

ORIGINAL



CITY COUNCIL MEETING Meeting Minutes of August 1, 2019

PUBLIC HEARING: For the purpose of receiving and reviewing public comment regarding the use of municipal road aid funds of \$169,975.53 for 2019-2020.

In the absence of the Mayor, Chair Sue Neltner called the Alexandria Public Hearing to order at 7:00 p.m.

Mr. Duncan explained this public hearing is pursuant to KRS 174.100 in order to hear public comment regarding how to spend the money. The amount of \$169,975.53 was budgeted along with money from the general fund for the street program.

There being no comment from the public, the hearing was officially closed at 7:02 p.m.

Chair Sue Neltner then called the Alexandria City Council Meeting to order at 7:02 p.m. followed by the invocation and the pledge to the flag. The following Council Members answering roll call:

Stacey Graus	Present	Susan Vanlandingham	Present
Bob Simon	Present	Sue Neltner	Present
Kyle Sparks	Present	Tom Baldrige	Present

Also: Jan Johannemann, City Clerk
Lucas Cooper, Police Chief
Lt. Adam Bradbury, Fire Dept.
Mike Duncan, City Attorney
Sam Trapp, Public Works Supt.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES – July 18, 2019

MOTION: Stacey Graus made a motion to approve the minutes of the July 18, 2019 meeting, seconded by Kyle Sparks. All in favor, the motion passed 6-0-0.

VISITORS & GUESTS – None

ORDINANCES & RESOLUTIONS

Mr. Duncan read the following:

MUN ORD #2019-16: Heather Davis to fill a vacancy on the Board of Ethics as an alternate, for a one-year term to expire on December 31, 2019.

MOTION: Stacey Graus made a motion to adopt Municipal Order #2019-16, seconded by Tom Baldrige. All in favor, the motion passed 6-0-0.

DEPARTMENT REPORTS

City Clerk: This past Tuesday, KLC met with the Clerk's office, the Police Department, and the Community Center to get an idea how things were going and what they could do to better serve the City. Overall it was a good meeting. Ms. Hackworth spent a week at the Kentucky Municipal Clerk's Institute in Lexington and has completed her first year of training.

Police Department: See attached report. The numbers have increased from last month because the officers are being more proactive. They performed a traffic study on Grandview and found the average speed was lower than the posted speed.

Fire Department: See attached report. Mr. Sparks asked if homeowners know that Alexandria is now a Level 2 and that their home insurance should go down. Lt. Bradbury explained that the ISO should notify the insurance companies to let them know of the new rating. Homeowners should see

a drop in their bill, but the amounts can vary. There is a blood drive Wednesday, August 7 from 1-6 pm at the Fire Department.

COUNCIL COMMITTEES

Personnel – Tom Baldrige: Next meeting is August 15.

Beautification – Sue Neltner: They met tonight and will have a Summer Beautification Award. Nomination deadline is August 22 by 2:00 pm. Winners will be announced on September 5 and the winner will be invited to the September 19 council meeting to receive their certificate.

Public Works – Bob Simon: They met tonight and discussed the 2019-2020 street program. Next meeting is September 5.

Safety – Susan Vanlandingham: Next meeting is August 15. If you have topics, pass those along.

BOARDS & COMMISSIONS – None

NEW BUSINESS – None

OLD BUSINESS – None

MAYOR AND COUNCIL COMMENTS

Tom Baldrige: He wanted to thank Carol Hofstetter for the way she handled the POD issue and for being on top of things. He also thanked the Public Works Department for their quick response in removing the dead deer on his road.

Kyle Sparks: There is a Farmual Fest at AJ Jolly Park soon and he encouraged business owners to use their signs to welcome people who will be traveling through Alexandria to that event. Also, the Fair and Horse show is at the end of this month. He encouraged businesses to help make people feel welcome.

Sue Neltner: The Light Up Alexandria group has sent out post cards to businesses in the city who have an occupational license. They are looking for businesses to participate in the event, whether they have a store front or not. The event will take place on December 6 & 7.

Susan Vanlandingham: She attended the second meeting of the Campbell County Council of Governments. This is an organization that is being reestablished after several years and it consists of all county officials; city mayors, councilman, and commissioners. It is a space for cities to share ideas, concerns and to see how the cities can assist one another and discuss what is happening in the county as a whole. KLC has been present at both meetings, along with guest speakers. They recently discussed the upcoming census and what each city is doing to prepare and what the county is doing. This information will be important for everyone. It is a good place to meet other city officials and encouraged the rest of council to attend.

She also commented on the Planning and Zoning public hearing, echoing a lot of what was said at the previous council meeting. She was glad to see democracy in action and was impressed with the number of citizens that turned out. Alexandria is changing and she challenged the citizens to be more proactive and involved in community meetings. There were a lot of comments on social media of what citizens want in the community but they don't realize that some of those things are outside the reach of the city because of liability and finances. The Business Retention and Development Committee is reaching out to businesses and other groups and even creating a Comprehensive Plan committee, but she wants to go beyond that. She would like to get the opinion of the citizens of the community. As elected officials they are supposed to represent the opinion of the community and

will need their input. Ms. Vanlandingham would like to create a survey that would reach all citizens and business owners. Asking the right questions will enable them to reevaluate the Comprehensive Plan more effectively. If they want to create a community that they can be proud of then the community needs to be involved.

Mr. Sparks agreed with what was stated, but mentioned that we need to get the "house in order" and to lay some groundwork so they can better use the information that is gathered. It was suggested to wait until after the next BR&D meeting, as there will be more information shared. We are moving in the right direction and she is pleading with the community to be involved.

FUTURE MEETINGS

- Planning and Zoning – August 6, 2019 at 7:00pm
- Park and Recreation – August 7, 2019 at 7:00pm

COMMUNICATIONS

- Saturday, August 10, 9:00 am-12:00 pm: Dog Day in the Park
- Friday, August 30: Movie in the Park "How to Train Your Dragon – The Hidden World"
- Wednesday, August 28: Fair Parade

ADJOURNMENT

MOTION: Kyle Sparks made a motion to adjourn, seconded by Bob Simon. All in favor, the motion passed 6-0-0. The meeting adjourned at 7:28 p.m.



Jan Johannemann, City Clerk

Date: 8/19/19



Andy Schabell, Mayor

Date: 8/16/19