



CITY COUNCIL MEETING Meeting Minutes of September 19, 2019

Mayor Schabell called the Alexandria City Council Meeting to order at 7:00 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 Absent	Sue Neltner Present
Kyle Sparks Present	Tom Baldrige Present

Also: Jan Johannemann, City Clerk Mike Duncan, City Attorney
Lucas Cooper, Police Chief Sam Trapp, Public Works Supt.
Sgt. Jim Pape, Fire Dept.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES – September 5, 2019

MOTION: Kyle Sparks made a motion to approve the minutes of the September 19, 2019 meeting, seconded by Stacey Graus. All in favor, the motion passed 5-0-0.

VISITORS & GUESTS

Summer Beautification Award, Ryan & Carly Neltner: Ms. Neltner presented the beatification award to Ryan & Carly Neltner, 1298 Poplar Ridge Road.

Heineke Veterinary Hospital Recognition: Barry Heineke shared the history of the veterinary hospital that was started 22 years ago. His two sons are also part of the family business, Dr. Brandon Heineke and Nick Heineke. Barry said that if it weren't for his two sons, they likely would not have built the new hospital. He wanted to contribute to the residents of Alexandria and to the growth of city as well. They will have an open house on October 5.

Ms. Neltner and Mr. Sparks thanked the Heineke family for all of the hard work they put into the new facility. Mayor Schabell read the Proclamation in honor of Dr. Barry Heineke and the Heineke Veterinary Hospital, and declared Friday, September 20, 2019 as "Dr. Barry Heineke" Day.

ORDINANCES & RESOLUTIONS

*Mr. Duncan read the following:
(First Reading)*

ORD #2019-05: An ordinance of the City of Alexandria, in Campbell County, Kentucky, amending Ordinance 2018-03, the City's budget for fiscal year 2018/2019, by transferring funds to and among the various budget accounts according to attached exhibit "A", in order to end the fiscal year in balance.

(First Reading)

ORD #2019-06: An ordinance of the City of Alexandria, in Campbell County, Kentucky, amending Ordinance 2019-03, the City's budget for fiscal year 2019/2020, in order to approve the Sewer Fund budget, according to attached exhibit "A".

DEPARTMENT REPORTS

City Clerk: Tax bills went out last Friday and payments are coming in. Thank you to the City of Highland Heights for offering the use of their paper folder and envelope stuffer, saving a lot of time.

Police Department: Chief Cooper wanted to recognize Sgt. Kevin Matthews who will retire from the Alexandria Police Department on September 30. His last day of service was September 12. Sgt. Matthews has served with the APD for 20 years.

The Teen Bash event will be Sunday, September 29 from 2:30-4:30. This event is open to all middle school and high school students. There are different events and games planned.

Coffee with a Cop at Miss Shirley's will be Wednesday, October 2. This is a great opportunity for the residents to come out and talk with the police department in an informal way.

The Police Department is accepting applications through October 4th for a Police Social Worker. Bruna Souza has accepted a position with the Kentucky State Police to help them develop a social work program.

Public Works: See attached report.

Zoning Administrator: See attached report.

Community Center: See attached report.

COUNCIL COMMITTEES

Personnel – Tom Baldrige: Next Personnel Committee meeting will be November 21.

Business Retention and Development – Kyle Sparks: The committee met this evening and discussed a new website.

Beautification – Sue Neltner: The committee is looking for the best Fall/Halloween decorations. Nominations are due October 25 by 2:00pm.

Safety – Susan Vanlandingham: She had contacted District 6 again asking them to reconsider their decision about the signal light at US27 and 536. She did hear back from them and they are looking into it. Next meeting will be November 21.

Finance – Stacey Graus: Next meeting is October 17 and they will be discussing investment opportunities and going over the audit.

BOARDS & COMMISSIONS

Planning & Zoning: Mr. Hart is forming a sub-committee of Planning & Zoning to help with the Comprehensive Plan. He is working to appoint individuals to this committee, comprised of someone from City Council, Fire Department, a resident, a business owner and someone from P & Z. The goal is to meet before the P & Z meeting and help guide the process.

NEW BUSINESS

Rumpke: Ms. Neltner has received phone calls from residents in different subdivisions about Rumpke trash and recycling trucks showing up very early (around 4:00 a.m. and at 5:30 a.m.). The contract states they are not to start service before 6:00 a.m. Rumpke will be contacted.

