

**Minutes of Regular Meeting of the Board of Alderman
For the City of Valley View, Texas 09/09/2021**

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

Pledge of Allegiance & Invocation Mayor Chalk led the pledge and Mayor Pro Tem Spears lead the invocation.

3. Mayor Comments

Mayor Chalk gave an update that a logo had been created for the 150th Birthday Celebration event. He also stated that he talked to Primoris Distribution and they are interested in helping as details become available. Mayor Chalk said that he has reached out to elected officials and some have already confirmed.

4. Public Comments

Laura McMullen stated the Valley View Chamber of Commerce would be interesting in helping however they can for the Birthday Celebration.

5. CONSENT ITEMS:

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 requests 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 **August 12, 2021 and the Special Meeting held August 16, 2021.**

Mayor Chalk advised there was an update from the Parks Commission, in the form of a letter, in the packet.

Lynn Morgan, City Secretary, made not of a large deposit in the bank account that was later removed. She stated it was federal COVID money and that she moved it to the Capital Improvements account, as that is what it will be used for.

Alderman Wilkerson asked for clarification on the ordinance passed at the previous meeting, with the change regarding vehicle weight. Mrs. Morgan stated how it was changed, but that it could be reviewed or updated at any time.

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

6. Conduct a Public Hearing regarding the 2021-2022 Annual Operating Budget.

- a. Presentation of Request.

Mayor Chalk stated this was the Budget that has been being worked on for the last several months and workshops.

- b. PUBLIC HEARING to receive comments regarding the request.

PUBLIC HEARING opened at 6:13.

PUBLIC HEARING closed at 6:14.

7. Discuss and consider Ordinance 20210909-01 adopting the 2021-2022 Annual Operating Budget, possible action by record vote.

Mayor Pro Tem Spears made a motion to adopt Ordinance 20210909-01 adopting the 2021-2022 Annual Operating Budget. Alderman Holder seconded the motion. Mrs. Morgan called for record vote.

Alderman Wilkerson FOR

Alderman Scoggin FOR

Mayor Pro Tem Spears FOR

Alderman Holder FOR

Alderman Sandmann FOR

8. Discussion to ratify the property tax increase reflected in the 2022 fiscal year budget, compared to the previous year, as required by Sec. 102.007© of the Local Government Code, and possible action by record vote.

Mrs. Morgan stated the proposed rate is .200016 per \$100 valuation.

Mayor Pro Tem Spears made a motion to ratify the property tax increase reflected in the 2022 fiscal year budget, compared to the previous year, as required by Sec. 102.007© of the Local Government Code. Alderman Holder seconded the motion. Mrs. Morgan called for record vote.

Alderman Wilkerson FOR

Alderman Scoggin FOR

Mayor Pro Tem Spears FOR

Alderman Holder FOR

Alderman Sandmann FOR

9. Discuss and consider Ordinance 20210909-02 adopting the 2021 Tax Rate, possible action by record vote.

Mayor Pro Tem Spears made a motion to adopt Ordinance 20210909-02 adopting the 2021 Tax Rate. Alderman Holder seconded the motion. Mrs. Morgan called for record vote.

Alderman Wilkerson FOR

Alderman Scoggin FOR

Mayor Pro Tem Spears FOR

Alderman Holder FOR

Alderman Sandmann FOR

10. Discuss and consider request from Valley View Chamber of Commerce for police officer help during Wine Walk on October 9, 2021, possible action.

Laura McMullen, representing the Valley View Chamber of Commerce, stated that in the previous years' events, there was no payment required to have officers at the event and she was looking for clarification.

Alderman Sandmann asked how it had worked in the past. Cory Smith, Interim Chief of Police, stated that schedules had been rearranged and officers would come in. He stated that now that there are more officers, with set schedules, they are doing more things on their days off. Interim Chief Smith said that if it's the regularly scheduled officer only, he can't be dedicated to working the event. He added that the past events haven't had all the activities that this one has. Interim Chief Smith said the typical rate is \$45 per hour, but that he had told Meredith \$35 per hour with one officer if attendance was 150 or less, but that 2 officers would be needed if attendance was at the expected 250 plus mark. He added that reserve officers may be available, but that the City does end up paying for them in the end.

Ms. McMullen asked if there was an option to bring in an off duty officer from somewhere else. Interim Chief Smith said they would be paying the same, if not more.

Mrs. Morgan asked what the TABC requirements were on this. Alderman Holder asked if the number of people was a factor. Mrs. McMullen stated she did not want to put the City in a bind with available officers.

Alderman Wilkerson asked if this was even a Board of Aldermen issue.

Alderman Sandmann asked if they would have their own security.

Alderman Scoggin stated that if an officer comes in for the event, they should be paid. Interim Chief Smith agreed.

Alderman Holder said he was not comfortable switching, but if it's someone off duty or a reserve, he's good with that.

Alderman Sandmann asked if the officer would be there from start to finish and Interim Chief Smith said they would.

Ms. McMullen stated ticket sales had been slow, but that in 2019 there were 350 attendees. Interim Chief Smith reiterated that two officers would be needed once the number of attendees hit 250.

Alderman Scoggin asked if the event was just at the winery or all over. Ms. McMullen stated it was all around the square. Alderman Scoggin said that means two officers should be there. Interim Chief Smith agreed, stating that one person could be dedicated to the event and the officer on duty could stop in.

Ms. McMullen clarified that it all depends on the number of attendees and Interim Chief Smith agreed.

No Action.

11. Discuss and consider request from Valley View Chamber of Commerce for hotel occupancy tax funds, possible action.

Ms. McMullen stated that in the past, an Agreement had been made to pay the Chamber funds from the Hotel Occupancy Tax, but then Covid hit and nothing ever happened. Mrs. Morgan clarified that the Agreement was presented, but terms weren't agreed to and the Agreement was never signed.

