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CITY COUNCIL MEETING
Meeting Minutes of August 15, 2024

Mayor Andy 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:

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

Also:	Stephanie Tarter, City Clerk	Lucas Cooper, Police Chief
	Mike Duncan, City Attorney	Doug DeJaco, Public Works Supt.
	David Plummer, City Administrator	Kelly Perry, City Treasurer

Mayor Schabell opened the public hearing at 7:00pm.

PUBLIC HEARING:

The City of Alexandria proposes a tax rate which will exceed the compensating tax rate, but the proposed rate is the same as the preceding year. Additionally, the proposed rate is expected to produce revenue from real property, exclusive of revenue from new property, of less than four percent (4%) over the amount of revenue which would be produced by the compensating tax rate. The revenue in excess of the revenue produced in the preceding year is proposed to be allocated to the General Fund to be administered according to the budget for fiscal year 2024-2025. The purpose of this public hearing is to receive taxpayer input on the proposed tax rate for 2024. This notice is required by KRS 132.027 as passed by the Kentucky General Assembly.

Mr. Duncan gave a brief overview of the public hearing for the proposed tax rate. There was no comment from the public.

Closed the public hearing at 7:03pm

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: August 1, 2024, Regular Meeting

MOTION: Tom Baldrige made a motion to approve the minutes of the August 1, 2024, Regular Meeting, seconded by Robert Strong. All in favor, the motion passed 6-0-0.

UNSCHEDULED VISITORS AND GUESTS - None

ORDINANCES, RESOLUTIONS & MUNICIPAL ORDERS

(Mike Duncan read the following.)

Ordinance 2020-01: Exhibit Update for Zoning Restrictions

Mr. Duncan gave an overview of the zone change that occurred back in 2020 and the restrictions that were put on the parcel. The owner of the building requested a change before the Planning & Zoning Commission asking to change that condition to allow the batting cages and golfing simulator.

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MOTION: Stacey Graus made a motion to approve the zoning restriction update for Ordinance 2020-01, seconded by Robert Strong. All in favor, the motion passed 6-0-0.

Ordinance 2024-07 (1st Reading): An Ordinance of the City of Alexandria, in Campbell County, Kentucky, providing for the assessment of real property within the corporate limits of the City of Alexandria and levying an Ad Valorem Tax of \$0.140 on each one hundred dollars (\$100.00) of assessed valuation (\$1.40 per thousand) of real property in the city for the 2024 assessment tax year and specifying the purpose for which the tax is levied.

DEPARTMENT REPORTS

City Clerk: Working on getting things ready for tax bills to go out. Also reminded Council about the Alexandria Fair Parade and to let her know if they will be in attendance.

City Administrator: Advised he has been working on the design phase for the building, met with Donvan for energy and has been meeting with Pepper Construction to move the project along. He gave an update on getting the pole barn taken down and the project will be put back out to bid. Mr. Plummer reported the bushes have been removed at the intersection in Village Green.

Police Department: See attached reports. School has started back and reminded drivers to be mindful of the school zones and the buses in the neighborhood. Both Resource officers are back at Campbell County Middle School and Campbell Ridge Elementary.

Public Works: See attached reports. He reported the Lower Dam project was completed this week, all equipment has been removed and the terrain has changed so be mindful of the changes.

Zoning/Code Enforcement: See attached reports.

Community Center: See attached reports.

COUNCIL COMMITTEES

Public Works – Tom Baldrige: Met this evening and discussed the lower dam project, discussed the preconstruction meeting for the street program. The fishing dock was also discussed and will forward that over to the Park Board to look at. Next meeting will be September 19, 2024, at 6:00pm.

Safety – Joe Anderson: Next meeting will be September 19, 2024, at 6:30pm.

Bus. Retention & Development – Kyle Sparks: Next meeting will be September 5, 2024, at 6:00pm, but Kyle Sparks will be out of town.

Personnel – Robert Strong: Next meeting will be November 21, 2024, at 6:30pm.

Future Planning – Patrick Blair: Mr. Blair advised he met with Justin Otto and discussed how to get a seat at the table with different organizations. Next meeting will be October 3, 2024, at 6:00pm.

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Finance – Stacey Graus: Met this evening and discussed the financing for the city campus and will have time to figure out all the options and will have until January 2025 to decide. Next meeting will be October 17, 2024, at 6:30pm.

BOARDS & COMMISSIONS

Park and Rec: Pickleball courts were discussed at the last meeting and what steps will need to be taken. Mr. Baldrige asked if there would be enough parking and if there should be pickleball courts at the new city campus. He was advised there is concern with noise and increased traffic at the city campus and potentially interfering with the regular operation of city business.

NEW BUSINESS

Profit & Loss: No one had any questions.

OLD BUSINESS - None

COUNCIL & MAYOR COMMENTS

Tom Baldrige: Tree trimmed on Rainbow Court; thanks to Phil and the homeowner for taking care of it.

Joe Anderson: Little Caesars Pizza is going back in at the same location as before, opening August 27.

Kyle Sparks: Likes that Urgent Care is coming along. Also wanted to let folks know with little kids that FC Cincinnati has a minor league team at NKU, and they will have a free game on Friday.

FUTURE MEETINGS


- August 20, 7:00pm – Planning & Zoning
- September 3, 7:00pm - Planning & Zoning
- September 4, 7:00pm – Park & Recreation

COMMUNICATIONS

- August 3-23 – StoryWalk, Alexandria Community Park
- August 24, 10:00am-1:00pm – Dog Days, Alexandria Community Park

ADJOURNMENT

MOTION: Kyle Sparks made a motion to adjourn, seconded by Patrick Blair. All in favor, the motion passed 6-0-0. The meeting was adjourned at 7:22p.m.


Stephanie Tarter, City Clerk

Date: 9/5/24


Andy Schabell, Mayor

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