

MINUTES
City Council Meeting
Van Alstyne City Hall
152 N. Main Drive

SEPTEMBER 11, 2018
6:30 P.M.

Members present: Mayor Steve Riley, Ryan Neal, Marla Butler, Robert Jaska, Lee Thomas and Suzon Crowell.

Staff present: Lane Jones, Jennifer Gould, Ryan Dockery and Steve White.

AGENDA

1. Call to Order. *Mayor Riley called the meeting to order at 6:30pm.*
2. Invocation. *Recited by Robert Jaska*
3. Pledges of Allegiance. *US and Texas.*
4. Citizens Communications. *Jim Atchison expressed concern for comments made by a current Planning and Zoning member and the public criticism of the commission adding that such incidents discourage development. Darin Clum clarified refuted comments made at the August 21st meeting alleging that EDC board openings were advertised less than thirty days. Trent Voight expressed concern for his experience at an EDC board meeting.*

PUBLIC HEARINGS

5. Conduct a Public Hearing to hear comments for or against the proposed fiscal year 2018 – 2019 City of Van Alstyne operating budget. *The Public Hearing opened at 6:42pm. There being no public comment, the hearing closed at 6:43pm.*
6. Conduct a Public Hearing to hear comments for or against the proposed 2018 tax rate of \$0.595932 per \$100 of value for the City of Van Alstyne. *The Public Hearing opened at 6:43pm. Jennifer Gould advised that a second public hearing on the tax rate will be held on September 18, 2018 at 6:30pm at City Hall located at 152 N Main Dr and the final vote on the budget and tax rate will take place on September 25, 2018 at 6:30pm at City Hall. There being no further comment, the hearing closed at 6:44pm.*

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.

7. Consider and take any action necessary regarding approval of minutes from the August 21, 2018 work session meeting, zoning board of adjustment meeting and special called meeting.
8. Consider and take any action necessary regarding passage of an ordinance amending the City of Van Alstyne's Code of Ordinances Section 2-183 regarding utility rates and charges.
9. Consider and take any action necessary regarding a resolution authorizing the City Manager to sign an agreement with Texoma Council of Governments (TCOG) for GIS (911) database maintenance and mapping for fiscal year 2019.

10. Consider and take any action necessary regarding authorizing the Mayor to sign an interlocal agreement with Grayson County for Emergency Medical Services for fiscal year 2019.
11. Consider and take any action necessary regarding authorizing the Mayor to sign an interlocal agreement with Grayson County for Fire Protection Services for fiscal year 2019.

Lee Thomas made a motion to approve all items listed on the consent agenda. Suzon Crowell seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously.

REGULAR AGENDA (NON-CONSENT)

12. Consider and take any action necessary regarding an ordinance adopting the fiscal year 2018 – 2019 City of Van Alstyne operating budget. *Robert Jaska made a motion to postpone a vote on the FY2019 operating budget. Lee Thomas seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously.*
13. Consider and take any action necessary regarding the Community Development Capital Improvement Plan as presented by the Community Development Corporation. *Community Development Corporation Executive Director Rodney Williams presented the Capital Improvement Plan detailing prior year funds spent on parks, community projects and community improvements. Mr. Williams also detailed current and future projects. Suzon Crowell asked if the CDC is working to establish standards and requirements for grant recipients to which Mr. Williams answered that some requirements are in place however as interest grows more may be necessary. Mrs. Crowell asked if the return on sales tax can be determined to which Mr. Williams answered that such a calculation can be done by business however it has only been done by region thus far. Discussion was held regarding grant applications and required public hearings moving forward. Ryan Neal made a motion to accept the CDC Capital Improvement Plan. Marla Butler seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously.*
14. Consider and take any action necessary regarding an amendment to the Community Development Corporation's fiscal year 2017 – 2018 budget. *Community Development Corporation Board President Chris Dorak advised that the CDC is requesting a reallocation to move shared use path funds to parks, façade, legal expenses and office supplies. Lee Thomas made a motion to approve the requested amendment to the CDC's fiscal year 2017 – 2018 budget as requested. Ryan Neal seconded the motion and the motion passed with Lee Thomas, Ryan Neal, Marla Butler and Robert Jaska in favor and Suzon Crowell opposed.*
15. Consider and take any action necessary regarding authorizing the City Manager to execute the Fixed Price Funding Agreement with the Texas Department of Transportation (TxDOT) for the expansion of State Highway 5 (Waco St.) from County Road 1106 to County Road 375 (County Line Road). *Len McManus advised of the need. The agreement calls for local participation in widening State Highway 5 covering rights of way and utility relocation. Discussion was held regarding the effects of expansion of State Highway 5 in Van Alstyne. Robert Jaska made a motion to authorize the City Manager to execute the agreement as presented. Suzon Crowell seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously.*
16. Consider and take any action necessary regarding authorizing advertisement for bids for the Shared Use Path from Van Alstyne High School to North Park. *Teddie Ann Salmon expressed concern for where the path will end as it may hamper future development of North Park. Mrs. Salmon suggested making the path similar to a sidewalk and require contribution upon development by developers. Len McManus advised the path will stop at the ISD's admin property line. Although the project has been approved, TxDOT is requiring rebidding. No further expense will be inquired by the city to continue development of this phase of the path. Robert Jaska made a motion to authorize advertisement for bids for the Shared Use Path from Van Alstyne High School to North Park. Ryan Neal seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously.*

17. City Manager's Report. *City Manager Lane Jones provided a report detailing activities during the month of August.*
18. 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, Steve White provided Public Works Department statistics for the prior month and Len McManus provided an update on various projects.*
19. Mayor and Council Closing Comments. *Suzon Crowell commended staff on financials and reports. Lee Thomas asked why the Boy Scouts were in attendance to which the members introduced themselves and advised that attendance is to earn a community badge. Robert Jaska thanked volunteers, small business owners and city staff and advised of various community events. Marla Butler thanked attendees for feedback and Rodney Williams for the presentation. Ryan Neal encouraged participation and attendance at Fall Der All and thanked volunteers.*

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.

20. 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 551.087 [Economic Development Negotiations] regarding the Mantua Development.
- b) Section 551.071 [Consultation with Attorney] regarding financing districts/tools and procedures for conducting City meetings.

City Council recessed into executive session at 7:49pm.

City Council reconvened into open session at 9:49pm.

OPEN MEETING

21. Consider and take any action necessary as a result of executive session. *No action taken.*
22. Adjournment. *Mayor Riley adjourned the meeting at 9:50pm.*

Steve Riley, Mayor

ATTEST:

Jennifer Gould, City Clerk