

Minutes
City Council Regular Meeting
May 13, 2019

CALL TO ORDER—ROLL CALL

The City Council of the City of Villa Grove met in regular session on **Monday, May 13, 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, Johnson, Blaney, Griffith, Allen, and Junior Alderman Hutchison. Alderman Stipp and Mixell were absent. Clerk Osborne, City Manager, 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 the MINUTES OF THE LAST REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING HELD ON 4/22/19-Alderman Blaney motioned to table the minutes of the last regular council meeting held on April 22, 2019 for corrections to be made by Clerk Osborne. Alderman Allen seconded the motion. Roll call: Leon, yea, Johnson, yea, Blaney, yea, Griffith, yea, Allen, yea, JA Hutchison, yea. Motion carried to TABLE.

APPROVAL OF CLAIMS FOR PAYMENTS IN THE AMOUNT OF FY19 \$381,801.28-Alderman Leon motioned to approve the payment of claims for FY19 in the amount of **\$381,801.28**. Alderman Johnson seconded the motion. Roll call: Leon, yea, Johnson, yea, Blaney, yea, Griffith, yea, Allen, yea, JA Hutchison, yea. Motion carried.

APPROVAL OF CLAIMS FOR PAYMENTS IN THE AMOUNT OF FY20 \$65,206.48-Alderman Leon motioned to approve the payment of claims for FY20 in the amount of **\$65,206.48**. Alderman Johnson seconded the motion. Roll call: Leon, yea, Johnson, yea, Blaney, yea, Griffith, yea, Allen, yea, JA Hutchison, yea. Motion carried.

ENGINEERING REPORT- The water is being softened now and the scrubber is working. Adjustments are still needed. The interior is still being finished, but the office is ready for the move next week. Andy also gave an update about the sewer plant, which was last updated in the 1970's. The plant is in disrepair and a loan from the IEPA has been applied for. The loan is low interest of 1.3% for 30 years, and includes a 35% loan forgiveness .

PUBLIC COMMENTS-No comments

OLD COUNCIL BUSINESS

1. **Approve payment of monthly statement from Bud's Auto Parts-\$76.16**-Alderman Leon motioned to approve payment of the Bud's Auto Parts bill in the amount of \$76.16. Alderman Johnson seconded the motion. Roll call: Leon, yea, Johnson, yea, Blaney, yea, Griffith, yea, Allen, recused, JA Hutchison, yea. Motion carried.
2. **Approval of Water Treatment Plant Contractor Payment No. 12 in the amount of \$110,757.88**-Alderman Leon motioned to approve WTP Contractor payment #12 amount of \$110,757.88. Alderman Johnson seconded the motion. Roll call: Leon, yea, Johnson, yea, Blaney, yea, Griffith, yea, Allen, yea, JA Hutchison, yea. Motion carried.

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3. **Approval of Engineering Agreement for Sewer Plant design/loan planning.** Alderman Blaney motioned to approve the engineering agreement for the sewer plant design and loan planning. Alderman Leon seconded the motion. Roll call: Leon, yea, Johnson, yea, Blaney, yea, Griffith, yea, Allen, yea, JA Hutchison, yea. Motion carried.
4. **Approval to increase the amount for the Emergency Services Building Signage to \$1500-**Alderman Leon motioned to approve increasing the allowance for the signage for the Emergency Services Building. Alderman Johnson seconded the motion. Roll call: Leon, yea, Johnson, yea, Blaney, yea, Griffith, yea, Allen, yea, JA Hutchison, yea. Motion carried.
5. **Approve attendance of officials to the IML Conference in September 2019-**Alderman Blaney motioned to approve attendance to the IML Conference in September. Alderman Leon seconded the motion. Roll call: Leon, yea, Johnson, yea, Blaney, yea, Griffith, yea, Allen, yea, JA Hutchison, yea. Motion carried.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Administrative & Risk Management-Chair Blaney–The Henson Park Sign is completed and thanks go to Michael Holmes for his assistance in the landscaping. Thank you to all the volunteers who helped with cleaning up the park.

