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
          Rick Neltner
          Sonny Markus
          Steven Shinkle
          Nick Reitman
          Ron Johnson
          Randy Nehus

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

APPROVAL OF MINUTES - February 20, 2018

MOTION: Nick Reitman made a motion to approve the minutes of February 20, 2018 as submitted, seconded by Steven Shinkle. All in favor, the motion passed 4-0-2 with Mr. Markus and Mr. Hart abstaining.

VISITORS & GUESTS - None

OLD BUSINESS

Below is a follow-up of what was discussed at the last meeting:

1. **Arcadia:** Carol Hofstetter provided the commissioners with minutes from an old P&Z meeting where conditions were set on the percentage of completed residential units (79%, or 805 of 1,010 units) before the second exit would be opened. At present, Carol stated there are 212 permits issued.

2. **Alexandria Brewing Company:** Mr. Hart made contact with the owner to see if he needed anything from the City. He indicated he was hard at work trying to get things done.

3. **Grass along US27:** Mr. Hart confirmed the number of feet from the curb for keeping grass cut on lots along Alexandria Pike was set at 20 feet. Mr. Duncan should be adding this to the Zoning Ordinance update.

Mr. Neltner asked if there was any update on the new subdivision on Poplar Ridge. Surveyors were seen working on the land, but it does not appear to have been sold yet.

Mayor Rachford commented on statements made at the February 20th P&Z meeting by a member of the Commission. The Mayor viewed the video of the meeting and noted the questions about the Alexandria Brewing Company. He personally spoke to Mr. Reynolds today to see what problems he was having. Mr. Reynolds has not had any problems with the City in terms of approvals, etc. There were a few snags: (1) Duke Energy has required electrical additions/modifications because of the significant change of the space; (2) Four Mile Pig will be serving the food in the establishment; and (3) the Building Inspector required a fire wall be installed and he has had difficulty finding an architect to draw up the specs to get this done. This work will start very soon and be completed at least by early next week. The Mayor again asked Mr. Reynolds if there was anything the City needed to do and he said no.

The Mayor stated Mr. Neltner’s comments on the video from last week’s meeting gave the impression that the City was a holdup for the construction of the opening of this facility. Mayor Rachford wanted to set the record straight. This is not the case and the City is not anti-business, nor are we in the habit of holding up permits for businesses.

Also, Mr. Reynolds indicated he is planning to have a keg tapping on either March 24th or 31st, depending on how quickly he gets things done.
Mayor Rachford wanted to update the Commission on what he saw on the video from the February 20th meeting, and his conversation with Mr. Reynolds. When talking about what is going on in the city in terms of processes with businesses, the Mayor urged the commissioners to make sure the facts are straight. We want to convey accurate information to those who watch these meetings and also anyone looking to do business with the City.

Mr. Nettner responded to the Mayor's comments, referring to what was written in those minutes “Mr. Nettner wanted to make sure that the City wasn’t holding up anything on this project.” He stated he did not say anything about anti or pro-business, as he is in business in Alexandria.

NEW BUSINESS

Mr. Hart asked for dates when everyone would be available for another training session with Mr. Duncan in order to get HB55 training credit hours. March 20, April 3, or any date in May is okay with the Commissioners. Carol will get with Mr. Duncan to set something up.

Also, there are other training sessions presented by David Pike available in Paducah on March 21, London on April 4, and Erlanger on April 18. These are 8-hour sessions on a Wednesday.

INTERNAL BUSINESS

Other: Mr. Markus asked why the prior renter did not need a fire wall, but the Alexandria Brewing Company (ABC) did. Mr. Hart said the old renter was Skip N Flip and did not need one, but because of the brewing equipment, the building inspector required ABC to have one to protect the renter next door.

ADJOURNMENT

MOTION: Steven Shinkle made a motion to adjourn, seconded by Nick Reitman. All in favor, the motion passed with a 6-0-1 vote with Mr. Hart abstaining. Meeting adjourned at 7:22 p.m.

Attested to and submitted by:

Karen M. Barto, City Clerk/Treasurer
Dated 3/21/2018

Dave Hart, Chair
Dated 3/20/18