

Minutes
City of Villa Grove, Illinois
City Council Meeting
December 26, 2018

CALL TO ORDER—ROLL CALL

The City Council of the City of Villa Grove met in regular session on **Wednesday, December 26, 2018**, 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, Johnson, Blaney, and Allen. Alderman Griffith, Stipp, and Junior Alderman Mixell, Junior Alderman Hutchison were absent. Clerk Osborne, City Administrator Athey, Department Heads Arbuckle and Gire, Fire Department Rep Patrick Lake were also present. Various Public members were in attendance.

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

MOMENT OF SILENCE-The Mayor asked for a moment of silence in remembrance of the third citizen who passed away on as a result of injuries from the Friday, December 7, 2018 car accident. Remembrance for Shirley Jones, longtime Villa Grove resident and volunteer, passed away on December 22, 2018. She will be greatly missed.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF THE LAST REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING HELD ON 12/10/18-Alderman Allen motioned to approve the minutes of the last regular council meeting held on December 10, 2018. Alderman Leon seconded the motion. Roll call: Leon, yea, Johnson, yea, Blaney, yea, Allen, yea. Motion carried.

APPROVAL OF CLAIMS FOR PAYMENTS IN THE AMOUNT OF \$76,932.29-Alderman Leon motioned to approve the payment of claims in the amount of **\$76,932.29** Alderman Johnson seconded the motion. Roll call: Leon, yea, Johnson, yea, Blaney, yea, Allen, yea. Motion carried.

PUBLIC COMMENTS-No Public Comments were made.

AWARD/ RECOGNITION OF VOLUNTEER-Mayor Eversole-Gunter presented Bill Koss, Villa Grove resident, with a plaque to recognize all of his volunteer work with the city. Bill is always willing and ready to pitch in on any project and he is greatly appreciated.

BUSINESS

1. **Approve 2019 Schedule of Public Meetings**-Alderman Leon motioned to approve the Schedule of Public Meetings for the 2019 year. Alderman Blaney seconded the motion. Roll call: Leon, yea, Johnson, yea, Blaney, yea, Allen, yea. Motion carried.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Administrative & Risk Management-Chair Blaney –Nothing to report

Community Development-Chair Johnson-Nothing to report-but there will be a meeting in January.

Emergency Services-Chair Leon- Patrick Lake from VGFD was present to report on the purchase of new gear that replaced out of compliance gear, and also for sizes not currently available.

Franchise Development-Chair Stipp- Nothing to report.

Public Works- Chair Allen-WTP is still on schedule. Doors, windows are in and electricity is on.

Senior Center-Chair Griffith- A plea from Alderman Blaney to please let people know about Peace Meal and invite them to participate so we don't end up losing this valuable program for our Senior Citizens.

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Mayoral Report- Mayor Eversole-Gunter-Nothing to report

EXECUTIVE SESSION- No closed session was needed.

ADJOURNMENT-With no further business, Alderman Blaney motioned to adjourn the meeting at 6:26 p.m. Alderman Leon seconded the motion. Roll call: Leon, yea, Johnson, yea, Blaney, yea, Allen, yea. Motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,

Michelle L. Osborne

Michelle L. Osborne, City Clerk

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