

# Minutes of Regular Meeting of the Board of Alderman For the City of Valley View, Texas 02/10/2022

**Call meeting to order** – Mayor Chalk called the meeting to order at 6:04.

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

## 3. Mayor Comments

None.

#### 4. Public Comments

This is an opportunity for the public to address the Board on any matter on the agenda, except public hearings. Comments related to public hearings will be heard when the specific hearing begins. Public comments are limited to three (3) minutes per speaker, unless otherwise required by law. To address the Board, please sign in prior to the start of the Board Meeting. The Board is not permitted to take action on or discuss any item not listed on the agenda. The Board may only: (1) make a statement of fact regarding the item; (2) make a statement concerning the policy regarding the item; or (3) propose the item be placed on a future agenda. (Tex. Govt Code §551.042.)

None.

### 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 Special Meeting held on **January 20, 2022.**

Alderman Sandmann inquired about the payments to Kyle Kemp and Lynn Morgan, City Secretary, stated that he is the prosecutor for the City.

Alderman Holder made a motion to approve the Consent Items. Alderman Wilkerson seconded the motion and the motion passed 5-0.

6. Discuss and consider FYE 2021 Audit from Haynes and Associates, possible action.

Charlie Hayes, Hayes and Associates, presented the audit for FYE 2021 as an unqualified opinion, meaning it's a clean opinion from an auditor.

Mr. Hayes went through and explained the different formats of the data and how it is analyzed differently as accounting methods have evolved. He explained that the discussion and analysis sheets are an overview of the stats, activities, and include financial highlights. He further explained that the included Gatsby 34 set of books and Statement of Net Position forms are equal to the typical balance sheet used. Mr. Hayes said the Statement of Activity shows a full accrual method of accounting and reminded the Board that "networth" is not money available to spend. He stated the approved Budget was very close to the Actual numbers for the FYE of 2021.

Mr. Hayes stated there were some options for moving money between the funds, that could be addressed if the Board wants to make these changes in the future. He said he would also recommend sending a letter to the bank to confirm FDIC coverage.

Alderman Holder made a motion to accept the Audit for FYE 2021 as presented by Charlie Hayes. Mayor Pro Tem Spears seconded the motion and the motion passed 5-0.

7. Discuss and consider Joint Election Agreement with Cooke County for May 7, 2022 General Election, possible action.

Mrs. Morgan stated this is Agreement with the County in order for them to handle all aspects of the May 7, 2022 General Election. She explained that the state government had been pushing to combine some of these elections so that polling locations were combines. She also stated that there was a an issue of available election officials.

Alderman Sandmann made a motion to approve the Joint Election Agreement with Cooke County for the May 7, 2022 General Election. Alderman Holder seconded the motion and the motion passed 5-0.

8. Discuss and consider Ordinance 02102022-01, an Ordinance of the City of Valley View, Texas, adopting a Thoroughfare Plan; designating various types of streets; providing definitions and minimum right of way widths; providing for conflicts between laws, a severance clause, and an effective date, possible action.

Mrs. Morgan stated this was the Ordinance that had been worked on with the city engineer for a while. She stated that this Ordinance cleans up some of the inconsistencies with what was currently in place in regards to roadway types and requirements. She stated the one big change was the minimum width for residential estate streets was increased.

Alderman Scoggins asked if this is when changes can be made to this. Mrs. Morgan said it could be, but would likely take more conversations to get all the details out. She added that if this is adopted, it cleans up the existing and the changes can be made from there. Alderman Scoggin stated that she thinks they need to be updated.

Alderman Sandmann made a motion to approve the Ordinance 02102022-01, an Ordinance of the City of Valley View, Texas, adopting a Thoroughfare Plan; designating various types of streets; providing definitions and minimum right of way widths; providing for conflicts between laws, a severance clause, and an effective date. Alderman Holder seconded the motion and the motion passed 5-0.

9. Discuss and consider Resolution 02102022-01 regarding street closures for the 150<sup>th</sup> Birthday event, possible action.

Mrs. Morgan stated this was needed by TxDot to close the streets for the 150<sup>th</sup> Birthday event.

