

CITY OF VAN ALSTYNE

MINUTES

City Council Meeting
Van Alstyne City Hall
152 N Main Drive

October 9, 2018
6:35 P.M.

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

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

AGENDA

1. Call to Order. *Mayor Riley called the meeting to order at 6:37pm.*
2. Citizens Communications. *Barbie Griffin, Vice President of the Van Alstyne Chamber of Commerce thanked the City and employees for their work with Fall der All committees and encouraged attendance. Donna Neill expressed concern for the City Manager after a meeting she had with him, her sister and EDC Executive Director Jodi Carr. Jim DuBois expressed concern for having both an EDC and a CDC as they are two groups doing essentially the same thing. Mr. DuBois questioned the need for a \$30,000 bonus and expressed a need for ordinances and guidelines to be in place to get in front of growth.*

PUBLIC HEARINGS

3. None.

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.

4. Consider and take any action necessary regarding minutes from the September 11, 2018 regular City Council meeting and the September 18, 2018 and September 25, 2018 special called City Council meetings.
5. Consider and take any action necessary regarding authorizing the Mayor to sign a resolution declaring the *Van Alstyne Leader* the official newspaper of record for fiscal year 2019.
6. Consider and take any action necessary regarding approval of a final plat of lots C1 – C8 in The Hills of Lone Star Phase 7C/Northgate being 32.585 acres in the J.W. Haynes Survey, Abstract No. 610, J.L. Terry Survey, Abstract No. 1536, James Hefflefinger Survey, Abstract No. 487 in the City of Van Alstyne, Grayson County, Texas. The subject property is generally located north of CR 179 and west of CR 220.
7. Consider and take any action necessary regarding approval of a final plat of an addition to the City of Van Alstyne, Thomas J. Paxton Survey, Abstract No. 953, Leander Gibson Survey, Abstract No. 454, Grayson County, Texas being Thompson Farms, Phase One. The subject property is generally located at the north west corner of FM 121 west and Jim Jones Road.

Robert Jaska 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)

8. Presentation of Proclamation proclaiming October 7 – 13, 2018 Fire Prevention Week. *Mayor Riley presented the proclamation to Chief Dockery who detailed the department's plan to education children on safety at both of the elementary school campuses, Public Library and childcare facilities.*
9. Consider and take any action necessary regarding passage of a resolution in recognition of Municipal Court Week, November 5 – 9, 2018. *Mayor Riley read a caption of the resolution and expressed support for the Municipal Court. Lee Thomas made a motion to approve the resolution as presented. Robert Jaska seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously.*
10. Consider and take any action necessary: (a) to amend the VAEDC budget for fiscal year ending September 30, 2018 to pay \$30,000 bonus to Executive Director Jodi Carr as directed in letter from Board President Kaaren Teuber, and (b) consider the \$30,000 bonus and provision of Aflac as a benefit in accordance with the *Amended and Restated Agreement for City Employee Services* between the City and VAEDC. *Discussion was held regarding the accuracy of information provided to City Council in the meeting packet as well as a lack of information. Ryan Neal made a motion to deny both requests. Marla Butler seconded the motion. Ryan Neal withdrew his motion. No action taken.*
11. Consider and take action on a resolution to provide the EDC with written notice of a material breach of the November 14, 2017 Employee Services Agreement. *Suzon Crowell made a motion to approve a resolution to provide EDC with written notice of a material breach of the November 14, 2017 Employee Services Agreement and specifically list the breaches. Lee Thomas seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously.*
12. City Manager's Report. *City Manager Lane Jones provided a report detailing activities during the prior month.*
13. 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.*
14. Mayor and Council Closing Comments. *Suzon Crowell, Lee Thomas and Marla Butler thanked the public for their attendance. Robert Jaska thanked Donna Neill for her concerns and thanked small business owners and volunteers. Mr. Jaska also advised of upcoming community events. Ryan Neal thanked the public for attending the meeting as well as small business owners and volunteers. Mayor Riley thanked staff for their hard work.*

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.

15. 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: [Real Property] regarding the sale of property at 242 E. Jefferson St.

- b) Section 551.071: [Consultation with Attorney] on contemplated litigation or on a matter in which the duty of the attorney under the Texas Disciplinary Rules of Professional Conduct of the State Bar of Texas clearly conflicts with the Texas Open Meetings Act regarding: (i) the Mantua Development, (ii) Regular Agenda Items 10, 11 and 17, and (iii) Employment Agreement between the VAEDC and its Executive Director dated September 16, 2018.

City Council recessed into executive session at 7:50pm.

City Council reconvened into open session at 8:37pm.

OPEN MEETING

16. Consider and take any action necessary as a result of each item listed in executive session, including but not limited to, authorizing litigation on any matter discussed in executive session.

15. a) Suzon Crowell made a motion to award the bid for the sale of property at 242 E Jefferson St. to Billy Wayne Turner for \$75,000. Lee Thomas seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously.

15. b) No action taken.

17. Consider and take action on a resolution appointing the current members of City of Van Alstyne City Council as temporary board members of the Van Alstyne Economic Development Corporation for a 60 day period or until board appointments are completed. *Lee Thomas made a motion to appoint Robert Jaska to the VAEDC. Ryan Neal seconded the motion and the motion passed with Lee Thomas, Ryan Neal and Marla Butler in favor, Suzon Crowell opposed and Robert Jaska abstaining. Robert Jaska made a motion to appoint Ryan Neal to the VAEDC. Marla Butler seconded the motion and the motion passed with Robert Jaska, Marla Butler and Lee Thomas in favor, Suzon Crowell opposed and Ryan Neal abstaining. Robert Jaska made a motion to appoint Marla Butler to the VAEDC. Ryan Neal seconded the motion and the motion passed with Robert Jaska, Ryan Neal and Lee Thomas in favor, Suzon Crowell opposed and Marla Butler abstaining. Robert Jaska made a motion to appoint Steve Riley to the VAEDC. Ryan Neal seconded the motion and the motion passed with Robert Jaska, Ryan Neal, Marla Butler and Lee Thomas in favor and Suzon Crowell opposed.*

18. Adjournment. *Mayor Riley adjourned the meeting at 8:41pm.*

Steve Riley, Mayor

ATTEST:

Jennifer Gould, City Clerk