OLD BUSINESS

Subdivision Street Lighting: Mr. Duncan provided an overview of what is stated in the Subdivision Regulations (see attached). The regulations stipulate that Planning & Zoning is to review the street lighting and then it goes before council for approval to pay for the electric. For many years, these steps have been skipped. Mr. Duncan said council could change it to where only the Mayor, Public Works, or the Zoning Administrator has to review and approve. If council wants to change the process, they would need to make a recommendation to P & Z to change the language in the Subdivision Regulations.

There was also a provision about subdivision HOA's, as stated in the handout, and whether or not they should pay for their own street lighting. If the city takes care of the streets, paying for the lighting should be the city's responsibility, for safety reasons.

Sam Trapp explained the process the city has now is that Duke lays out the lighting, they send us the plan. He reviews them then passes them on to the Mayor to sign the contract. Council agreed this makes sense.

Council suggested a revision to remove the HOA language and change it from council to the Mayor. If the City or any resident wants to request additional street lights, Mr. Trapp pointed out that the cost of installation would be the responsibility of the requester. The City would be responsible for the electric cost. In order to clarify the city's policy, Mr. Duncan will draft an ordinance addressing requests for street lighting in older subdivisions.

Dog Park: Ms. Neltner said the City owns property at 2443 Hickorywood Court which could possibly be a dog park location. Parking and topography could be an issue. Mr. Trapp will walk the property to see if there is any viability to the location. Ms. Vanlandingham asked if the empty lot under the power lines on Ridgewood would be another option. Mr. Trapp explained Duke's policy states no parks or dog parks are allowed under the power lines.

MAYOR AND COUNCIL COMMENTS

Tom Baldrige: Mr. Baldrige questioned the Community Center report and the difference in the revenue verses expenses. Does the City just eat the difference as a service to the community? Mayor Schabell explained it is part of the services provided to the residents of Alexandria, and he believes due to the type of facility, the fee charged for events is fair. Mr. Baldrige said it is a great service provided to the residents.

Susan Vanlandingham: She asked if there was any way to paint the letters on the front of the Community Center. Mayor Schabell said we are looking into new letters and possible signs to update the front of the building as well as new letters for the City Building. She also brought up the city's sign on US27 and asked if the city is in violation of an ordinance. It is a temporary sign that has wheels so it can be moved if not being used. However, with all the activities at the Community Center and the City, it is utilized constantly.

Ms. Vanlandingham asked if the city could use the Alexandria Fire Department sign to advertise council meetings. Sgt. Pape will check. Mayor Schabell believes the city does need to update the sign and will look at that for next year's budget. There was some discussion about the current location of the sign and whether it was on the State right-of-way or Duke's property. Mr. Trapp suggested determining a location and then he could talk with the appropriate party about acquiring the land. In the meantime, Sgt. Pape will talk with Chief Pohlman and the fire board.

Stacey Graus: He wanted to let the citizens know that Council and the Mayor are proactive at addressing issues. He encouraged residents to contact council members with issues so they can begin to address them.

Sue Neltner: She wanted to encourage citizens to let the city know if they have won an award so the city can recognize them.

FUTURE MEETINGS

- Planning and Zoning – October 1, 2019 at 7:00pm
- Park & Rec – October 2, 2019 at 7:00pm

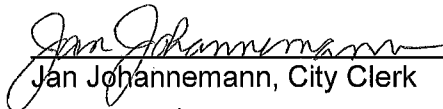
ORIGINAL

COMMUNICATIONS

- Friday, September 20, Dusk: Movie Night - "How to Train Your Dragon: The Hidden World"
- October 11-12, 8:00am-5:00pm: Campbell County Cleanup
- Halloween Trick-or-Treat hours: Thursday, October 31, 6:00pm-8:00pm
- November 2, 9:00am-2:00pm: Household Waste Collection event, UC Health Stadium in Florence. Registrations forms need to be completed before you arrive.

ADJOURNMENT

MOTION: Kyle Sparks made a motion to adjourn, seconded by Tom Baldrige. All in favor, the motion passed 5-0-0. The meeting adjourned at 7:54 p.m.



Jan Johannemann, City Clerk

Date: 10/3/19



Andy Schabell, Mayor

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