

## CITY OF VAN ALSTYNE

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

**February 9, 2021  
6:35 P.M.**

Members present: Mayor Jim Atchison, Ryan Neal, Marla Butler, Bruce Dawsey, Lee Thomas and Katrina Arsenault.

Staff present: Lane Jones, Jennifer Gould, Robert Jaska, David Ritter, Tim Barnes, Brooks Wilson and Michael Hansen.

#### AGENDA

1. Call to Order. *Mayor Atchison called the meeting to order at 6:37pm.*
2. Citizens Communications. *None.*
3. Presentation of Police Department Officer of the Year and Communications Employee of the Year for 2020 and years of service recognition. *Chief Barnes presented the 2020 Officer of the Year award to Jeremiah Bigler and the 2020 Communications Employee of the Year award to Shannon Haines. Chief Barnes also presented Mrs. Haines with a plaque in recognition of five years of service.*
4. Presentation by the Chief of Police regarding the 2020 Racial Profiling Report. *Chief Barnes presented the annual Racial Profiling Report. No action taken.*

#### PUBLIC HEARINGS

5. Conduct a Public Hearing regarding an ordinance amending Ordinance No. 752, Chapter 38, "Subdivision and Land Development," Sections 38.37 through 38-232 regarding changing the authority to approve and disapprove plats from the City Council to the Planning & Zoning Commission, and to correct minor scrivener errors within these Sections. *The Public Hearing opened at 6:41pm. Mayor Atchison briefly described the proposed changes and made three calls for comments. There being none the hearing closed at 6:42pm.*

#### 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. Approval of minutes from the January 12, 2021 regular City Council meeting.
7. Reschedule regular meeting in March from March 9, 2021 to March 16, 2021 so as not to impede upon school closings for spring break.
8. Authorize advertisement for bids for the Marshall Drive Paving and Utilities Improvements along Marshall Drive from Hopson St. to Henry Hynds Expy.
10. Approval of a Final Plat for the Oakbrook residential subdivision, situated in the James McKinney Survey, Abstract No. 770 and the W.W.M. Blundell Survey, Abstract No. 115, City of Van Alstyne,

Grayson County, Texas. The subject property consists of 32.405 acres located east of US Highway 75 (Henry Hynds Expressway), south of W. Jefferson Street, and west of Kelly Lane.

11. Approval of a revised Site Plan for United Ag and Turf located at 875 S. Henry Hynds Expressway.
12. Acceptance of a petition for annexation, and passage of a resolution setting a public hearing for March 16, 2021 at 6:30pm at Van Alstyne City Hall on the proposed annexation of certain property by the City of Van Alstyne, Texas being a tract of land within the extraterritorial jurisdiction (ETJ) of the City of Van Alstyne, Grayson County, Texas, being an approximately 32.4 acre tract of land situated in the James McKinney Survey, Abstract No. 770 and the Charles A. Fox Survey, Abstract No. 413, Grayson County, Texas; authorizing and directing the City Planner to publish notice of public hearing; and directing the preparation of a service plan. The subject property is generally located on the north side of East FM 121 (E. Jefferson Street) and approximately 900 feet east of N. Lincoln Park Road, and the right-of-way adjacent to this property. (Fourrier Tract Annexation)
13. Acceptance of a petition for annexation, and passage of a resolution setting a public hearing for March 16, 2021 at 6:30 p.m. at Van Alstyne City Hall on the proposed annexation of certain property by the City of Van Alstyne, Texas being a tract of land within the extraterritorial jurisdiction (ETJ) of the City of Van Alstyne, Grayson County, Texas, being an approximately 10.047-acre tract of land situated in the James McKinney Survey, Abstract No. 770, City of Van Alstyne, Grayson County, Texas, as conveyed by Warranty Deed recorded in Volume 5730, Page 539 of the Real Property Records of Grayson County, Texas; authorizing and directing the City Planner to publish notice of public hearing; and directing the preparation of a service plan. The subject property is generally located approximately 1,400 feet south of FM 121 (Jefferson Street) and approximately 1,500 feet east of Ballpark Way. (Harrell Tract Annexation)

*Lee Thomas made a motion to approve items 6 – 8 and 10-13 listed on the consent agenda. Bruce Dawsey seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously.*

#### REGULAR AGENDA (NON-CONSENT)

9. Passage of an ordinance adopting the 2015 ICC International Property Maintenance Code and a local ordinance as well as amending Code of Ordinances Chapter 26, Section 18 prohibiting open storage or display in residential areas, Chapter 24, Section 33 adding regulations for yard waste, brush, tree limbs and grass cuttings and Chapter 36, Section 28 to reduce time given to comply with the City's addressing system. *Discussion was held regarding various proposed and existing sections of the code concerning fence requirements, tall grass and solid waste requirements. Lee Thomas made a motion to approve the ordinance as presented. Bruce Dawsey seconded the motion. Marla Butler made a motion to amend Mr. Thomas's motion by striking the words "cooking grills" from section 4(d) of the proposed ordinance. That amending motion died for lack of a second. Mr. Thomas's motion passed with Lee Thomas, Bruce Dawsey, Ryan Neal and Katrina Arsenault in favor and Marla Butler opposed.*
14. Consider and take any action necessary regarding extension of application period for open board seat to the Van Alstyne Community and Economic Development Corporations Boards of Directors. *Marla Butler suggested adding an official city Facebook page or other social media to expand communications. Marla Butler made a motion to approve the extension of the application period. Bruce Dawsey seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously.*
15. Consider and take any action necessary regarding passage of a resolution amending the Van Alstyne Economic Development Corporation's FY 2020 – 2021 fiscal year budget. *VAEDC Executive Director Rodney Williams detailed the proposed amendment adding expenses associated with expansion of the Industrial Park. Funds are available and will be paid from bond proceeds. Katrina Arsenault made a motion to approve the resolution amending the VAEDC budget. Lee Thomas seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously.*

16. Consider and take any action necessary regarding passage of a resolution continuing Resolution No. 01-2021-03 and the Mayoral Declaration of a local state of disaster due to a public health emergency in response to the COVID-19 virus outbreak. *Bruce Dawsey made a motion to approve a resolution continuing the disaster declaration. Katrina Arsenault seconded the motion and the motion passed with Bruce Dawsey, Katrina Arsenault, Ryan Neal and Lee Thomas in favor and Marla Butler opposed.*
17. Consider and take any action necessary regarding an ordinance amending Ordinance No. 752, Chapter 38, "Subdivision and Land Development," Sections 38.37 through 38-232 regarding changing the authority to approve and disapprove plats from the City Council to the Planning & Zoning Commission, and to correct minor scrivener errors within these Sections. *Brooks Wilson detailed the proposed changes adding that this will streamline and simplify development. Bruce Dawsey made a motion to approve the ordinance as presented. Ryan Neal seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously.*
18. City Manager's Report. *Lane Jones detailed activities for the prior month.*
19. Mayor and Council Closing Comments. *Mayor Atchison and City Council members thanked staff and the public for attendance. Ryan Neal recognized long time citizen Rick Young who recently passed.*
20. Adjournment. *Ryan Neal made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 7:51pm. Katrina Arsenault seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously.*

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Jim Atchison, Mayor

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Jennifer Gould, City Clerk