PLANNING & ZONING MEETING
Minutes of January 20, 2015

The Alexandria Planning & Zoning Commission met in regular session on the above date at 7:00 p.m. Chairperson Dave Hart opened the meeting with the Pledge of Allegiance. The following members answered roll call:

Present: Dave Hart, Chair  James Glahn  Sonny Markus
          Ron Johnson  Rick Neltner

Absent: Susie Thomas

Also: Jan Johannemann, Asst. City Clerk

ELECTION OF OFFICERS:

MOTION: Susie Thomas nominated Dave Hart for Chairman, seconded by Ron Johnson. All in favor, the motion passed 7-0-0.

MOTION: Marty Hipple nominated Sonny Markus for Vice-Chairman, seconded by Rick Neltner. All in favor, the motion passed 7-0-0.

MOTION: Sonny Markus nominated Susie Thomas for Treasurer, seconded by Ron Johnson. All in favor, the motion passed 7-0-0.

MOTION: Susie Thomas nominated Marty Hipple for Secretary, seconded by Sonny Markus. All in favor, the motion passed 7-0-0.

Mr. Hart closed the Election of Officers.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: January 6, 2015

MOTION: Rick Neltner made a motion to approve the minutes of January 6, 2015, seconded by James Glahn. All in favor, the motion passed 4-0-2 with Ms. Thomas and Mr. Hipple abstaining.

VISITORS & GUESTS:

Don Reinhardt, Owner of Town & Country Shopping Center, Alexandria Pike: His property is zoned Neighborhood Shopping Center and he would like to get pawn shops added to the list of permitted uses and asked what the procedure was for getting this done. Mr. Hart advised Mr. Reinhardt to call Carol Hofstetter for assistance in making an application for that. Carol would be the one that has the correct information. He will also check into this.

Mr. Reinhardt is hoping to get this added to the permitted uses and would like the support of the Planning & Zoning Commission. Mr. Hart said the commission is looking at all of the commercial zones to restructure the language, and this may be something that needs to be addressed if it isn't already. He is not asking for a zoning change, just adding this use to the zone.

Mr. Hart will check into this matter. Mr. Reinhardt asked for phone numbers of P&Z and would like to follow up with Mr. Hart in a week to ten days.

OLD BUSINESS:
General Discussion on Zoning Ordinances: Mr. Hart said the discussions over the past year will either be acted on with text amendments, or hold public hearings if necessary, and he will be discussing this with the City Attorney.

Mr. Markus brought up an article he’d read about pre-fab homes in Alexandria. It is believed the ones in question are outside the city limits.

Mr. Giahn mentioned a recent Supreme Court ruling in June regarding directional signage not being allowed on certain properties. He thinks this might affect some of the P&Z decisions.

Mr. Hart said if any commissioner has something they think needs discussion, please bring it to the table soon.

After some general discussion on landscaping around residences, Mr. Neltner asked if there were any ordinances addressing what could and could not be done in the back yards other than grass height. Mr. Hart said it could be addressed by P&Z on the site plan, but typically the problem does not come about on a new build, but after the residence has been occupied for a while.

Mr. Hart addressed Mr. Johnson’s question from a prior meeting regarding Doepker & Young. This was a right-of-way problem where a property owner could not access his utility building. It was addressed by an ID plat.

Also, addressed was Mr. Neltner’s question about speed calming devices. Mr. Hart thinks some of this should be eventually built into the subdivision regulations and pavement specs.

Another question brought up at a prior meeting was whether there will be an engineer’s rate increase since CDS is now CT Consultants. Mr. Hart said they will not.

NEW BUSINESS: None

INTERNAL BUSINESS:

Treasurer’s Report:
Susie Thomas presented the Treasurer’s Report for January, 2015. She explained the beginning balance from the December report was $14,157.58. There was an error – the ending balance of the September Treasurer’s Report was $22,105.91, and when the November report was prepared, the carry-over was $18,292.81, for a difference of $3,813.10. Therefore, the correct balance was not reflected in the December Treasurer’s Report. The Ending Balance now matches the PNC account balance.

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MOTION: Marty Hipple made a motion to pay the invoices, seconded by Sonny Markus. All in favor, the motion passed 6-0-1 with Mr. Hart abstaining.

MOTION: Rick Neltner made a motion to approve the Treasurer’s Report dated January 20, 2015, seconded by Marty Hipple. All in favor, the motion passed 6-0-1 with Mr. Hart abstaining.
Correspondence: Mr. Hart does want to discuss fee schedules that Planning & Zoning charge and also services that CT Consultants/CDS Associates are able to offer. Mr. Johnson said he would like to see the engineer's and city attorney's fee schedule and to see what CT Consultants expect to do throughout the year. There was general discussion about city engineers/P&Z engineers, and the process on obtaining engineering services.

ADJOURNMENT:

MOTION: Marty Hippe made a motion to adjourn, seconded by James Glahn. All in favor, the motion passed with a 6-0-1 vote with Mr. Hart abstaining. Meeting adjourned at 7:43 p.m.

Attested to and submitted by:

Karen M. Barto
City Clerk/Treasurer
Dated 2-4-15

Dave Hart, Chair
Planning and Zoning
Dated 2/3/15