

**The public is invited to a reception with coffee, tea and snacks
to meet our new Interim City Manager beginning at 5:30pm**

CITY OF VAN ALSTYNE

MINUTES

City Council Meeting

Van Alstyne Community Center
262 N. Preston Ave

MARCH 13, 2018

6:30 P.M.

Members present: Mayor Pro Tem Teddie Ann Salmon, Brad Clough, Robert Jaska and Suzon Crowell.

Staff present: Lane Jones, Jennifer Gould, Tim Barnes, Ryan Dockery, Steve White and Judy Kimzey.

AGENDA

1. Call to Order. *Mayor Pro Tem Salmon called the meeting to order at 6:30pm.*
2. Invocation. *Recited by Robert Jaska.*
3. Pledges of Allegiance. *Led by Brad Clough.*
4. Citizens Communications. *None.*
5. Presentation of plaque and recognition of years of service for Chief Barnes. *Mayor Pro Tem Salmon presented Chief Tim Barnes with a plaque in recognition of his 25 years of service to the City of Van Alstyne.*
15. Presentation and discussion regarding the Grayson County Master Thoroughfare Plan. *Jeff Whitmire spoke to the need for a county thoroughfare plan that coordinates with cities to create a thoughtful cohesive plan. Clay Barnett, Grayson County Engineer, presented the most recent draft of the plan. County Judge Bill Magers discussed funding. Suzon Crowell suggested taking out the blue on Ballard Rd from Lincoln Park Rd west. Len McManus advised the County would like cities to adopt the plan by June. This will be a tool to help encourage developers to provide right-of-way. No action taken.*

CONSENT AGENDA

Items listed on the consent agenda allow the Council to approve all items together without discussion or individual motions. Items may be removed from the consent agenda on the request of any one member of the Council. Removed items will be discussed and action taken immediately after the consent agenda.

6. Consider and take any action necessary regarding approval of minutes from the February 5, 2018, February 18, 2018 and March 1, 2018 special called meetings and the February 13, 2018 regular meeting.
8. Consider and take any action necessary regarding authorizing the Mayor Pro Tem to sign an agreement with Home Hospice of Grayson County for the provision of non-emergency ambulance transfer services insuring the city receives payment for all services rendered.

9. Consider and take any action necessary regarding awarding a contract for the East Jefferson Waterline Relocation of an existing 760 linear feet of waterline out of the TxDOT right-of-way meeting TxDOT requirements, in the amount of \$84,110.00 to JRB Pipeline Services.

Brad Clough made a motion to approve items 6, 8 and 9 listed on the consent agenda. Suzon Crowell seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously.

REGULAR AGENDA (NON-CONSENT)

