward Construction for the amount set forth hereinabove, and in accordance with the terms of the corresponding bid documents.
3. This resolution to become effective immediately upon adoption by the Mayor and Council.

Adopted this 16th day of January 2024.

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Mayor Wayne Labbe

ATTEST:

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City Clerk, Kim Harris

Bruce Hughes inquired about needing more help annually to put up and take down the Christmas decorations. After further discussion regarding the decorations with Sara Day, Mayor Wayne Labbe gave details of the reasons for the delays.

**Public Comment:** None

**Mayor’s Report:** Mayor Wayne Labbe reported that the city is waiting on the auditors to respond to a time and date to present the audit to the council.

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

The meeting was adjourned at 5:21PM.

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

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

Kim Harris, City Clerk