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**CALL TO ORDER—ROLL CALL**

The City Council of the City of Villa Grove met in regular session on **Monday, June 12, 2017**, in Council Chambers. Mayor Eversole-Gunter called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. Roll call found the following members present: Alderman Leon, Hunt, Griffith, Blaney, Allen, and Junior Alderman Madeline Shunk Alderman Stipp and Junior Alderman Gulick were both absent. Various Public members were in attendance. Clerk Osborne and Andy Kieser, Engineer from Fehr-Graham was also present.

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE** -The Mayor stood and led all attendees in The Pledge of Allegiance.

**Moment of Silence** was given to honor Caitlin Conner, age 10, who passed away in a car accident the previous week. Caitlin was a member of the Villa Grove School community and will be greatly missed by all.

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF THE LAST REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING HELD ON 5/22/17.**

Alderman Hunt motioned to approve the minutes of the Regular City Council meeting held on 5/22/17. Alderman Leon seconded the motion. Roll call: Griffith, yea, Allen, yea, Leon, yea, Hunt, yea, Blaney, yea, JA Shunk, yea. Motion carried.

**APPROVAL OF CLAIMS FOR PAYMENTS, IN THE AMOUNT OF \$215,047.27.**

Alderman Hunt motioned to approve the payment for claims in the amount of **\$215,047.27**. Alderman Leon seconded the motion. Roll call: Griffith, present, Allen, present, Leon, yea, Hunt, yea, Blaney, no, JA Shunk yea. Motion carried with one no vote, 2 yeas, and 2 present, which goes with majority.

**APPROVAL OF FINANCIAL STATEMENTS, MONTH ENDING APRIL 30, 2017.**

Alderman Hunt motioned to approve the financial statements for the Month Ending April 30, 2017, which was tabled at the last meeting. Alderman Leon seconded the motion. Roll call: Griffith, yea, Allen, yea, Leon, yea, Hunt, yea, Blaney, present, JA Shunk yea. Motion carried.

**PUBLIC COMMENTS-**

Randy Coffman-inquired about how the property at 409 Wilson may be used once it is sold.

Larry Hall-Ag Days Chairman-Reported on progress of the committee, request use of city facilities. A list was requested and this will be on the next Agenda.

Brad Drew-Made a request for the city to move the burn pile to the Industrial park south of VG, and allow his business, Leaf IT to Us to burn on the pile. This was sent to the public works committee meeting set up on Wed. June 14, 2017, at 7 pm for further information and discussion.

Andy Kieser from Fehr Graham gave updates on the progress of the water plant and finalized information on the ESC building. EPA is reviewing plans. FG is working on obtaining permits and getting demolition scheduled.

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**BUSINESS**

**ORDINANCE NO. 2017-MC06—AN ORDINANCE CONCERNING THE OPERATION OF GOLF CARTS WITHIN THE CITY OF VILLA GROVE**-Alderman Blaney motioned to approve this ordinance for operation of golf carts within the city. Motion was seconded by Alderman Hunt. Roll call: Griffith, no, Allen, no, Leon, yea, Hunt, yea, Blaney, yea, JA Shunk yea. Motion carried with 2 nays and 3 yeas.

**ORDINANCE NO. 2017-MC07—AN ORDINANCE ASCERTAINING THE PREVAILING RATE FOR WAGES OF LABORERES, MECHANICS, AND OTHER WORKERS ENGAGED IN THE CONSTRUCTION OF PUBLIC WORKS COMING UNDER THE JURISDICTION OF THE CITY OF VILLA GROVE.** Alderman Griffith motioned to approve the prevailing wage rates, Alderman Blaney seconded the motion. Roll call: Griffith, yea, Allen, yea, Hunt, yea, Blaney, yea, Leon, yea, JA Shunk, yea. Motion carried.

**APPROVAL OF PURCHASE OF NEW TRUCK.** Alderman Blaney motioned to approve the purchase of a work truck for the Public Works Department to be bought at the cost of \$35,160 from Ford of Tuscola. Alderman Leon seconded the motion. Roll call: Griffith, yea, Allen, yea, Leon, yea, Hunt, yea, Blaney, yea, JA Shunk, yea. Motion carried.

**APPROVAL OF PATCHING ROADWAYS IN VILLA GROVE.** Alderman Blaney motioned to approve Ne-Co Asphalt to complete patching of roadways in the City. Cost estimate is \$4000 for 2 patch locations. Alderman Allen seconded the motion. Roll call: Griffith, yea, Allen, yea, Leon, yea, Hunt, yea, Blaney, yea, JA Shunk, yea. Motion carried.

**APPROVAL OF 3 ALLEYWAYS TO BE RESURFACED WEST OF MAIN STREET IN VILLA GROVE.** Alderman Blaney motioned to approve Ne-Co Asphalt to complete resurfacing alleyways West of Main Street. Cost estimate is \$13,900 for 3 locations. Alderman Hunt seconded the motion. Roll call: Griffith, yea, Allen, Abstain, Leon, yea, Hunt, yea, Blaney, yea, JA Shunk, yea. Motion carried.

**APPROVAL OF 4 ALLEYWAYS TO BE RESURFACED EAST OF MAIN STREET IN VILLA GROVE.** Alderman Blaney motioned to approve Ne-Co Asphalt to complete resurfacing alleyways East of Main Street. Cost estimate is \$18,600 for 4 locations. Alderman Allen seconded the motion. Roll call: Griffith, yea, Allen, Abstain, Leon, yea, Hunt, yea, Blaney, yea, JA Shunk, yea. Motion carried.

