

CITY OF VALLEY FALLS

Open Meeting

March 15, 2017

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The meeting was called to order by Mayor Charles Stutesman. Council members present were Tony Trower, Lucy Thomas, Andy Dinger, Betsy Doughramaji, and Mike Hahn. Other members present were Clarke Davis.

The minutes from the March 1, 2017 meeting were presented. Lucy moved to approve. Tony seconded the motion. Motion carried 5-0.

Petitions, Proclamations, Request, Complaints, Visitors, Etc: Waste Management: Tim Twitchel and Randy Schmelzle were here to introduce themselves. They were here for any specific questions the Council may have regarding trash contracts. Bid opening will be at the April 5th meeting. The new contract will start May 1, 2017.

Public Comments:

Committee Reports:

Administrative: Denise talked with Shawn Ball regarding disposing of houses after demolition is complete. He stated he contracts directly with the companies taking down the homes.

*Conversations still continue with Midland Care, PEC, and the City on final details of the drainage easement. A meeting is set for Thursday March 16th at 9:00am.

Water/Sewer: Paul presented a bid from Ace Plumbing to TV the sewer mains on Walnut and Oak streets and then out to the sewer ponds. The cost is \$7,890. Tony moves to approve. Betsy seconds the motion. Motion carried 5-0.

*Paul purchased a new ventilation fan for the lift station on Linn St. The cost was \$758.

Streets/Alleys: There will be no street overlays this year.

*It is time to place the ad for summer help in the paper. The City will be hiring two summer help employees.

Parks:

Fire Board: The board is looking at a new fire truck that isn't available until August.

Police/Court: Bronson will be placing both Crown Vic cars on Purple Wave sometime next week.

*There was a part time applicant that is very interested in a position here. He has not completed the part time training yet. This will have to be completed in Hutchison. Before Bronson started the process of the back ground check he wanted to see how the council felt about sending this officer to training. After short discussion there was no objection on sending this applicant for training if hired. Bronson will proceed and start the background investigation.

Health Code:

VFEDC:

Swimming Pool: Paul wanted to touch base on the trees needing to be removed at the new swimming pool sight. After discussion it was decided to remove the trees and not try to transplant them somewhere else in town. Paul and his crew will begin that project.

*Paul also didn't know if he was to begin to stock pile the rock there for the parking lot. It was decided to wait until we talk with Kyle McCawley at Larkin again.

Old Business:

New Business:

VOUCHERS

The vouchers were presented. Mike moved to approve and Tony seconded the motion. Motion carried 5-0.

ADJOURNMENT

Andy moved to adjourn the meeting and Betsy seconded the motion. Motion carried 5-0.

APPROVED: _____
CHARLES L. STUTESMAN, MAYOR

ATTEST: _____
APRIL HERBSTER, CITY CLERK