



ORIGINAL

**PLANNING & ZONING MEETING
Minutes of August 21, 2018**

Chairperson Dave Hart opened the regular meeting at 7:00 p.m. on the above date, with the Pledge of Allegiance and the following members answering roll call:

Present: Dave Hart, Chair Sonny Markus Ron Johnson (arrived at 7:14)
 Steven Shinkle Nick Reitman Randy Nehus

Absent: Tom Wheeler

Also Present: Jan Johannemann, Asst. City Clerk Carol Hofstetter, Zoning Administrator

APPROVAL OF MINUTES – August 7, 2018

MOTION: Steve Shinkle made a motion to approve the minutes of August 7, 2018, seconded by Sonny Markus. All in favor, the motion passed 4-0-1, with Mr. Hart abstaining.

NEW BUSINESS - None

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Off-Site Signs:

The Commissioners discussed a handout by Carol Hofstetter regarding Tonya Bolton being unable to advertise her business located in the Susan’s Salon building behind Empress Chili. Sonny Markus agreed there should be some allowance made for the small businesses, giving the example of the new brewery and how nice it would be to have a listing of all those businesses in that complex somewhere along the highway.

Tonya Bolton Photography is located on Commercial Circle. She wanted to put a sign near Empress to advertise a special she had going on, and was not allowed to because it was not on her property no one knew she was back there. This was the issue with a lot of businesses as they have no way of letting the public know they exist. Randy Nehus asked how many businesses were in that complex. Carol replied Susan’s Salon, Tonya Bolton Photography, and St. Elizabeth Physicians. There is a sign in the front of building, but again no one sees it unless they drive back into the complex.

Sonny Markus said it was the same situation as Alexandria Village Green where there is a large sign at one entrance, but it does not list everything that is there, it needs upgrading, and there isn’t room for every business within the shopping center.

There was much discussion regarding the Village Green sign, including who is responsible for the signs, the updating and removing businesses no longer in the center, and the fact that there is only one large sign at the south end and none at the north end. It was suggested that as smaller centers open, a similar marquis be allowed as to show all businesses. Mr. Markus compared this to what is now at Martha Layne Collins and US 27.

Carol Hofstetter will call Village Green Management to discuss their sign and ask if there are plans to update.

Mr. Hart pointed out it is more up to the landlord and the business owner to work out sign issues. However, there might be something that needs to be tweaked in the Zoning Ordinances to address the language regarding signage, and this is the time to do it.

Sonny Markus then asked if there was anything else regarding the new subdivision on Poplar Ridge. Carol has not heard anything further and has no information.

INTERNAL BUSINESS

Mr. Nehus presented the Treasurer's Report for August 21, 2018

Beginning Balance	\$12906.11	
Receipts	+250.00	Conveyance Plat, Eaton, 1 Bittersweet
Expenses	-325.00	Ziegler & Schneider, Inv. 209
	-1053.00	Ziegler & Schneider, Inv. 211
	- 486.00	CT Consultants, Inv. 180283-7
Ending Balance	\$11,292.11	

MOTION: Sonny Markus made motion to pay invoices as submitted, Nick Reitman seconded. All in favor, the motion passed 5-0-1 with Dave Hart abstaining.

MOTION: Nick Reitman made motion to accept the Treasurer's Report as submitted, seconded by Sonny Markus. All in favor, the motion passed 5-0-1 with Dave Hart abstaining.

CITY COUNCIL REPORT:

Council had a first reading of the Ordinance approving the rezoning of 7010 Alex Pike at their 8/16 meeting. Because there will be no quorum for the next scheduled council meeting, a special council meeting will be held this Thursday, August 23rd to have a second reading of this ordinance, along with a second reading setting the property tax rate.

CORRESPONDENCE - None

ADJOURNMENT

MOTION: Nick Reitman made a motion to adjourn, seconded by Steve Shinkle. All in favor, the motion passed with a 5-0-1 vote with Mr. Hart abstaining. Meeting adjourned at 7:22 p.m.

Attested to and submitted by:



Karen M. Barto, City Clerk/Treasurer



Dave Hart, Chair

Dated 9-5-2018

Dated 9/4/2018