



MINUTES City of Pleasant Valley

**Tuesday, March 16, 2021
COUNCIL MEETING**

Agenda

- Opening Remarks
- Pledge of Allegiance
- Call to Order/Roll Call
- Review/Approval of Previous Meeting Minutes
- Review/Approval of Current Financial Report
- Sharing of VVFD Report

Hotel/Motel Contributions – Funding Requests

- Funding Requests

City Business Review

- American Rescue Plan Funding
- Drainage and Road Work Updates
- Recreational Complex Updates
- Roundtable Council Member Updates
- Key News - Announcements/Plans & Planning/Upcoming Events/Initiatives
 - City Sponsored Easter Egg Hunt
 - City-wide Spring Clean-up Planning
 - Earth Day Planning
 - New Office Assistant
 - Volunteer Opportunities

Closing Items

- Council updates
- Citizen comments, questions, concerns
- Other business
- Adjournment (motion)

MARCH 16, 2021 - COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES

OPENING REMARKS: Mayor Emily Haddix welcomed Council and community to the City of Pleasant Valley Council Meeting.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE: Led by Council.

CALL TO ORDER/ROLL CALL: At 7:05 p.m., Mayor Haddix announced the feed to Facebook is running live at <https://www.facebook.com/cityofpv> and called the meeting to order. Council present - Ed Aberegg; Emily Haddix; Erin Henderson; Chuck Ledsome; Chip Phillips; Gary Timms; and Mike Walls. City Attorney, John

Funkhouser and City Clerk, Sherry Roof was present. Absent: VVFD Rep; Code Enforcement Officer, John Miller. Community Attendance: None.

REVIEW AND APPROVAL OF PREVIOUS MEETING MINUTES: Mayor Haddix presented a draft of the minutes from our February 16, 2021, Council Meeting and asked for a review by all and comments, if any.

Mayor Haddix requested motion to approve the minutes as drafted.

- ***Mike Walls made a motion to approve the February 2021 Council meeting minutes with this additional information; Chuck Ledsome seconded; all approved.***

REVIEW AND APPROVAL OF CURRENT FINANCIAL REPORT: The February 2021, City of Pleasant Valley Financial Report and Statement of Cash Receipts and Disbursements as prepared and presented by Certified Public Accountant H. Allen Farcin was shared by Mayor Haddix to be reviewed by all.

- ***Ed Aberegg made motion to approve as prepared; Erin Henderson seconded; all approved.***

REVIEW OF VVFD (VALLEY VOLUNTEER FIRE DEPARTMENT) REPORT: Absent/A partial report was forwarded via email.

HOTEL/MOTEL CONTRIBUTIONS – FUNDING REQUESTS: The updated Funding Request Form was reviewed, and a summary discussion of the current guidelines ensued. Council noted that the 2021 Boys State event has been canceled and the related funding request has been withdrawn. Council moved to address two still pending requests, 1) 2021 Three Rivers Festival and 2) Woman’s Club of Fairmont.

- ***Chuck Ledsome made motion to grant \$1,000 towards the 2021 Three Rivers Festival event; Mike Walls seconded; all approved.***
- ***Erin Henderson made motion to approve the Fairmont Women’s Club request for \$1,000 towards their Blessings From the Basement Project, and Chuck Ledsome seconded. Upon further Council discussion, the motion was withdrawn. After additional discussion, a new motion was made by Mike Walls and seconded by Ed Aberegg resulting in a Council vote to approve, with one Councilperson (Chip Phillips) obtaining, for a total funding support of \$2,000 in two separate checks - \$1,000 going towards the Blessings From the Basement Project and another \$1,000 towards their general sustainability.***

CITY BUSINESS REVIEW:

