

Minutes
City of Villa Grove, Illinois
City Council Meeting
January 14, 2019

CALL TO ORDER—ROLL CALL

The City Council of the City of Villa Grove met in regular session on **Monday, January 14, 2019**, 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, Griffith, Allen, Stipp, and Junior Alderman Mixell. Alderman Johnson and Junior Alderman Hutchison were absent. Clerk Osborne, City Administrator Athey, Department Heads Arbuckle and Gire, Fire Department Rep Chris Elston, and City Attorney Dave Krchak were also present. Various Public members were in attendance.

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 12/26/18-Alderman Blaney motioned to approve the minutes of the last regular council meeting held on December 26, 2018. Alderman Allen seconded the motion. Roll call: Leon, yea, Blaney, yea, Griffith, yea, Allen, yea, Stipp, present, Mixell, yea. Motion carried.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF THE CLOSED SESSION MINUTES OF THE PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE MEETING HELD ON 12/7/18-Alderman Leon motioned to approve the minutes of the closed session of the Public Works Committee meeting held on December 7, 2018. Alderman Blaney seconded the motion. Roll call: Leon, yea, Blaney, present, Griffith, yea, Allen, yea, Stipp, yea. Motion carried.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF THE LAST SPECIAL COUNCIL MEETING HELD ON 1/3/19-Alderman Allen motioned to approve the minutes of the last special council meeting held on January 3, 2019. Alderman Leon seconded the motion. Roll call: Leon, yea, Blaney, yea, Griffith, yea, Allen, yea, Stipp, present, Mixell, yea. Motion carried.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE CLOSED SESSION MEETING HELD ON 1/3/19-Alderman Allen motioned to approve the minutes of the closed session of the Public Works Committee meeting held on January 3, 2019. Alderman Leon seconded the motion. Roll call: Leon, yea, Blaney, yea, Griffith, yea, Allen, yea, Stipp, present. Motion carried.

APPROVAL OF CLAIMS FOR PAYMENTS IN THE AMOUNT OF \$507,537.52-Alderman Blaney motioned to approve the payment of claims in the amount of **\$507,537.52**. Alderman Leon seconded the motion. Roll call: Leon, yea, Blaney, yea, Griffith, yea, Allen, yea, Stipp, yea, Mixell, yea. Motion carried.

ENGINEERING REPORT-Scott Arbuckle made the report in the absence of Andy Kieser stating that progress is continuing and the well is okay-no issues were found.

PUBLIC COMMENTS-No Public Comments were made.

BUSINESS

1. **Approve payment of monthly statement from Bud's Auto Parts amount of \$158.98**-Alderman Leon motioned to approve the monthly statements of Bud's Auto Parts for \$158.98. Alderman Griffith seconded the motion. Roll call: Leon, yea, Blaney, yea, Griffith, yea, Allen, recused himself, Stipp, yea, Mixell, yea. Motion carried.

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2. **Approval of WTP Contractor Payment No. 8 for \$136,752.69**-Alderman Allen motioned to approve the payment number 8 to the WTP contractor in amount of \$136,752.69. Alderman Leon seconded the motion. Roll call: Leon, yea, Blaney, yea, Griffith, yea, Allen, yea, Stipp, yea, Mixell, yea. Motion carried.
3. **Approval of contract for services with Architectural Expressions LLP**-Alderman Allen motioned to approve the contract for services with Architectural Expressions LLP. Alderman Leon seconded the motion. Roll call: Leon, yea, Blaney, yea, Griffith, present, Allen, yea, Stipp, yea, Mixell, yea. Motion carried.
4. **Approval to renew contract with Steve Duke for licensed operator services**-Alderman Blaney motioned to approve the contract for Steve Duke for licensed operator services. Full fees will be paid until Scott Arbuckle receives his certification and then fees will go down. Alderman Allen seconded the motion. Roll call: Leon, yea, Blaney, yea, Griffith, yea, Allen, yea, Stipp, yea, Mixell, yea. Motion carried.
5. **Approval to create an ordinance for renumbering of Magnolia Drive Address**-Alderman Stipp motioned to approve renumbering of the Richard Rose residence, currently known as 105 Magnolia, to the updated and correct address of 109 Magnolia Drive. This corrects a long standing error in the address of this parcel. The City will reimburse their fees for the change of address at courthouse. Alderman Leon seconded the motion. Roll call: Leon, yea, Blaney, yea, Griffith, yea, Allen, yea, Stipp, yea, Mixell, yea. Motion carried.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Administrative & Risk Management-Chair Blaney –Meeting Jan. 21, 2109 following the Community Development committee meeting.

Community Development-Chair Johnson-In his absence committee member Blaney stated there would be a meeting on Jan. 21 at 5:30 pm.

Emergency Services-Chair Leon- Nothing to report.

Franchise Development-Chair Stipp- Nothing to report.

Public Works- Chair Allen-Thank you to the Public Works department for the good job clearing snow.

Senior Center-Chair Griffith-There is a volunteer, Robin Cowman, who is filling in. Senior program has gained 2 participants.

Mayoral Report- Mayor Eversole-Gunter-SBL is interviewing applicants and has a very good candidate. She would like to have the council ask the candidate to also be the Activity Director, as was Kris Trudeau, for an hour of programming activities after the meal.

EXECUTIVE SESSION- Alderman Blaney motioned to move to closed session at 6:01 pm under the Open Meetings Act according to Section 2(c)(1) of 5 ILCS/120/2 exceptions to the Open Meetings Act for discussion of the appointment, employment, compensation, discipline, performance or dismissal of specific employees, with further action upon return to open session. Alderman Leon seconded the motion. Roll call: Leon, yea, Blaney, yea, Griffith, yea, Allen, yea, Stipp, yea. Motion carried. Council returned to Open Session at 6:39 pm and continued with further actions.

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ADJOURNMENT-With no further business, Alderman Blaney motioned to adjourn the meeting at 6:56 p.m. Alderman Stipp seconded the motion. Roll call: Leon, yea, Blaney, yea, Griffith, yea, Allen, yea, Stipp, yea. Motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Michelle L. Osborne".

Michelle L. Osborne, City Clerk

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