

Minutes
City of Villa Grove, Illinois
City Council Meeting
September 11, 2017

CALL TO ORDER—ROLL CALL

The City Council of the City of Villa Grove met in regular session on **Monday, September 11, 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, Blaney, Cheely, Allen, Griffith, Stipp and Junior Alderman Gulick. Junior Alderman Shunk was absent. Various Public members were in attendance. Clerk Osborne was also present.

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

APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF THE LAST REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING HELD ON 8/28/17.

Alderman Leon motioned to approve the minutes of the Regular City Council meeting held on 8/28/17. Alderman Allen seconded the motion. Roll call: Leon, yea, Cheely, yea, Blaney, yea, Allen, yea, Stipp, yea, JA Gulick, yea. Motion carried.

APPROVAL OF CLOSED SESSION MINUTES FROM 8/14/17 AND 8/28/17. Alderman Blaney motioned to approve the closed session minutes from 8/14/17 and 8/28/17. Alderman Allen seconded the motion. Roll call: Leon, yea, Cheely, yea, Blaney, yea, Allen, yea, Stipp, yea, JA Gulick, yea. Motion carried.

APPROVAL OF CLAIMS FOR PAYMENTS IN THE AMOUNT OF \$176,824.81 Alderman Allen motioned to approve the claims in the amount of \$176,824.81 to be paid. Alderman Leon seconded the motion. Roll call: Leon, yea, Cheely, yea, Blaney, yea, Allen, yea, Stipp, yea, JA Gulick, yea. Motion carried.

ENGINEER REPORT-No Updates.

PUBLIC COMMENTS-NO COMMENTS WERE MADE.

BUSINESS

APPROVAL OF PAYMENT OF BUD'S AUTO PARTS MONTHLY STATEMENT. Alderman Blaney motioned to approve the payment to Bud's Auto Parts for monthly statement. Alderman Griffith seconded the motion. Roll call: Alderman Allen Recused himself, Leon, yea, Cheely, yea, Blaney, yea, Stipp, yea, JA Gulick, yea. Motion carried.

APPROVAL FOR BID OF AIR CONDITIONER REPLACEMENT AT CITY HALL. Two bids were discussed, one from Do It Best, Tuscola-\$2470.54, and one from Mako Mechanical, Villa Grove-\$3800, to remove AC from city property on Wilson street and move and replace the AC in City Hall. Alderman Stipp motioned to table the vote until Council could get more information. Alderman Griffith seconded the motion to TABLE the vote. Roll call: Leon, yea, Cheely, yea, Blaney, yea, Allen, yea, Stipp, yea, JA Gulick, yea. Motion was TABLED.

APPROVAL FOR EMERGENCY SERVICES CENTER SIGNAGE NOT TO EXCEED \$1000. Alderman Allen motioned to approve the purchase of signage for the ESC at a maximum cost of \$1000. Alderman Leon seconded the motion. Roll call: Leon, yea, Cheely, yea, Blaney, yea, Allen, yea, Stipp, yea, JA Gulick, yea. Motion carried.

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COMMITTEE REPORTS

Administrative & Risk Management-Chair Blaney –Late fees on water bills were discussed and it was emphasized that the Administrative clerks in the office are following statues set in place by council and the council supports their enforcement of the rules. Also was reported that Auburn, IL, council thought the program for Junior Alderman was something they would like to do and asked us about how to develop that program.

Community Development-Chair Allen Reported on the committee meeting held and said ideas were discussed for how to support and promote our businesses. The next Community Development meeting will be held Sept. 28 at 7 pm, in council chambers.

Emergency Services-Chair Leon- Nothing to Report.

Franchise Development-Chair Cheely- Ken Miller from Advance Disposal was contacted about the damage to asphalt in the city alley ways. They will address this issue.

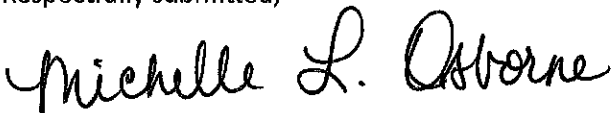
Public Works- Chair Griffith- Nothing to report.

Senior Center-Chair Stipp- Nothing to report.

Mayoral Report- Mayor Eversole-Gunter reported the demolition of the old Fire Dept. Building has begun. The Water tower is being painted. On Sept. 17, 2017 the BVG committee will paint at the basketball courts on Main Street. All volunteers are welcome!

ADJOURNMENT-With no further business, Alderman **Blaney** motioned to adjourn the meeting at 6:24 p.m. Alderman Allen seconded the motion. Roll call: Leon, yea, Blaney, yea, Cheely, yea, Allen, yea, Griffith, yea, Stipp, yea, JA Gulick, yea. Motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,



Michelle L. Osborne, City Clerk

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