

CITY OF VALLEY FALLS

Open Meeting

October 3, 2018

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

Others present were Harv Thomas, Sallie Meyer, Julie Needham, Edward Lund, Sherry Kearney, Joyce Brown, Linda Stansell, and Clarke Davis.

The minutes from the September 19, 2018 meeting were presented. Mike moves to approve the minutes. Betsy seconds the motion. Motion carried. 3-0.

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

Public Comments:

Committee Reports:

Administrative: Written report presented.

*There was a short discussion on the 40yd cleanup dumpster. To date the cost is \$1,750 for four total containers. After discussion it was decided to continue with the 40yd container through the remainder of October and to replace as needed.

Water/Sewer: There was a water main repair on 15th and Oak.

*Paul and crew have been working on replacing old water meter pits as needed.

*The City remains in stage I of the water conservation.

*Martin's construction has started to haul rock in for the WEIR repairs and will begin the work weather permitting.

*Paul has plans to start cleaning/jetting sewer lines around town as a part of his annual maintenance.

Street/Alley: Paul continues to work on replacing the school signs on 16 Hwy. He found a sign he had missed and presented an additional cost of \$168.90. There was no objection from the Council to proceed. He also presented a quote in the amount of \$520.80 to replace six posts to hang the new signs on. Betsy moves to approve. Gary seconds the motion. Motion carried 3-0.

*Paul continues to work with Westar on a new street light for the new 16th street. He presents a quote of \$5,000 that included boring under the road. The Council would like him to check on quotes for running lines over head. This topic was tabled for the next meeting when a full council can be here for discussion.

Parks/Pool: Paul will start winterizing all the parks when temperatures begin freezing. He has plans to start tearing down the old pool fence as time allows. There was no objection from the council.

Fire board:

Police: This will be David Mitchell's last meeting as Interim Police Chief. He reports that we should be getting the KDOT letter of approval for the new radios soon.

Health Code:

VFEDC:

Swimming Pool:

Old Business: Code Enforcement: Next week will be the 30day re-evaluation for the first set of letters sent out regarding code. Julie Needham was here for the discussion/follow-up. She continues to work on putting together a community volunteer committee. There will be a meeting held October 15th at 6:30pm in City Hall for anyone interested. There have been discussions on coordinating a tire day with Brian Lane at Valley Ag as an avenue to dispose of tires but no procedure has been set yet. This group has plans to continue to be proactive and help those individuals in need. Gary McKnight did speak to about a dozen local business owners and all were in agreement with the council on making sure the codes were enforced.

New Business: Sunset Haven-Valley Falls Housing Authority: Leslee Bowers was here to present the annual reports for the Valley Falls Housing Authority. She presents a check in the amount of \$4,698.68 for payment in lieu of taxes.

CMB License Petro 2018: The annual renewal for Petro's CMB license was presented. Betsy moves to approve. Mike seconds the motion. Motion carried 3-0.

City Clerk Institute: April would like to attend her 4th year of the City Clerks Institute in Wichita. The cost is \$355 plus hotel room. The institute is November 14-16 this year. Mike moves to approve. Betsy seconds the motion. Motion carried 3-0.

Swimming Pool driveway: Options for the driveway entrance were discussed. The rock washes away with each rain and the incline is hard for some vehicles with the rock surface. The council would like to see some different quotes with options for just the driveway entrance because the actual parking lot is fine. Paul will bring quotes back and will include the two handicap parking spaces in the quote as well.

Police Chief: Lucy put forth to the Council Marcus Koch as the new Police Chief for Valley Falls. There was no objection from the council and the vote was 3-0. Marcus will start on October 8th.

VOUCHERS

The vouchers were presented. Mike moved to approve. Betsy seconded the motion. Motion carried 3-0.

ADJOURNMENT

Betsy moves to adjourn the meeting. Mike seconds the motion. Motion carried. 3-0.

APPROVED: _____
LUCILLE THOMAS, MAYOR

ATTEST: _____
APRIL HERBSTER, CITY CLERK