

City of Vale
City Council Minutes
July 9th, 2019

- I. Call to Order Meeting called to order at 7:00 PM by Mayor McLaughlin
Councilors: Cm Williams, Cm Bixby, Cw Bennett, Cw Phillips, Cm Ault and City Attorney Sullivan 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 Williams *motioned to accept the agenda as written. Cw Bennett seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.*
- IV. Approval of Minutes of June 25th, 2019
Cm Bixby motioned to approve the Minutes of June 25th, 2019 as written Cm Ault seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously by the Council.
- V. Payment of Bills:
Cw Phillips motioned to pay the bills in the amount of \$71,731.93 - \$2036.12 with Cw Bennett seconding the motion. The motion passed unanimously.
- VI. Reports & Council Action on Reports.
City Manager Report
1. Street Chip Project paid \$16,950.00 cost of \$15,498.22 leaves a credit of \$1,451.78 chips \$4,000.00 total cost is \$19,498.20 - approved 20,950.00
2. Property owned by Rex Martin front standing is there anything we can do with it?
City is spraying weeds currently, could bill the owner for it but we won't receive a payment. The building needs to be stabilized. It could be declared as a nuisance, City will have to pay the cost to have it knocked down or have a foreclosure on the property. CM Lamb will investigate if the property is county owned or not.
3. Helicopter
During the week of the forth Levi Gilman operated helicopter rides. It seemed to be a great success, but the City, Sheriffs, nor Ambulance were notified. There is an ordinance in city code, should he decide to do it again CM Lamb will contact him and ask he come to the city to obtain the appropriate permit.
4. Todd ambulance department GEMT and Staffing
Todd is gathering the rest of the information and should be in soon to provide an update. As of now there is no billing employee at the Ambulance. City is looking into absorbing that job.
5. CIS Closing Reports
The 3 claims are now closed. American Legion resulted in \$8010.55, Jay Cox resulted in \$2825.73, Joyce Castleberry resulted in \$81,831.67. Hancock's will need to be cleaned out once a month at as it is believed that is where the issue started. Cottonwood lift station had a blinking light late one night that Jack M. happened to drive by and see, but again no alarm was raised. SIMTEC is not getting back to the City with answers, the City is currently working with ACS and will be meeting on Thursday to discuss the alarms.
6. Insurance on Senior Center
There is no legal way to separate the senior center building from the land it resides on. Legally the city had to provide insurance to the property as no one can "own" the building without owning the land.
- VII. Reports & Council Action on Reports.
A. Airport Committee- *No meeting was held.*
B. Public works- *Cm Ault reports discussion on safe routes to school the agreement has been signed, closing reports for houses that were backed up, chip sealing cost and remaining credit.*
C. Parks & Recreation - *No meeting was held.*
D. EMS - *No meeting was held*
E. Beautification Grant- *No new applications.*

F. Library —. *No meeting was held.*

VIII. Public Comment/Presentation

House on Lytle and B St with cars on the side. The City is working with him with protocol with the sheriff department. Across the LDS Church there is MB&L that is full of “junk” the City did deal with him near 5 years ago but during that time the “junk” has compiled again. The city will approach him again to get it cleaned up or a fence around property to keep children out and so its not an eye sore to the public.

IX. Old Business

1. School Water Line Update

Will be discussed in Executive Session.

2. Senior Center Agreement

Mayor McLaughlin opens the discussion stating the two options that are under consideration. 1). Deed over the property to the seniors, or 2). 99-year lease. Cm Bixby states that seniors have been doing all the work thus far, the city should deed over the property. Cw Bennett reminds council the discussion of concern during the last two meetings have been about whether the seniors would keep the facility open to public of all ages. On behalf of the seniors Kim Recla assures the council that it has never been the intention of the seniors to not allow the public, of all ages, into the facility, despite previous comments on children running amuck in the facility. Larry Sullivan states that an agreement may be wrote up providing council stipulations and should the facility no longer be available to community use the deed will revert back to the City. The council consented to Deed over the property to the seniors with stipulations that it remains available to the community to lease for events. The Seniors will have control over the facility and those that may utilize it. Larry Sullivan will write up an agreement to distribute among the seniors and council at the next council meeting a final draft will be presented and a final motion made for the property to be deeded over to the seniors.

3. Sherriff's Contract

CM Lamb addresses the concerns from the previous meeting on backfilling and overtime. Should an employee quit the department will fill that position and not leave Vale with only one or no deputy. The figure given for overtime, provided by the sheriff's department is a worst-case scenario. The City only pays the exact cost of the deputies and not a contract price. The amount paid has never equaled the highest provided amount. The contract will continue until 2020 during this time The City has 2 deputies as of July 1, 2019.

X. New Business

1. Bob Bement Airport resignation

After 30 years of being the Airport Manager Mr. Bement has sent in his letter of resignation. Council would like to recognize his time served. CM Lamb will purchase a gift for Mr. Bement, and he will be allowed to store his plane in the hanger so long as he obtains his pilot license. Cw Phillips will make arrangements at Bixby's Stop it off to have a “get together” to recognize him, Cake will be provided. Mr. Bixby has volunteered to take over the airport manager position, he is already on the airport committee and has a strong passion for the facility. *Cm Bixby motioned to have a gift purchased for Mr. Bement and allow him to store his aircraft in the hanger so long as he obtains he piolet license, with Cw Phillips seconding the motion. The motion passed unanimously.*

Cw Bennett motioned for Mr. Bixby to fill the volunteer position as Airport Manager, with Cm Ault seconding the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

2. Resolution 19-08

Cw Phillips motioned to accept Resolution 19-08 A resolution adopting the City of Vale's representation in the updates to the Malheur Cuntly Multi-Jurisdictional Natural Hazards Mitigation Plan, with Cm Bixby seconding the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

XI. Other Matters

XII. Executive Session; YES; Pursuant to ORS 192.660 (2) (h)

XIII. Adjourn to Tuesday July 23th, 2019 Council at 7:00PM

Cm Ault motioned to adjourn Tuesday July 9th, 2019 at 7:00 PM with Cm Williams seconding the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Mike McLaughlin", written over a horizontal line.

Mayor McLaughlin