

City of Valley Falls

Open Meeting

January 16, 2019

Open Meeting

The meeting was called to order by Mayor Lucy Thomas. Council members present were Judy Rider, Gary McKnight, Salih Doughramaji, Mike Glissman, and Betsy Doughramaji. Others present were Clarke Davis.

The minutes from the January 2, 2019 meeting were presented. Salih moves to approve the minutes. Judy seconds the motion. Motion carried 5-0.

Petitions, Proclamations, Request, Complaints, Visitors, Etc.:

Public Comments:

Committee Reports:

Administrative: Written report presented. The annual audit has been scheduled for January 30th with Harold Mayes from Agler & Gaeddert.

*Denise touched briefly on the CMB licensing changes to come in April. There will need to be some review and changes to the existing Ordinances. Denise will send info out for Council review by email.

Water/Sewer: Paul presented the numbers for the annual water loss. This year the City is at a 19% water loss. He stated there is a leak somewhere they just can't find it but continue to search. He may need to get KRWA involved for assistance.

Street/Alley: Paul reports they have about 5 tons of salt in storage and about 4 loads of mixed salt and sand at the shop. He presented a bid from Central Salt in the amount of \$1,534.25 to purchase 25 more ton. Gary moves to approve the purchase. Betsy seconds the motion. Motion carried 5-0.

*The hopper chain broke on the dump truck spreader. Paul has ordered a new replacement part but it will be about 3 weeks before it gets here. Paul and crew are trying to temporarily fix it while they wait on the part to come in. He has also made some calls to the county for help if needed.

Park/Pool: There is a big Oak tree closer to the Methodist church side of the park. This tree has previous lightening damage and needs taken down. Paul presented a bid from B&B in the amount of \$500 to take tree down and \$200 to grind the stump. Salih mentioned a second tree that looks pretty bad. Paul will check with B&B and see if they can evaluate this tree while here for the other.

Fire board:

Police: The planning continues for the neighborhood watch program. There is a presentation scheduled for Saturday January 26th in the library meeting room at 10:00am. Marcus has been posting fliers at local businesses for display. Betsy took a stack for the upcoming ball game to pass out at the school.

*Marcus commented on a job well done by Officer Travis Courter. He had handled a difficult call and backed up the county who was much appreciative of his help and work.

VFEDC:

Old Business:

New Business: 2018 Annual Audit: There was an annual audit agreement presented for Harold Mayes from Agler & Gaeddert to complete our 2018 annual audit. The cost would be \$5,400 plus out of pocket expenses. Gary moves to accept. Mike seconds the motion. Motion carried 5-0.

Annual Appointments:

Administrator: Denise Streeter

City Clerk: April Herbster

Chief of Police: Marcus Koch

City Attorney: Rick Johnson

City Judge: Dennis Reiling

City News Paper: The Vindicator

City Depository: Kendall State Bank

Gary moves to approve all annual appointments. Salih seconds the motion. Motion carried 5-0.

Committee Appointments:

Water/Sewer: Mike and Salih

Street/Alley: Mike and Judy

Parks/Pool: Gary and Judy

Fireboard: Mike

Police/Court: Salih and Gary

Health Code: Betsy

VFEDC: Betsy with Salih as a backup

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Mike moved to go into executive session to discuss matters of non-elected personnel to review the Pool manager applications at 7:10pm for approx. ten minutes to include Mayor, Council, and City Administrator. Betsy seconds the motion. Motion carried 5-0.

The Council returned to open session at 7:20pm with no action taken.

VOUCHERS

The vouchers were presented. Mike moves to approve the vouchers. Gary seconds the motion. Motion carried 5-0.

ADJOURNMENT

Mike moves to adjourn. Judy seconds the motion. Motion carried 5-0.

APPROVED: _____
LUCILLE THOMAS, MAYOR

ATTEST: _____
APRIL HERBSTER, CITY CLERK