

**Regular Meeting of the Board of Alderman
For the City of Valley View, Texas 02/25/2021**

WORKSHOP – Convened at 5:00 PM

1. Review and discuss Zoning and Subdivision Ordinances

REGULAR MEETING

Call meeting to order – Mayor Fortenberry called the meeting to order at 6:00pm.

Pledge of Allegiance & Invocation Mayor Fortenberry led the pledge and prayer.

Mayor Comments

Mayor Fortenberry praised all the help received during the recent winter storms. He said from City employees to those that work with the City to even strangers, the community had a lot of help to get through it. Mayor Fortenberry wanted to thank all those that assisted.

Item 4 Public Comments

None.

Item 5 CONSENT ITEMS:

- a. All items on the consent agenda are considered routine by the Board of Alderman and will be enacted with one motion, unless a member of the Board or a citizen request separate discussion of one or more items. In such event, the item(s) will be removed from the consent agenda and considered in sequence as listed.
- a. Approve budget report for General, Disposal and Police/Municipal Department
- b. Water/Sewer
- c. Maintenance
- d. Police
- e. Fire
- f. Approve check register
- g. Approve minutes from Regular Meeting held on **January 14, 2021**.

Adam Zimmerer, Valley View Fire Department, advised that the Fire Department had been having lots of late night calls and activity so that had not had time to prepare the monthly statement.

Alderman Holder made a motion to accept the Consent Items. Mayor Pro Tem Spears seconded the motion and the motion passed 5-0.

Item 6. Discuss and consider presentation from Valley View Chamber of Commerce regarding commemorative bench in the square, possible action.

Nancy Jackson, Vice President of the Valley View Chamber of Commerce, stated the Chamber is asking to place a memorial bench, or two, on the City Square. She stated the Chamber would like to honor members such as Beverly Kelley and Bob Carr. Ms. Jackson advised the Chamber would pay for, install, and maintain the benches.

Mayor Fortenberry stated the idea sounded great, but the Parks Commission needs to approve the request before the Board could. Ms. Jackson said she was not aware that was the process and will followup with the Parks Commission.

Alderman Wilkerson asked Ms. Jackson if there were other options in the future if park space becomes limited. Ms. Jackson said there were plenty of options and wouldn't be limited to just the City Square.

No Action.

Item 7. Presentation from Valley View Chamber of Commerce regarding fireworks show.

Meredith Eaton, owner of Firelight Vineyards and Valley View Chamber of Commerce member, stated that her and her husband George started the first fireworks show in 2015 through the winery and with the help of the Chamber and the City. She said that last year provided lots of challenges and there were concerns from the police department and fire department. Mrs. Eaton stated in the past they have worked with landowners in the City, but at this time could not find an acceptable area within the City Limits to have a safe show. She stated a new location, about 5 miles outside the limits had been found for the 2021 fireworks show that should provide a safe area for all.

Alderman Scoggin asked if the new location was on County Road 231. Mrs. Eaton advised that it is. Alderman Scoggin stated that was outside the City Limits and the Police Department area and the City could not provide funds.

Lynn Morgan, City Secretary, advised that Hotel/Motel Tax money cannot be used for fireworks, as there are numerous write-ups from TML specifically stating that and giving the reasons why. She did state that Hotel/Motel Tax money could be used for advertising. She also added that there may be an item or items from the donations that could be used to raffle off to help offset some of their expenses.

Mayor Fortenberry suggested the Chamber ask the County if they had any funds to help the Chamber with. He stated the agenda has this as a presentation, per the original request to be on the Agenda, and is therefore, not an actionable item.

No action.

Item 8. Discuss and consider FY 2019-2020 Audit from Haynes & Associates, possible action.

Charlie Haynes, Haynes and Associates, presented the audit for FY 2019-2020 and reviewed how it is completed and laid out. Mr. Haynes pointed out specific pages of the Audit and gave details of how the data was compiled for each.

Mayor Fortenberry asked where outstanding court violations were in the Audit. Mr. Haynes explained that outstanding court fines and fees are not shown, as court numbers only show what is actually collected, not what is outstanding. Mayor Fortenberry asked if those outstanding balances were ever vacated. Mr. Haynes said that a judge can do that, but not the auditors. He added that most court money goes to the State, which is why it's not included until it is received, the state doesn't get paid until the money is in the office.

Alderman Scoggin made a motion to approve the Audit for FY 2019-2020. Alderman Holder seconded the motion and the motion passed 5-0.

Item 9. Discuss and consider options for water line extension on S. Pecan Creek Trail, possible action.

Kevin Ware, City Engineer, KJE Engineering, advised that Wilhite Land Surveying was doing the survey of the area and once received in office, KJE would do the design work and get a price.

No action.

Item 10. Discuss and consider presentation from Parks Commission regarding the By-Laws of the Parks Commission, possible action.

Misty Links, President of the Parks Commission, stated the Parks Commission had created and approved the By-Laws as presented to the Board of Aldermen. Mrs. Morgan advised they fell in line with the Parks commission formation documents created by the City Attorney.

Alderman Holder made a motion to approve the By-Laws of the Parks Commission. Alderman Sandmann seconded the motion and the motion passed 5-0.

Item 11. Discuss and consider presentation from Parks Commission regarding the Mission Statement of the Parks Commission, possible action.

Mrs. Links stated the Parks Commission had created a Mission Statement to summarize the goals of the Commission.

Alderman Holder made a motion to approve the By-Laws of the Parks Commission. Alderman Sandmann seconded the motion and the motion passed 5-0.

Item 12. Discuss and consider presentation from Parks Commission regarding baseball field usage guidelines and requirement(s), possible action.

