



CITY COUNCIL MEETING Meeting Minutes of April 4, 2024

Mayor Andy Schabell called the Alexandria City Council Meeting to order at 7:02 p.m. followed by the invocation. The following Council Members answering roll call:

Joe Anderson	Present	Tom Baldrige	Present
Stacey Graus	Present	Kyle Sparks	Present
Robert Strong	Present		

Also: Stephanie Tarter, City Clerk
Mike Duncan, City Attorney
David Plummer, City Administrator

Lucas Cooper, Police Chief
Doug DeJaco, Public Works Supt.
JoAnn Hackworth, City Treasurer

Mayor Schabell asked for a moment of silence for those who had been lost that week, a business owner lost their son, Brady Delaney; Dale Cruz, a retired Campbell County Fire Fighter and did all the signs for the city; followed by the pledge to the flag.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: March 21, 2024, Regular Meeting

MOTION: Tom Baldrige made a motion to approve the minutes of the March 21, 2024, Regular Meeting, seconded by Kyle Sparks. All in favor, the motion passed 4-0-1, Stacey Graus abstained.

ORDINANCES, RESOLUTIONS & MUNICIPAL ORDERS

Mike Duncan then read the following:

Ordinance 2024-02 (2nd Reading): An Ordinance of the City of Alexandria, in Campbell County, Kentucky, amending section 37.02 of the City of Alexandria Code of Ordinances and the city's Personnel and Pay Classification plan by 1) creating the position of Recreation Programmer, 2) adopting the job description for the Recreation Programmer, and 3) amending the salary ranges for city employees to include the Recreation Programmer.

MOTION: Robert Strong made a motion to adopt Ordinance 2024-02, seconded by Tom Baldrige. Mr. Plummer gave an overview of the update in the job title from the first reading. All in favor, the motion passed 5-0-0.

DEPARTMENT REPORTS

City Clerk: Ms. Tarter spoke briefly about the Memorial Day parade, and advised council they had until May 17, 2024, to RSVP. Council should have received an email from the Northern Kentucky Area Development District asking to participate in a transportation survey.

City Administrator: See attached report. Mr. Plummer said an RFQ will be going out into the paper seeking a qualified engineer for the Alternative Transportation Grant the city was awarded. He also met with Pepper Construction at their headquarters.

Police Department: See attached report. Chief Cooper gave an update on the intersection at 27 & Washington, in 2 weeks Mr. Plummer and Chief Cooper will meet with the school regarding the suggestions to the intersection. Chief Cooper reported they hired a new Officer, Brian Messer, to fill a vacancy this past week.

COUNCIL COMMITTEES

Public Works – Tom Baldrige: Next meeting will be May 16, 2024, at 6:00pm.

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Safety – Joe Anderson: Next meeting will be May 16, 2024 @ 6:30pm

Business Retention & Development – Kyle Sparks: Next meeting will be June 6, 2024, at 6:00pm.

Personnel – Robert Strong: Next meeting will be July 18, 2024, at 6:30pm.

Finance – Stacey Graus: The committee met this evening and discussed a budget amendment for the current fiscal year with an increase in revenue and expenses; they reviewed the 2024-2025 year's budget, and the city complex expenses. Next meeting will be May 2, 2024 @ 6:00pm.

BOARDS & COMMISSIONS:

Park and Rec: Mayor Schabell advised council that Jenny Vildibill's last meeting was April 3, 2024, there is now a vacancy that will need to be filled. The board discussed budget items, projects, and the addition of pickleball courts for the 2024-2025 budget.

NEW BUSINESS - NONE

OLD BUSINESS - NONE

COUNCIL & MAYOR COMMENTS

Tom Baldridge: Gave condolences regarding the passing of Dale Cruz and his work on the city sign.

Joe Anderson: Gave condolences to the family of Dale Cruz. He asked for an update regarding the spots along 27 by Walmart and Cottingham, work should start as soon as the weather breaks.

Kyle Sparks: Expressed condolences to the families that lost loved ones and commented on the updates the Bridge did fixing the potholes in the parking lot.

Robert Strong: He gave a quick overview of Classic Printing; they started the business on West Main Street but as the business grew, they moved a few times and are now located on 27 across from Campbell County Middle School. They have now celebrated 30 years of business. They provide a hometown customer service feeling and thank the city and residents for their success. Mr. Strong also expressed condolences to the families.

Stacey Graus: Expressed appreciation of the condolences on the passing of his uncle, Dale Cruz, he made lots of contributions to multiple cities.

FUTURE MEETINGS

- April 16, 7:00pm – Planning & Zoning

COMMUNICATIONS

- April 13, 8:00am-12:00pm – Furniture Fair Shred Event, Furniture Fair, Cold Spring, KY
- April 26 & 27, 8:00-5:00pm – Campbell County Clean-Up Event, various locations
- April 27, 10:00am – Arbor Day Tree Giveaway, Alexandria Community Park
- April 27, 10:00am-2:00pm – DEA National Drug Take Back Day, Calvin A. Perry Community Center
- April 28, 1:00pm-4:00pm – Heroes Day, Campbell County Middle School
- May 11, 12:00pm-8:00pm – Alexandria Business Showcase, Washington St.

ORIGINAL

Meetings have been held with the business owners and the event is shaping up to be a lot of fun with live music, food and things for the kids.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

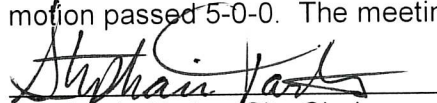
MOTION: Tom Baldrige made a motion to go into Executive Session pursuant to KRS 61.810(f) to discuss an employee matter, seconded by Kyle Sparks. All in favor, the motion passed 5-0-0. Executive Session began at 7:18 pm.

MOTION: Tom Baldrige made a motion to return to Regular Session, seconded by Robert Strong. All in favor, the motion passed 5-0-0. Returned to Regular Session at 7:30 pm.

It was discussed to accept applications for the vacancy on City Council until Thursday, April 25 by end of day and then to invite the applicants to the May 2 meeting. They will go back into Executive Session at the May 2 meeting and then announce the appointee. Mayor Schabell asked all of this to be put on Facebook.

ADJOURNMENT

MOTION: Kyle Sparks made a motion to adjourn, seconded by Tom Baldrige. All in favor, the motion passed 5-0-0. The meeting was adjourned at 7:33 p.m.


Stephanie Tarter, City Clerk

Date: 4/18/2024


Andy Schabell, Mayor

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