

VALE CITY COUNCIL
MEETING MINUTES
Date 01/11/2022 7:00 PM - CITY HALL

1. Meeting called to order by Mayor Vialpando, roll call reported.

Mayor Tom Vialpando	Council President Keller
Council Member Phillips	Council Member Peasley
Council Member Janeille Bennett	City Manager Todd Fuller
City Attorney Michael Horton	City Recorder Marea Hartwell

2. Pledge of Allegiance by Mayor Vialpando

3. For Possible Action: Review and Approval of Agenda

Mayor Vialpando inquired about any additions or changes to the agenda. *Council President Keller motioned to accept the agenda as written. Council Member Phillips seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.*

4. For Possible Action: Approval of the Minutes from December 14th, 2021.

Council President Keller motioned to approve the minutes of December 14, 2021, as written. Council Member Peasley seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

5. For Possible Action: Review and Approve Bills previously Submitted for Payment.

First Check Run \$1,200 Second Check Run \$1,143.01 Third Check Run \$217,626.53 ACH \$15,895.81 Second ACH\$26,122.07

Visa Payment \$2,578.83

Grand Total - \$264,566.25

Council President Keller motioned to approve to pay the bills in the amount of \$264,566.25. Council Member Bennett seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

6. Department Reports and City Manager Report, Council Comments- No action will be taken.

City Manager Report

Beautification Grants

Committees: Airport; Parks; EMS; Library; Public Works/Streets

EMS- No meeting was held but Council Member Peasley reported on call report from Chief Tolman. For the 2021-year end totals there was 563 Ambulance Calls, 49 Rural Fire Calls and 563 ambulance 49 rural fire 90 runs 699 calls total. December totals were 16 ambulance, 1 rural and 1 city fire.

Parks and Rec- meeting was held with Council Member Phillips reporting- The committee discussed coverings /picnic areas at Cottonwood Park. There was mainly just a bunch of discussion about different ideas for the parks, how do we get more money, etc. Also discussed was some new software we are considering for the pool to be able to track passes electronically.

Airport- meeting was held with Council Member Bennett reporting- There has been no update from EPA and other organizations on the Beck/Esplin investigation. Public works crew was hoping to get some sage brush cleared for the area where the hangers will eventually go but

the weather did not cooperate. There has been some work done in the pilot's lounge in hopes to get it updated so people can use it.

Library- meeting was held with Council President Keller reporting- The main discussion was the candidates for the new librarian and a new board member. They discussed possibly having some board members be volunteers to help in the library. Also discussed was renting out the conference room for a fee instead of free, also including a refundable cleaning deposit for \$25.00.

Public Works-meeting was held with City Manager Fuller reporting- The first topic was that the Safe Routes to school project is complete. The ADA Ramps on A Street and Washington Street are complete. There was some discussion on the wastewater system backing up. There is one annexation request that is in the works.

7. Public Participation/Comments:

8. For Discussion and Possible Action: Old Business

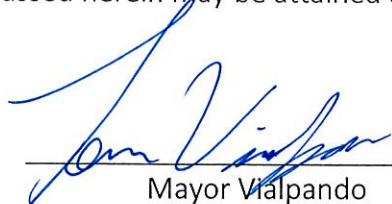
9. For Discussion and Possible Action: New Business

- a. Community in Action presentation- Kathy Markee with Community in Action presented to Council about applying for a CBDG Grant through Business Oregon. This would be for Residential Housing Rehabilitation in Vale. Vale has had this grant before in 2012-2014. The previous Rehabilitation program was loaning the money, the new improved is granting people the money for home repairs done without a lien or payback requirements. Community in Action would do all of the legwork but the City would be the one actually applying for the grant. This is a \$400,000.00 grant, whichever City is the lead City will get priority, if there is left over money it could go to be used in neighboring Cities. This could help with handicap railing, ramps, sidewalks, electrical or plumbing issues, etc. After some discussion the City Council consented to move forward with Community in Action to apply for the CBDG Grant.
- b. Drinking Water Distribution Improvement Quote – We have some potential growth happening on the west side of town where the water supply is not as efficient as it could be. Anderson Perry said they could do a mock model and take the data to see what we would need to move forward to better serve that area of town.
- c. Resolution 22-01 for Personal Services Contract-Mayor Vialpando read the Council Resolution 22-01 a Resolution adopting Rules for Personal Services Contracts. ***Council President Keller motioned to accept Resolution 22-01 A Resolution adopting Rules for Personal Services Contracts. Council Member Bennett Seconded the motion. The motion was passed unanimously.***
- d. Appoint new Head Librarian- City Manager Fuller reported to Council that the City had interviewed two applicants for head librarian. After some discussion one of the applicants stood out a little more than the other. After some discussion the consensus of the Council was to move forward with City Manager Fuller's recommendation of hiring Yvonne Tolman as the new head librarian.
- e. Appoint new library board member- The City Received a letter of interest for an open library board position. Markie Murray had wrote a letter to the council expression

interest in the position. City Manager Fuller read the letter. Mayor Vialpando appointed Markie Murray to the Library Board.

- f. Water rate increase change for Council and Employees- Council had previously approved the base rate of \$101.64 be paid for by the City for full time employees and City Council Members. The new water base rate is effective January 1, which will raise the base rate to \$105.63. ***Council Member Phillips motioned to accept the price increase for Council and Employees from \$101.64 to \$105.63. Council Member Peasley seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.***
 - g. Vale Electric Bill- \$1,551- Vale Electric had fixed some lights at the swimming pool. City Manager Fuller had asked for a bid, but they ended up doing the work beforehand. ***Council Member Bennett motioned to approve the bill from Vale Electric in the amount of \$1,551.28 for installation of lights at the pool. Council Member Phillips seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.***
 - h. Anderson Perry Bill- This bill is for \$2,000.00 for Design Engineering on the Wastewater Headworks Project. ***Council President Keller motioned to pay Anderson Perry in the amount of \$2,000.00. Council Member Bennett seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.***
10. For Discussion Only: Other Matters
- a. League of Oregon Cities Regional Meeting -
 - i. January 20, 2022, from 11 am to 1 pm Mountain Time at the Vale Senior Center
 - ii. Vale Senior Center
 - b. Oregon Mayors Association – Scholarship “If I were mayor” is a contest that the City Council approved to move forward with. The winner will go to the state level and if they win, they will win a trip for them and their parents to the state conference. There are age levels to compete in- elementary, middle, high school.
 - c. December 2021 Financials- Everything is looking good and in the black.
11. Executive Session; NO: ORS 192.660 (2) (a)
13. For Possible Action: Adjourn meeting to Tuesday January 11, 2022, at 7:00 PM.
*Council Member Peasley motioned to adjourn the meeting to January 25, 2022, at 7:00 PM.
Council Member Bennett seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.*

Copies of all documents discussed herein may be attained at City Hall, 150 LONGFELLOW STREET N., VALE, OREGON 97918



Mayor Vialpando