**APPROVAL TO TRANSFER PUBLIC WORKS DEPRECIATION FUNDS FOR ALLEY RESURFACING.** Alderman Hunt motioned to approve the transfer of public works depreciation funds for the alley resurfacing. Alderman Allen seconded the motion. Roll call: Griffith, yea, Allen, yes, Leon, yea, Hunt, yea, Blaney, yea, JA Shunk, yea. Motion carried.

**APPROVAL OF ESC ORDER CHANGE #2 AND CERTIFICATE OF COMPLETION**-Alderman Leon motioned to approve the change order number 2 submitted for the ESC building in the amount of \$4000. Alderman Hunt seconded the motion. Roll call: Griffith, yea, Allen, yea, Hunt, yea, Blaney, present, Leon, yea, JA Shunk, yea. Motion carried.

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**APPROVAL OF ESC FINAL PAYMENT TO BUILDING SYSTEMS OF ILLINOIS, INC.** Alderman Hunt motioned to approve the final payment for the ESC building. This will begin the Warranty period of 1 year. Alderman Leon seconded the motion. Roll call: Griffith, yea, Allen, yea, Hunt, yea, Blaney, present, Leon, yea, JA Shunk, yea. Motion carried.

**APPROVAL TO WAIVE FORMAL BID PROCESS FOR DEMOLITION OF OLD FIRE/AMBULANCE** –Alderman Hunt motioned to approve to waive the formal bid process for demolition of the old Fire Department building. Enigineer Andy Kieser will have quotes at the next council meeting. Alderman Griffith seconded the motion. Roll call: Griffith, yea, Allen, yea, Hunt, yea, Blaney, yea, Leon, yea, JA Shunk, yea. Motion carried.

**APPROVAL OF PURCHASE OF DIPPIN’ DOTS FOR CONCESSION STAND SALES**-Alderman Blaney motioned to approve purchasing Dippin’ Dots for the concession stands to sell at the ballpark. Initial investment is \$573. Second was by Alderman Leon. Roll call: Griffith, yea, Allen, yea, Hunt, yea, Blaney, yea, Leon, yea, JA Shunk, yea. Motion carried.

**APPROVAL TO PURCHASE NEW FURNISHINGS FOR THE FIRE DEPARTMENT**-Alderman Hunt motioned to approve the purchase of two new office desks and 24 folding chairs for the new fire department at a total cost of \$845. Alderman Leon seconded the motion. Roll call: Griffith, yea, Allen, yea, Hunt, yea, Blaney, yea, Leon, yea, JA Shunk, yea. Motion carried.

**REQUEST FOR USE OF SIDEWALK BY EL RANCHO GRANDE FOR OUTDOOR SERVICE.** Alderman Hunt motioned to allow El Rancho Grande to use sidewalks for service at the restaurant. Alderman Griffith seconded the motion. Roll call: Griffith, no, Allen, no, Hunt, no, Blaney, no, Leon, no, JA Shunk, present. Motion unanimously denied.

**COMMITTEE REPORTS**

Administrative & Risk Management-Chair Blaney Reported there were no bids for the repairs to the City Hall building that came in. They will continue to look for a contractor for this project to give a quote. The Class of 1993 of VGHS wants to donate landscaping in one of the parks as a memorial.

Community Development-Chair Allen Nothing to report.

Franchise Development-Chair Leon City wide cleanup dates with Advanced Disposal are set for Dates of June 23-24, 2017. Main street lights are outdated and can't be repaired. There are multiple lights out, so a plan for replacement needs to be developed.

Emergency Services-Chair Hunt Nothing to report.

Public Works- Chair Griffith: Nothing to report.

Senior Center-Chair Stipp: Mayor Eversole-Gunter gave the senior center report (Alderman Stipp was absent). May-Congregate Meals: 98, Home Delivered: 80 with total meals served of 178.

Mayoral Report: Mayor Eversole-Gunter reported she is working on getting No Texting signs installed at the entrances to the City, in support of Caitlin's Challenge. 6 signs at \$27.90 per sign. IDOT will send, but VG has to install. She read a Thank you for the SAM's pantry for our donation. A Search has begun for a new attorney for ordinance violations. We are in the process of notifying for mowing ordinance violations. It is noted the Junior

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Aldermen are doing a great job. The website is almost ready to go live. She also commended the VFW for the Memorial Day services.

**EXECUTIVE SESSION** –Alderman Hunt motioned at 7:26 pm to go into Executive Session under the Open Meetings Act Section 2(C)(1) for Personnel, returning for further business after the session. Alderman Leon seconded the motion. Roll call: Griffith, yea, Allen, yea, Hunt, yea, Blaney, yea, Leon, yea. Motion carried. Council returned from Executive Session at 8:07 pm for further business.

**APPROVAL TO HIRE PART TIME HELP FOR THE 2017 CLEAN UP DAYS**–Alderman Leon motioned to approve hiring temporary part time help for the Clean up days on June 23-24, 2017. Workers will be paid \$10 per hour. Alderman Blaney seconded the motion. Roll call: Griffith, yea, Allen, yea, Hunt, yea, Blaney, yea, Leon, yea, JA Shunk, yea. Motion carried.

**ADJOURNMENT**–With no further business, Alderman *Hunt* motioned to adjourn the meeting at 8:08 p.m. Alderman Leon seconded the motion. Roll call: Griffith, yea, Allen, yea, Hunt, yea, Stipp, yea, Blaney, yea, Leon, yea, JA Shunk, yea. Motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,

*Michelle L. Osborne*

Michelle L. Osborne, City Clerk

XC: Mayor and City Council; Building Inspector; Department Heads; File