

VALLEY CENTER COUNCIL MEETING
June 19, 2018
CITY HALL
121 S. MERIDIAN

Mayor Laurie Dove called the regular session to order at 7:00 p.m. with the following members present: Gina Gregory, Marci Maschino, Matt Stamm, Ben Anderson and Paul Davis.

Members Absent: Ray Strunk, Brendan McGettigan

Staff Present: Scott Hildebrand, City Administrator
Kristine Polian, Asst. City Administrator
Lonnie Tormey, Fire Chief
Neil Owings, Parks and Public Buildings Director
Matthew Vogt, Police Sergeant
Joshua Golka, City Engineer
Barry Arbuckle, City Attorney
Kristi Carrithers, City Clerk
Jennifer Courtney, City Treasurer
Amanda Park

Press present: The Ark Valley News

APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA

Mayor Dove added item 12E-5th Street Discussion to the agenda under new business.

Gregory moved to approve the agenda as amended, seconded by Stamm. Vote yea: unanimous. Motion carried.

ADMINISTRATION AGENDA

MINUTES –JUNE 5, 2018 REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING

Anderson moved to accept the minutes of the June 5, 2018, regular City Council meeting, seconded by Davis. Vote yea: unanimous. Motion carried.

PRESENTATIONS/PROCLAMATIONS –

2017 AUDIT REPORT

Jonathan Nibarger with Mize Houser & Company presented the audit findings for 2017. He stated that staff and management was cooperative and helpful. They found no deficiencies. Council member Maschino expressed appreciation to Asst. Administrator Polian and her staff for an excellent report.

PUBLIC FORUM – None

APPOINTMENTS –

VALLEY CENTER COUNCIL MEMBER-WARD 1

Mayor Dove appointed Ronald Colbert to serve Ward 1 for the Dale Kerstetter's un-expired term. Maschino moved to accept the appointment, seconded by Gregory. Vote yea: unanimous. Motion carried. Oath of

office was given by City Clerk Carrithers and Council member Colbert joined the Council at the bench at 7:10pm.

COMMITTEES, COMMISSIONS – None

OLD BUSINESS – None

NEW BUSINESS-

A. COMPREHENSIVE BUDGET DISCUSSION

Hildebrand reported that Valley Center received a 5.7% increase in assessed valuations from the County. Using this data and an outcome based budget strategy, Hildebrand presented an initial draft proposal for the 2019 budget. The outcomes have been divided into three levels of priorities. Hildebrand explained that priority 1 and priority 2 funding can be obtained without an increase in taxes. If the Council chooses to consider any of the priority 3 projects a mil increase or a re-alignment of priorities would be needed. Hildebrand encouraged members of Council to review his report and the proposed 2019 budget.

No action taken.

B. CIP FINANCIAL ANALYSIS

Dustin Avey with Piper Jaffrey discussed options for the Capital Improvement Plan, plan of finance summary. Avey noted that while rates have risen slightly, they are still low. Use of temporary notes and General Obligation Bonds will be used for financing. The City has started the application process to secure funding from USDA for the water system project.

No action taken.

C. FORMER PUBLIC LIBRARY BUILDING

Hildebrand requested opinions from Council regarding the type of plaque and names listed on the Community Building dedication plaque. Council recommended including Council and Library Board member names who served within the past year and were involved with the process.

Hildebrand reported that insurance on the former library building will no longer be available once the library vacates the building. He has received inquiries from interested buyers. Gregory asked if the City would be able to use the building. Maschino questioned what types of buyers were interested. Anderson raised the issue of a goal to maximize profit or find the best use of the building. Council would like more information before making any decisions, but indicated they would be open to market the building.

No action was taken.

D. COMMUNITY BUILDING FLAG POLE DISCUSSION

Maschino moved, seconded by Anderson to approve request by American Legion to have flag pole dedicated to Smith-Phipps Post #73. Vote yea: unanimous. Motion carried.

Maschino inquired about status of shelving in the new Library and possible opening date. Janice Sharp, Librarian, reported they have received one of the book shelves and anticipates the remaining shelves being delivered in time for the July 4th grand opening. The memorial bricks should be installed next week according to Parks Director Owings.

E. 5TH STREET DISCUSSION

Hildebrand expressed concern regarding traffic safety in the construction zone along 5th Street. Staff have received complaints about automobiles traveling the wrong way on the one lane open for traffic. Council

discussed impact on closing traffic both directions again and need for safety. Stamm inquired whether the contractor would be able to complete work quicker or make concessions to the City. Golka and Hildebrand will meet with the contractor to discuss options.

CONSENT AGENDA

- A. APPROPRIATION ORDINANCE**
- B. TREASURER'S RPORT**
- C. REVENUE AND EXPENSE SUMMARIES**
- D. DELINQUENT ACCOUNT REPORT**
- E. CHECK RECONCILIATION-APRIL 2018**
- F. CHECK RECONCILIATION-MAY 2018**
- G. APPROVAL FOR FARMER'S MARKET AT COMMUNITY BUILDING**

Maschino moved, seconded by Stamm to approve the Consent Agenda as presented. Vote Yea: Unanimous. Motion carried.

STAFF REPORTS- None

GOVERNING BODY REPORTS –

Mayor welcomed newly appointed Councilmember Colbert and looks forward to working with him.

Colbert thanked Mayor and Council and looks forward to serving on the City Council.

Stamm moved to adjourn, second by Maschino. Vote Yea: Unanimous.

ADJOURN -

Meeting adjourned at 8:12 PM.

Kristi Carrithers, City Clerk