Ms. McMullen stated the Chamber would like to ask for whatever they could to help with the event. She stated they were doing more trade with sponsors than getting financial sponsorships.

Alderman Scoggin asked if \$1,000 would be sufficient. Ms. McMullen said anything would help.

Alderman Sandmann asked what the original proposed agreement was. Mrs. Morgan stated that it was 25% of the total Hotel Occupancy Tax revenue each quarter.

Ms. McMullen stated they have paid \$1,100 for the porta potties, \$6,500 for the dueling pianos, and that they pay the wineries in hopes of them continuing to come back.

Alderman Wilkerson asked were the funds would fall within the Hotel Occupancy Tax allowances. Mrs. Morgan stated it would have to be advertising.

Ms. McMullen stated that in the past they had to provide the City documents showing the money in and the money out and any money from the City would free up money to be spent elsewhere.

Alderman Scoggin asked if a dollar amount would be better than a percentage. Mrs. Morgan advised the Agreement with a percentage was not valid.

Alderman Holder stated he would rather see a dollar amount than a percentage. Alderman Sandmann added that \$1,000 would not go very far. Mayor Chalk stated that \$2,000 in advertising, even radio, doesn't go very far.

Alderman Sandmann asked what 25% of the current year's occupancy tax revenue would be. Mrs. Morgan calculated it to \$3,417.65.

Alderman Holder made a motion to approve \$3,417.65 to be given from the Hotel Occupancy Tax to the Valley View Chamber of Commerce for use for advertising with the Wine Walk event. Alderman Wilkerson seconded the motion and the motion passed 5-0.

12. Discuss and consider Ordinance 20210909-03 amending the 2020-2021 Fiscal Year Budget, possible action.

Mrs. Morgan advised this was more reflective of the increased revenue and showed expenses that had been previously approved.

Alderman Holder made a motion to adopt Ordinance 20210909-03 a amending the 2020-2021 Fiscal Year Budget. Alderman Sandmann seconded the motion and the motion passed 5-0.

13. Discuss and consider Ordinance 20210909-04 adopting and enacting a new Code of Ordinances, possible action.

Mrs. Morgan stated this is the final product from the multiyear project by Franklin Legal. She stated that after this is approved, these will be the Ordinances and that changes can be made going forward.

Alderman Holder made a motion to adopt Ordinance 20210909-04 adopting and enacting a new Code of Ordinances. Mayor Pro Tem Spear seconded the motion and the motion passed 5-0.

14. Discuss and consider Resolution 09092021-01 recognizing the annual Christmas Parade and the temporary closure of a portion of FM 1307, possible action.

Mrs. Morgan stated this is needed in order to enter into a multiyear agreement with TxDot for the road closures with the event.

Alderman Scoggin made a motion to approve Resolution 09092021-01 recognizing the annual Christmas Parade and the temporary closure of a portion of FM 1307. Alderman Wilkerson seconded the motion and the motion passed 5-0.

15. Discuss and consider Resolution 09092021-02 recognizing the annual Trunk or Treat and the temporary closure of a portion of FM 1307, possible action.

Mrs. Morgan stated this is needed in order to enter into a multiyear agreement with TxDot for the road closures with the event.

Alderman Holder made a motion to approve Resolution 09092021-02 recognizing the annual Trunk or Treat and the temporary closure of a portion of FM 1307. Alderman Sandmann seconded the motion and the motion passed 5-0.

16. Discuss and consider BuyBoard quote from Grapevine Dodge Chrysler Jeep for purchase of 2 vehicles for the Police Department, possible action.

Interim Chief Smith presented the quote and stated that a local upfitter was found that is actually less expensive, but was presenting this as a worst case scenario on cost. He stated 2021 vehicles are not available and 2022 aren't open for ordering yet. He advised the anticipated receipt date of completed vehicles would be February or March.

Alderman Holder stated that the sooner the order is placed, the better. Mrs. Morgan added that payment is not made until vehicles are received.

Alderman Wilkerson asked what the turnaround time is for upfitting. Interim Chief Smith stated about 2 weeks, pending receipt of all the equipment, since not all of it comes from the upfitter.

Interim Chief Smith said that Alderman Wilkerson had asked a question earlier and he would address it with the entire Board. Alderman Wilkerson had asked about Durangos specifically. Interim Chief Smith stated that the City had received a copy of someone else's bid for Tahoes that was less expensive, but also had less equipment on them. Alderman Holder stated his research showed the fleet Tahoes aren't being recommended now. Interim Chief Smith said all the vehicles seem to have some issue, depending on who is asked, but that he has no personal experience with the Durangos. He added that former Chief Scott Otto had done significant research on them and that one of their equipment reps speaks very highly of them. He said that Chevy has been in law enforcement a long time, but it wasn't fair to compare the two without personal experience and that the Ram truck couldn't be used either, since it was not a pursuit vehicle.

Alderman Holder made a motion to approve the BuyBoard quote from Grapevine Dodge Chrysler Jeep for purchase of 2 vehicles for the Police Department. Alderman Sandmann seconded the motion and the motion passed 5-0.

17. Update on Pecan Creek Crossing.

Mrs. Morgan stated she had been in some email chains regarding the project and the developers were planning to meet with the engineer for a final walkthrough in a couple weeks.

No Action.

18. Update for N. Pecan Creek Trail road improvements.

No Action.

19. Adjourn.

Alderman Holder made a motion to adjourn at 7:13pm. Mayor Pro Tem seconded the motion and the motion passed 5-0.

Minutes of the Board of Aldermen were approved this 14th day of October, 2021.