- American Rescue Plan Funding – Mayor Haddix announced that 1.3 million in federal stimulus funding will be awarded to the City of Pleasant Valley, with the initial thoughts and planning are to apply these funds as quickly as possible straight back into the city’s infrastructure, that being to continue focusing on improvements our water drainage and general roadwork.
- Drainage and Road Work Updates – Council Ed Aberegg reported repairs to Nicki Street are complete. Council Chuck Ledsome reported repairs to Serene Drive area are also complete. A citizen’s request to address some issues in the Dunn Avenue area were addressed, along with some additional drainage issues in the Benton’s Ferry area. Council Mike Walls reported they are working on repairing some sewer pipe needs near the Brick Hill area in Millersville. Council Chip Phillips reported working with the State to do some paving on some main as well as various side roads.
- Recreational Complex Updates – The new basketball court will be expanded by an additional three feet on both ends. Two sets of new fan bleachers will be delivered and put together for viewers to the main (upper) ballfield area; old bleachers will be removed and disposed.

- Roundtable Council Member Updates – Mayor Haddix gave an update to a number of ‘in progress’6 as well as new initiatives. She spoke about eleven still pending grand applications made specific to park improvements. Mayor Haddix updated council and citizens on the status of the DuraEdge artificial turf for the ball diamond of the upper field and reiterated that we are also still pending work to re-grade and upgrade the lower field area, which will include a new waterline to be able to maintain the field surface during times of drought. The city is working to produce some aerial photography of the City Municipal Park grounds. The city is also still working to upgrade the metal fencing around the ballpark area, especially near the backstop. Finally, the city is working to get ideas and bids to replace the large city owned storage shed near the upper ballfield.
- Key News - Announcements/Plans & Planning/Upcoming Events/Initiatives
 - City Sponsored Easter Egg Hunt – A city sponsored Easter Egg Hunt for all ages is planned for Saturday, March 27 12 – 2 pm, to include an appearance by the Easter Bunny and to which individual as well as citizen and school group volunteers will be helping to prepare.
 - City-wide Spring Clean-up Planning – The Spring 2021 Spring Clean-up Event will be split into two different days to better accommodate the large volume we anticipate. The pickup for the Benton’s Ferry and Kingmont communities will be on Saturday, April 10; Pleasant Valley and Millersville communities will have pickup on the following Saturday, April 17. Citizens should have everything curbside by mid-night on the Friday before that they wish to be picked up. Smallwood Sanitation will once again be performing the services. In conjunction with this city-wide cleanup, we have also contracted with Conner’s Trucking to so a special “Free” Tire Disposal Day. This event will be on Saturday, April 10 right here at the City Hall municipal building, 2340 Kingmont Rd, 9 am-noon. Note: This free one-day tire disposal event is for city residents only. Citizens should expect to show an ID with their current address.
 - Earth Day Planning – Mayor Haddix is working to coordinate various groups of volunteers to assist in making a difference to our community in observance of 2021 Earth Day. Mayor Haddix also proposed putting together a special children’s event to decorate rocks and place them around the City Hall grounds for all to enjoy.
 - Office Assistant – Carol Christ has been selected as the new Administrative Assistant starting April 5.
 - Volunteer Opportunities – Mayor Haddix reminded citizens that we are always interested in finding volunteers and developing groups of volunteers for various reasons and events on behalf of our city and anyone interested in volunteering their services should feel free to contact City Hall at 304-363-2400 or better yet, send an email with your ideas to: cityofpleasantvalley.com.

CLOSING ITEMS:

- Council updates - Council Erin Henderson wished to thank those responsible, especially Council Chip Phillips, for the initiative in making the needed quick fixes to significant pothole issues on Kingmont Road.
- Citizen Comments, Questions, Concerns - None heard.
- Other Business - None.
- Adjournment - At 8:30 pm, Mayor Haddix called for motion to adjourn and for all who approved to say.
 - ***Chuck Ledsome made motion to adjourn; Mike Walls seconded; all approved.***

~ ~ Next Work Session/Council Meeting April 20, 2021 ~ ~