

CITY OF VALLEY FALLS

COUNCIL MEETING

October 5, 2016

Open Meeting

The meeting was called to order by Council President Lucy Thomas. Council members present were Betsy Doughramaji, Tony Trower, Andy Dinger, and Mike Hahn. Charlie was absent. (Joined by conference call) Other members present were Alex Darby, Brennan Crawford, Rod Strole, Nancy Gatzemeyer, Connie Fridley, and Rick Ensz.

The minutes from the September 21, 2016 meeting were presented. Tony moved to approve. Andy seconded the motion. Motion carried 4-0.

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

Public Comments:

Committee Reports:

Administrative: Written report presented.

Water/Sewer: Paul has started to train Chad Spencer at the Water Plant.

*Paul has cleaned approx. 9800 feet of sewer lines around town with the new sewer machine.

Streets/Alleys:

Parks: Paul presented two bids for tree limb and tree removal at the park. Mick's Tree Service is \$1,700 to complete both projects. B&B Tree Removal is \$700 to remove limbs and \$500 to remove the big Oak Tree. Andy moves to accept the bid from B&B Tree Removal at a total of \$1,200. Betsy seconds the motion. Motion carried 5-0.

Fire Board: The financials were presented. The department has been working on replacing new front tires for all the trucks. They are also looking into new vest for the department.

Police/Court: Training for the new officers continues and is going very well.

Health Code:

VFEDC: Loren Feldkamp stopped in and has an idea of a group effort to help upgrade the Welcome to Valley Falls sign. He would like to incorporate the Blue Ribbon emblem and also a State Champion emblem. He has ideas of the School helping cover some of the cost. The Chamber has been researching this sign as well but just don't have the funds to complete the project. Megan Turner is working on a design.

*The VFEDC is still working on the other Blue Ribbon signs for placement possibly on 16hwy. Paul is not getting a response from KDOT but Betsy and Salih will continue to try and make contact.

Swimming Pool:

Old Business: Final Plat: Alex Darby from PEC presented the final plat map showing the adjustments to Lots#7,8 for use of the Moderate Housing Grant. He has been in contact with Brennan Crawford from CHWC and both are in agreement. Andy moves to approve the final plat contingent upon the County Surveyors approval. Mike seconds the motion. Motion carried 5-0.

KHRC Moderate Income Housing Grant: Brennan Crawford Interim Executive Director from the CHWC presented the Option for Donation of Real Estate. This document includes lots #7 and #8. There will be no age restrictions on these homes and will have the same floor plan as the Delaware Senior Housing Project the Mesner Development Group is constructing. Andy moves to approve the Option of Donation pending the final legal description. Tony seconds the motion. Motion carried 5-0.

*He then presented the Resolution 09-2016 to authorize the application of the grant. Andy moves to approve Resolution 09-2016 pending the legal description. Tony seconds the motion. Motion carried 5-0. Brennan also recommends making contact with some of our local businesses for letters to support the application in showing the need for housing for new hires or employees for their local businesses. It would just help with the application process.

Final Revenue Bond Actions: Rick Ensz of Cooper Malone McClain Inc. was here to present the final rates for the Pool Bond. The interest rates are set at 3.227% with an annual payment amount at \$105,537. The average tax income for the last 3 years has come in at \$115,000 per year so as long as there is big change the taxes should cover. Rick presented an Ordinance 12-202 directing and authorizing the PBC to move forward with the bond. Andy moves to approve Ordinance 12-202. Tony seconds the motion. Motion carried 5-0. The closing of the bond will be October 26th.

Community Pool Committee: Rod Strole presented a proposal that the Rec Commission had brought to the Pool Committee's last meeting. The Rec Commission would like to fund raise for some basketball goals and volley ball nets. The Council had no objection to that idea. There has been some confusion on the final plans/design for the new pool. The Pool Committee suggested that they would like to meet with the Council, Larkin, and Carrothers and review design and have discussions on the final plan so that everyone is on the same page. Denise will make contact with everyone and try to coordinate for next meeting.

New Business: CMB License-Petro: The annual CMB license renewal for Petro was presented. Mike moves to approve. Tony seconds the motion. Motion carried 5-0.

VOUCHERS

The vouchers were presented. Mike moved to approve and Tony seconded the motion. Motion carried 5-0.

ADJOURNMENT

Andy moved to adjourn the meeting and Tony seconded the motion. Motion carried 5-0.

APPROVED: _____
CHARLES L. STUTESMAN, MAYOR

ATTEST: _____
APRIL HERBSTER, CITY CLERK