

Minutes
Regular City Council Meeting
October 11, 2022

CALL TO ORDER - ROLL CALL

The City Council of the City of Villa Grove met in regular session on **Tuesday, October 11, 2022**, in Council Chambers. Mayor Eversole-Gunter called the meeting to order at 6:21 p.m. Roll call found the following members present: Alderman Blaney, Garrett, Hooker. Aldermen Pangburn, Cheely, and Johnson were absent. City Administrator Athey, Clerk Osborne, PW Director Lake, PD Chief Rea, were also present. Council followed all COVID 19 protocols for social distancing.

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

CONSENT AGENDA (ITEMS FOR SINGLE-VOTE APPROVAL WITHOUT DISCUSSION) - Alderman Hooker motioned to approve the full consent agenda. Alderman Garrett seconded the motion. Roll Call: Blaney, yea, Garrett, yea, Hooker, yea, Mayor Eversole-Gunter, yea. Motion approved.

1. Minutes of the regular City Council meeting, held September 12, 2022
2. Minutes of the special City Council meeting held September 21, 2022
3. Minutes of the regular City Council meeting, held September 26, 2022
4. Minutes of the closed session of the regular City Council meeting, held September 26, 2022
5. Approval of Claims for Payment
6. Financial Reports for the month ending June 30, 2022
7. Financial reports for the month ending July 31, 2022
8. Cash Balance Report for the month ending August 31, 2022
9. Cash Balance Report for the month ending September 30, 2022

PUBLIC COMMENTS - No public in attendance for comments.

CITY ADMINISTRATOR/OTHER REPORTS

CITY ADMINISTRATOR REPORT - Jacki Athey reported: They have been processing the last water bill payments, and the collections of delinquent accounts. The VG School is asking for payment of TIF reimbursements. The council gave consent to pay the reimbursement of \$20k. The Christmas tree on Main Street was decorated with the assistance of Owen's Tree Service and their bucket truck and crew. We thank them for working so hard to complete this so quickly. The Chamber of Commerce meeting that Jacki attended noted the Wine Walk they sponsored turned out very well. The Illinois American Water packets came in the mail today to residents. The next CIMOA meeting will be in Monticello on October 20.

DEPARTMENT HEAD REPORTS: Public Works: Director Randy Lake reported: IDOT said we cannot mow the ditches at Pheasant Pointe along Rte. 130. The retention pond will be maintained by the City. The dump truck needs new tires. 3C's Automotive center gave a quote and consensus was given to purchase the 'Better' level tires. The Side by Side Multi use vehicle purchase is needed for plowing walk, jobs at the parks, community center, and for field dragging. A quote on that was \$20k from Decatur Motorsports, and this includes the snowplow, shovel, and other accessories. They have found a bucket truck in Rockford-a 2011 Diesel for \$65,000. They will be going tomorrow to pick it up. The lease on the Bobcat skid steer is expiring and they will get a quote on the lease of a new machine.

Police Department: Police Chief Rea reports he will run ads for hiring new officers, which the council gave consent to do.

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MAYORAL REPORT - The Mayor reported the school district has requested that we paint the crosswalk lines on the crossing at McCoy by Paul's Machine and Welding. PW will do so.

BUSINESS

1. **Swearing in of Officer Campbell**-Police Chief Rea swore in Officer Dylan Campbell as a full time Police Officer.

CLOSED SESSION - No Closed session.

ADJOURNMENT - With no further business, Alderman Garrett motioned to adjourn the meeting at 7:46 pm. Alderman Hooker seconded the motion. Roll Call: Blaney, yea, Garrett, yea, Hooker, yea. Motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,

Michelle L. Osborne

Michelle L. Osborne, City Clerk

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