

**City of Vale**  
**City Council Minutes**  
**February 28<sup>th</sup>, 2017**

**I. Call to Order** Meeting called to order at 7:00 PM by Mayor McLaughlin.

Councilors: Cw Jacobs, Cm Whitaker, Cm Bixby, Cw Zanotelli, City Attorney Sullivan and CM Findley were present.

**II Pledge of Allegiance** was led by Mayor McLaughlin

**III Corrections or Additions to the Agenda**

Mayor McLaughlin inquired about corrections or additions to the Agenda, CM Findley added New Business item number four Street Sweeper and item number five Surplus Command Vehicle. **Cw Zanotelli motioned to accept the agenda as amended. Cm Bixby seconded the motion.**

**IV Approval of Minutes of February 14th, 2017.**

**Cw Jacobs motioned to approve the Minutes of February 14th, 2017 as written. Cw Zanotelli seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously by the Council.**

**V. Payment of bills.** Check run Check #49065 through #49081 Total \$28,670.33 and second check run for \$980.00. ACH Payment of \$13,242.47 Grant Total \$42,892.80. **Cm Bixby motioned to pay the bills in the amount of \$42,892.80 with Cm Whitaker seconding the motion**

**VI Reports & Council Action on Reports.**

A. City Manager Report- Submitted by Lynn Findley

1. OPRD Grant Cycle is now open for Large and Small Grants.
2. Geothermal Water Right application has been acted on by ORWD, Mike Holliday is helping with our application that he originally submitted in 1999, it appears we are on track to complete the application and our priority date is secure.
3. The ceiling at the Airport Hanger has started to fall due to weather conditions. The FBO has moved his aircraft away. The airport Committee will need to meet and discuss remedies.
4. Steak and Crab Feed hosted by the Fire and Ambulance departments will be held on April 1. Tickets are available at City Hall and the Fire and Ambulance Department
5. FEMA Preliminary Damage Assessment .Summary completed with intake meeting scheduled for Tuesday February 28
6. JR Lattin is our for an extended period due to a medical issue. Chad Cooper is filling in for him.
7. Snow Emergency Ordinance, possible areas: Inoperable vehicles and trailers, Unlicensed vehicles and trailers, Declaration of Snow Emergency, Piling of Snow within a City Of Way

8. Town Hall Meeting concerning TVCC Hosted by Malheur Enterprise is scheduled for March 16 at 6:00 PM
9. Greg Walden Hosted a town hall meeting in Ontario Tuesday Feb 21.
  - B. Public Works- meeting was held with Cm Whitaker reporting- one topic discussed was bids for Rhinehart will be opening March 20<sup>th</sup>. Hope to have bids ready to submit to Council on May 9<sup>th</sup> · Meters were not able to be read again for February due to Snow. Sandbags are still available at City Shop on Lagoon Drive.
  - C. Airport Committee- no meeting was held
  - D. Parks & Recreation- no meeting was held.
  - E. EMS Committee- no meeting was held.
  - F. Library Board –meeting was held with CM Findley reporting- discussed probable replacement for Kay McPheeters who has asked to be replaced. Also discussed possible changes to policy of use of conference room, there have been issues of colored punches an staining the new carpet. The other topic was preparation for budget.

## **VII Public Comments/Presentations**

### **VIII Old Business**

Water System Improvement Update- OHA has approved our plans and the Environmental Review is in the paper and the 15 day public comment period is open. Bids will open March 20<sup>th</sup>, with April 21 closing date. ODOT and Anderson Perry will be here to review requirements for going across the A and Washington. A notice to proceed will be issued for the Rhinehart Transmission Line hopefully by March 20<sup>th</sup> if it is dry enough to proceed.

Golden Slipper – Notice of Nuisance issued. we are seeking help from FEMA for possible funding to help clear up as it is a public safety hazard.

### **IX New Business**

1. Budget Schedule- We will be working on budget preparation March and April. Budget committee meeting will be Monday May 15<sup>th</sup>, 2017, with a backup day May 18<sup>th</sup>. On the 13<sup>th</sup> of June will be Public Hearing before Council.
2. Barkley Drive Deterioration- City Code 7.1.4 (B) (5) Restriction of the use of certain streets by any class of kind of vehicle- The road has deteriorated significantly with the use of Sugar Beet Trucks, that road cannot support the weight of 105,000 pound trucks when it is not frozen. CM Findley asked Almagated Sugar to switch the route to the regular truck route. Almagated Sugar was very receptive to the damage done.
3. Draft Personnel Manual new draft sent to CIS- Changes include Sick Leave act Family Act harassment have been updated to be in accordance with CIS regulations. A bullying complaint procedure has been added. The two other changes are the vacation policy for new employees to reflect union contract. There is some more changes with recommendations from the Council, it will be formalized at the next Council Meeting.
4. Street Sweeper- estimates of repair totaled \$21,200.00, CM Findley called and spoke with the company about what needs to be done. Another option would be to do the Factory Rebuild Program which would give us 10% off of parts and extends the warranty up to 1 year, basically it would bring the Sweeper back to rebuilt condition, this would extend the life approximately 5-7 years. The cost of the Factory Rebuild is \$19,228.62. A new sweeper is around \$175,000.00. ***Cm Bixby motioned to enroll the Street Sweeper into the Factory Rebuild program for \$19,228.62. Cw Jacobs seconded the motion.***

5. Surplus Command Vehicle- The wrecked Ford Command Vehicle is just sitting at the City Shop, CM Findley recommended that we surplus the vehicle in order to be able to get rid of it, possibly by trade for the use of a CAT to help with the snow at the rodeo grounds. ***Cm Bixby motioned to declare the Ford Command Vehicle a Surplus Vehicle, Cw Zantelli seconded the motion.***

**X Other Matters**

**XI Executive Session ...No...Pursuant to ORS 192.660 (2) ()**

**XII Adjourn to Tuesday March 14th, 2017 Council at 7:00PM**

***Cm Whitaker motioned to adjourn Tuesday March 14th, 2017 at 7:00 PM with Cm Bixby seconding the motion.***

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Mayor McLaughlin