7. Consider and take any action necessary regarding a final plat for Georgetown Village Addition, Phase 4, being a 16.10 acre tract out of the William Creager Survey, Abstract No. 201, in the City of Van Alstyne, Grayson County, Texas. This property is generally located east of Kelly Lane, west of S. Waco Street and south of Newport Drive. *Suzon Crowell questioned the green space as required. Len McManus advised that this is part of the original Georgetown Planned Development and the amenities provided for the development count toward the green space requirement. Mrs. Crowell questioned why the walking path is not required to be concrete. Ryan Hayes with Stonehollow Homes advised that the composition of the path is a up to the developer as a bargaining tool because they are having to work around issues that they should not. The elementary campus drainage creates an issue for the development as well as the bridge going to Forrest Moore Park. The drainage from the campus flows to the development and the bridge is on Stonehollow Homes property rather than the ISD or City property. Stonehollow Homes has elected to give up a residential lot to accommodate these issues. Robert Jaska made a motion to approve the plat as presented. Brad Clough seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously.*
10. Consider and take any action necessary regarding a resolution approving and adopting an annual rate review mechanism as a substitution for the annual interim rate adjustment process as requested by Atmos Energy Corp., Mid-Tex Division (“Atmos Mid-Tex” or “Company”). *Terry Tombaugh with Atmos Energy detailed the nature of the request. Suzon Crowell made a motion to deny. Terry Tombaugh advised that if not passed, Atmos Energy will go to the Railroad Commission to apply all rate fees to Van Alstyne. The motion died for lack of a second. Brad Clough made a motion to approve the resolution as presented. Robert Jaska seconded the motion and the motion passed with Brad Clough, Robert Jaska and Teddie Ann Salmon in favor and Suzon Crowell opposed.*
11. Consider and take any action necessary regarding approval of an ordinance of the City of Van Alstyne, Texas, authorizing the issuance and sale of the City of Van Alstyne, Texas Tax Note, Series 2018; levying an annual ad valorem tax and providing for the security for and payment of said note; and enacting other provisions relating to the subject. *Suzon Crowell made a motion to approve the ordinance and authorize Mayor Pro Tem Salmon to execute all documents. Robert Jaska seconded the motion and the motion passed with Suzon Crowell, Robert Jaska and Teddie Ann Salmon in favor and Brad Clough abstaining.*
12. Consider and take any action necessary regarding approval of a request by the Parks and Recreation Board to seek funding from the Community Development Corporation for a dog park at Forrest Moore Park. *Jim Atchison spoke in favor of the proposed dog park suggesting it is low cost with minimal impact to maintenance. Teddie Ann Salmon advised of the need. Brad Clough commended the Parks Board on the planning and use of space. Robert Jaska asked about the cleanup schedule to which Steve White advised that the employee dedicated to parks maintenance will provide waste disposal. Suzon Crowell clarified the need for the Parks Board to come before City Council prior to going before CDC advising that the CDC should not feel forced to fund the project. The CDC will prioritize funding at their discretion. Brad Clough made a motion to approve the request. Suzon Crowell seconded the motion and the motion passed with Brad Clough, Suzon Crowell and Teddie Ann Salmon in favor and Robert Jaska abstaining.*
13. Consider and take any action necessary regarding approval of a request by the Parks and Recreation Board to seek funding from the Community Development Corporation for benches and lighting at

Dorothy Fielder Park. Discussion was held regarding the type of lighting. Steve White advised it will be a daylight bulb that is downcast to reduce light pollution. Suzon Crowell made a motion to approve the request. Brad Clough seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously.

14. Consider and take any action necessary regarding approval of an unbudgeted emergency expense to repair Well No. 4 in the amount of \$98,128.66. Suzon Crowell made a motion to approve the expense. Brad Clough seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously.

16. City Manager's Report. City Manager Lane Jones provided a report detailing his first week.

17. Departmental Reports. Jennifer Gould provided the Administrative Department statistics for the prior month, Chief Tim Barnes provided Police Department statistics for the prior month, Judy Kimzey provided the Library Department statistics for the prior month, Chief Ryan Dockery provided Fire/EMS Department statistics for the prior month and Steve White provided Public Works Department statistics for the prior month and Len McManus provided an update on various projects.

18. Mayor and Council Closing Comments. Brad Clough thanked all for participation in Read Across America. Robert Jaska advised of upcoming community events. Suzon Crowell provided a reminder that it is a felon to remove campaign signs and encouraged respectfulness of differing opinions.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

In accordance with Chapter 551 of the Texas Government Code (Open Meetings Law), the City Council may meet in a closed Executive Session pursuant to applicable laws.

19. All items below for Executive Session:

Pursuant to the following designated sections of Texas Government Code, Annotated, Subchapter 551, the Council will enter into executive session to discuss the following items:

- a) Section 551.072 [Deliberation Regarding Real Property] regarding purchase of property by the Economic Development Corporation.

Council recessed into closed session at 8:35pm.

Council reconvened into open session at 9:03pm.

OPEN MEETING

20. Consider and take any action necessary as a result of executive session. *No action taken. A special called meeting will be scheduled.*

21. Adjournment. Brad Clough made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 9:03pm. Robert Jaska seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously.

Teddie Ann Salmon, Mayor Pro Tem

ATTEST:

Jennifer Gould, City Clerk