Mrs. Links stated the Parks Commission had created procedures for reserving the ballfields at the City park. She stated the leagues in the area are given first choice, but individual teams will have

options as well. She advised the leagues will have the ability to reserve for a season at a time – a spring season and a fall season.

Alderman Wilkerson asked if the proposed fees were normal. Mrs. Links advised that they are very low compared to others, but it has been free to this point.

Krystal Bewley, asked who would be responsible for the payment if the league wouldn't pay it. Mrs. Morgan advised the coaches would have to pay it, but the cost could be split among all the coaches in that league that want to use the field.

Alderman Holder stated he knows there are talks of everyone going through Valley View Youth Sports Association, but it's not that way yet.

Alderman Holder made a motion to approve the baseball field usage guidelines and requirements. Alderman Sandmann seconded the motion and the motion passed 4-0 with Alderman Scoggin abstaining.

Item 13. Discuss and consider presentation from Parks Commission regarding baseball field banners, possible action.

Mrs. Links stated the Parks Commission would like to offer sponsorship banners again this year as a fundraiser for the Parks Commission. She stated the Commission has several goals for improving the parks, but they need to generate some money before doing them. She added that she would like to create an event to also raise money.

Alderman Holder asked if the donation items could be raffled for the Parks Commission to use as a fundraiser. Mrs. Morgan said she would ask the attorney.

Alderman Scoggin made a motion to approve allowing the Parks Commission to sell banners for the baseball field as a fundraiser for the parks. Alderman Wilkerson seconded the motion and the motion passed 5-0.

Item 14. Discuss and consider options regarding agreement with OSS Academy for Police Department training, possible action.

Mayor Fortenberry stated that all officers are required to have a certain amount of training annually and this company is offering a package for all instead of paying per course. Alderman Holder added that the reserve officers would also have access to these training classes.

Alderman Wilkerson asked if these classes were in person or online. Mrs. Morgan said these were web-based.

Alderman Wilkerson asked what is currently spent on training. Mrs. Morgan said it averages about \$500 for each officer, some of which they pay out of their own pocket.

Mayor Pro Tem Spears made a motion to approve the Agreement with OSS Academy for Police Department Training. Alderman Holder seconded the motion and the motion passed 5-0.

Item 15. Discuss and consider options for electricity provider for City accounts, possible action

Mrs. Morgan stated that the contracts with TXU had expired and after having asked for quotes from other providers, TXU had the best fixed price option. Mrs. Morgan advised this was for several accounts, including street lights.

Alderman Holder made a motion to approve the contracts from TXU for electric services on multiple accounts. Mayor Pro Tem Spears seconded the motion and the motion passed 5-0.

Item 16. Discuss and consider extension of Winter Weather Disaster Declaration, possible action.

Mrs. Morgan stated that Mayor Fortenberry had signed a Winter Weather Disaster Declaration on Thursday, February 18 and this extension would extend it for 30 days in the event that the City finds additional damages caused by the storm.

Alderman Wilkerson made a motion to approve the extension of the Winter Weather Disaster Declaration. Alderman Scoggin seconded the motion and motion passed 5-0.

Item 17. Update from City Engineer on status of City projects.

Mr. Ware stated that pre-development applications have been created and are now required prior to any development meetings. He stated the only current projects are the possible extension of the water line down S. Pecan Creek Trail and N. Pecan Creek Trail road from FM 922 to the north property line of the Pecan Creek Crossing. Mr. Ware stated they will be inspecting the road project as well as the drainage ditches along the way. Mr. Ware wanted to extend kudos to Mr. McKinney for keeping the water and sewer systems functioning during the winter storm.

No Action.

Item 18. Discuss and consider presentation from McKinney Operating and Excavation regarding water line under North Pecan Creek Trail from west to east, possible action.

Clayton McKinney, McKinney Operating and Excavation, said that the developer of Pecan Creek Crossing has asked him to extend a waterline under North Pecan Creek Trail for possible future development on the east side of the road. Mr. McKinney advised he would be moving the Bolivar Water Supply Corporation line as well.

Alderman Holder made a motion to approve McKinney Operating and Excavation extending a waterline under North Pecan Creek Trail. Alderman Scoggin seconded the motion and motion passed 5-0.

Item 19. Discuss and consider contract from KJE for Texas Water Development Board Engineering services, possible action.

Mr. Ware stated that everything was on track to present his contract for the TWDB project, but Drew Satterwhite, GTUA, had advised that the specific fund that Valley View was going to apply for was no longer going to be an option. Mr. Satterwhite advised that GTUA had another suggested fund to apply for, but the interest rate may be different. Mr. Ware also stated that funding will likely not be available until September, considering all the other Cities are having to change to this one, so Valley View will just be in line.

No Action.

Item 20. Update on Pecan Creek Crossing.

Mrs. Morgan stated the weather had kept them from doing much, but that they were ready to move forward when it dries out.

No Action.

Item 21. Update for N. Pecan Creek Trail road improvements.

Mrs. Morgan stated the weather had delayed this.

Not Action

Item 22. Discuss and consider date for March Board of Aldermen Meeting, possible action.

Mrs. Morgan advised she would be out of town for the date of the next regular scheduled meeting. Alderman Wilkerson added that the next week would be Spring Break and suggested meeting in one month on March 25, 2021.

Alderman Holder made a motion to set the March Meeting for Thursday, March 25, 2021. Alderman Wilkerson seconded the motion and the motion passed 5-0.

Item 23. Adjourn.

Alderman Holder made a motion to adjourn at 7:28 PM. Alderman Scoggin seconded the motion and the motion passed 5-0.

Minutes of the Board of Aldermen were approved this 25^h day of February, 2021.