# CITY OF VAN ALSTYNE

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

# November 13, 2018 6:35 P.M.

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

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

# **AGENDA**

- 1. Call to Order. Mayor Riley called the meeting to order at 6:39pm.
- 2. Citizens Communications. None.
- 3. Pinning of newly appointed Fire Chief Ryan Dockery. *Mayor Riley introduced Chief Dockery whose family pinned him with five bugles crossed.*

#### PUBLIC HEARINGS

4. 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.

- 5. Consider and take any action necessary regarding minutes from the October 9, 2018 regular City Council meeting.
- 6. Consider and take any action necessary regarding funding of a 10% cost share, up to \$20,000.00, for a grant award from the Texas Forestry Service for a large brush truck not to exceed \$200,000.00.

Robert Jaska made a motion to approve items listed on the consent agenda. Marla Butler seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously.

# REGULAR AGENDA (NON-CONSENT)

- 7. Consider and take any action necessary regarding appointments to serve on the Community Development Corporation Board of Directors Place 5, Place 6 and Place 7. Marla Butler made a motion to appoint Chris Dorak, Alesha Crowell and Robert Jaska to the CDC Board of Directors. Ryan Neal seconded the motion and the motion passed with Marla Butler, Ryan Neal and Suzon Crowell in favor and Robert Jaska abstaining.
- 8. Consider and take any action necessary regarding appointments to fill five open positions on the Economic Development Corporation Board of Directors. Suzon Crowell expressed concern for appointing Laura Cooper understanding that she was removed from the Keep Van Alstyne Beautiful Board for a violation. Robert Jaska clarified that Mrs. Cooper was not removed from the Board.

Ryan Neal made a motion to appoint Trent Voigt, Brad Clough, Laura Cooper, Keith Arsenault and Mark Moss to the EDC Board. Marla Butler seconded the motion and the motion passed with Ryan Neal, Marla Butler and Robert Jaska in favor and Suzon Crowell opposed.

- 9. Consider and take any action necessary regarding appointments to fill three open positions on the Library Board. Ryan Neal made a motion to appoint Emily Kendrick, Sarah Macias and Torry Stricklin-Morrison to the Library Board. Marla Butler seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously.
- 10. Consider and take any action necessary regarding appointments to fill three open positions on the Parks and Recreation Board. Ryan Neal made a motion to appoint Katrina Arsenault, Maria Hickson-Grimmett and Hank Wilson to the Parks and Recreation Board. Marla Butler seconded the motion. Suzon Crowell expressed concern for the lack of consideration given to the board's recommendation. The motion passed with Ryan Neal, Marla Butler, Robert Jaska and Lee Thomas in favor and Suzon Crowell opposed.
- 11. Consider and take any action necessary regarding appointments to serve on the Planning and Zoning Commission Place 2, Place 4 and Alternate Place 2. Robert Jaska made a motion to appoint Gary McDonald, John Spies and Larry Cooper to the Planning and Zoning Commission. Marla Butler seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously.
- 12. Consider and take any action necessary regarding approval to fund the site improvement of a pedestrian bridge at Forrest Moore Park in the amount of \$12,102.35. CDC Executive Director Rodney Williams presented the request and detailed the need. Ryan Neal made a motion to approve funding of the site improvement of a pedestrian bridge at Forrest Moore Park in the amount of \$12,102.35. Marla Butler seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously.
- 13. City Manager's Report. City Manager Lane Jones provided a report detailing activities during the prior month and advised of a significant wastewater treatment plant failure.
- 14. Mayor and Council Closing Comments. Ryan Neal congratulated newly appointed board members and expressed gratitude for their willingness to serve. Marla Butler thanked all board applicants and encouraged participation. Robert Jaska thanked small business owners, volunteers and staff. Mayor Riley expressed gratitude for participation and volunteerism. Suzon Crowell thanked those in attendance for their patience as she skyped in to the meeting.

#### **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 551.071: [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) Trussel tract development, (iii) CCN service areas, and (iv) any and all items listed on the agenda for open session.

Council recessed into executive session at 7:19pm. Council reconvened into open session at 8:55pm.

# **OPEN MEETING**

- 16. Consider and take any action necessary as a result of each item listed in executive session. Suzon Crowell was no longer in attendance. Marla Butler made a motion to have the City Manager hire an appraiser for CCNs. Ryan Neal seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously. Marla Butler made a motion to have the City Manager develop policies on the city's stance on ETJ development. Robert Jaska seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously.
- Steve Riley, Mayor

  ATTEST:

  Jennifer Gould, City Clerk

17. Adjournment. Mayor Riley adjourned the meeting at 8:56pm.