Alderman Wilkerson made a motion to approve Resolution 02102022-01 with the correction of the year to 2022. Alderman Scoggin seconded the motion and the motion passed 5-0.

10. Discuss and consider Resolution 02102022-02 adding Endo to Global Opioid Settlement, possible action.

Mrs. Morgan explained this was an addition to the Resolution for the Opioid Settlement previously signed. She stated that these specifics had been added, but that this Resolution also gives the Mayor the authority to sign any future additions without having to wait until a Board meeting.

Alderman Holder made a motion to approve Resolution 02102022-02 adding Endo to Global Opioid Settlement. Mayor Pro Tem Spears seconded the motion and the motion passed 5-0.

11. Discuss and consider the options for school zone pick up, possible action. (Scoggin)

Alderman Scoggin stated she wants to change the school pickup line back to what it was in years past.

Alderman Holder stated he didn't think that was a City decision. Alderman Scoggin stated that the City changed it.

Mayor Chalk asked if the City had to get permission to make these changes. Cory Smith, Chief of Police, said that in theory it wasn't necessary.

Alderman Sandmann asked why the change was proposed. Alderman Scoggin said that as people are lining up on Church Street, people are cutting in from the side streets at the intersections.

Alderman Holder stated that when cars are lined up on Lee Street, one has to go into the oncoming lane of traffic in order to go around those lined up for the school. He said that it congests a major road through town.

Alderman Scoggin said that it was only changed because of a waterline being put in. Chief Smith stated that it did start as a solution for utility work being done, but that as the year has gone on, the school likes the current pick up pattern.

Chief Smith said that some start lining up between 2:00 and 2:30 and when school finally lets out, there are 50-100 kids trying to cross the street in with cars everywhere. He said that in places where cars can't get off the road to wait, others do cross into the oncoming lane to go around them. Chief Smith said that as cars are parked, people pull out their phones and are not paying attention. He said it does become a safety issue when they start moving and are distracted. Chief Smith advised that in the beginning of the school year, with the change, there was an issue of driveways being blocked, but that they had talked to the citizens and it seems those issues have been resolved. He said that he tries to drive through the area as they are waiting and it seems to be going well.

Alderman Scoggin stated that it worked fine before.

Alderman Holder said that he has seen kids try to use the crosswalk and cars have to slam on their brakes, as they don't seem them around all the cars waiting. Alderman Wilkerson said it's not just kids, as he's seen parents open

car doors into traffic they couldn't see. Alderman Holder stated the bigger vehicles are definitely better waiting on Church instead of Lee.

Chief Smith said that one of the issues on Church is cars parked and others thinking they are in the pickup line and not going around.

Alderman Sandmann stated the line does start early, but it moves quickly once school is out.

Chief Smith stated that as a parent, he understands the frustrations, but there have always been complaints of people getting in front of others. He said that an intersection still legally gives a right of way.

Alderman Wilkerson asked if there were still issues, as he hadn't been that way in a while. Chief Smith stated that he tries to drive down Church and isn't seeing driveways blocked.

Alderman Wilkerson said he noticed the problem with kids trying to cross Lee to get to the ag barn. Chief Smith said that from a safety standpoint, things are better utilizing Church Street and Alderman Wilkerson agreed.

Alderman Holder said that pick up seemed to take forever from Lee Street, but it's moving better from Church. Chief Smith said that from a law enforcement aspect, he now has a more clear view of Lee Street.

Alderman Scoggin stated that when it was changed, it was supposed to be temporary. Chief Smith said that it was talked about being temporary.

Alderman Holder made a motion to leave the school pickup line as it is. Mayor Pro Tem Spears seconded the motion and the motion passed 4-1 with Alderman Scoggin opposed.

12. Discuss and consider 150<sup>th</sup> Birthday event, possible action.

Mrs. Morgan explained that the cutoff date to preorder shirts was approaching. She said that two digital billboards would be promoting the event for a month before the event. She added that volunteers would still be needed on the day of, with jobs available for people of all ages and skill levels.

### No Action.

13. Adjourn.

Alderman Holder made a motion to adjourn at 7:07 pm. Mayor Pro Tem Spears seconded the motion and the motion passed 5-0.

Minutes of the Board of Aldermen were approved this 10th day of March, 2022.