Community Development-Chair Johnson- The park restrooms have been updated with new plumbing, and we give a special thanks to Sean Clodfelder and CU Plumbing for the donation of the new items and the labor. The Main Street Plaza was completed by May 5 for the Cinco de Mayo celebration. The May 5 event was well attended and a success. Thank you to all of the volunteers who helped with this project.

Emergency Services-Chair Leon- No report.

Franchise Development-Chair Stipp-No report

Public Works- Chair Allen-The light poles on Main Street are being replaced by Ameren. The Jonah Fish Fry will be May 15 at the VG Methodist Church.

Senior Center-Chair Griffith- The VCR is up and working.

Mayoral Report- A memorial bench in honor of Kris Trudeau, John and Shirley Jones has arrived and will be placed in front of the Senior Center. The water plant is ready for the office move on May 20. A thank you to Mike Leon and Bob Stipp for their service to the city and council. Both received a plaque of appreciation. The Mayor also asked for a consensus to approve hiring the moving company Two Men and a Truck to move the city office items on May 20-22, 2019. Consensus from total council was given, with a vote to be included on the next agenda.

SWEARING IN OF NEWLY ELECTED OFFICIALS- The newly elected council members Tony Hooker, Derek Johnson, and Ryan Garrett were sworn in. They took their seats at the council table and the meeting continued.

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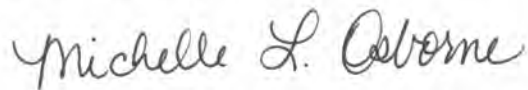
CLOSED SESSION-Alderman Blaney motioned to go into Closed Session at 6:30 pm under the Open Meetings Act according to Section 2(c)(1) of 5 ILCS/120/2 Exceptions to Open meetings act for discussion of the appointment, employment, compensation, discipline, performance or dismissal of specific employees. Also under 2(c)(2) Collective negotiating matters between the City and Employees or deliberations concerning salary schedules for one or more classes or employees. Alderman Johnson seconded the motion. Roll call: Hooker, yea, Johnson, yea, Blaney, yea, Griffith, yea, Allen, yea, Garrett, yea. Motion to go to closed session approved, but there will be further action upon return to open session. JA Hutchison left the meeting at this point. Council Returned to Open session at 8:03 pm and continued with the Business for the New Council.

NEW COUNCIL BUSINESS

1. **Approve recodification of municipal code S-8 Supplement for a maximum of \$3500.** Alderman Allen motioned to approve the recodification of the municipal code. Alderman Johnson seconded the motion. Roll call: Hooker, yea, Johnson, yea, Blaney, yea, Griffith, yea, Allen, yea, Garrett, yea. Motion carried.
2. **Approve new purchase of CA6 rock at approximate cost of \$1700**-Alderman Blaney motioned to approve the purchase of CA6 rock. Alderman Johnson seconded the motion. Roll call: Hooker, yea, Johnson, yea, Blaney, yea, Griffith, yea, Allen, yea, Garrett, yea. Motion carried.
3. **Approve purchase of lateral files for the new city offices at approx cost of \$2556.11**-Alderman Blaney motioned to approve the purchase of lateral files for the new city offices. Alderman Griffith seconded the motion. Roll call: Hooker, yea, Johnson, yea, Blaney, yea, Griffith, yea, Allen, yea, Garrett, yea. Motion carried.

ADJOURNMENT-With no further business, Alderman Blaney motioned to adjourn the meeting at 8:30 p.m. Alderman Garrett seconded the motion. Roll call: Hooker, yea, Johnson, yea, Blaney, yea, Griffith, yea, Allen, yea, Garrett, yea. Motion carried and meeting adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,



Michelle L. Osborne, City Clerk

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