



CITY COUNCIL MEETING Meeting Minutes of September 5, 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 Baldridge	Present
Stacey Graus	Present	Kyle Sparks	Absent
Robert Strong	Absent	Patrick Blair	Present

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

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: August 15, 2024, Regular Meeting

MOTION: Tom Baldridge made a motion to approve the minutes of the August 15, 2024, Regular Meeting, seconded by Patrick Blair. All in favor, the motion passed 4-0-0.

UNSCHEDULED VISITORS AND GUESTS

Chris Korba, NKADD: Mr. Korba Director of Finance & Administration, introduced who NKADD is and the services they provide to cities and residents throughout the Northern Kentucky area, see attached flyer. They have Senior Centers and Career Centers throughout NKY as well as a Commodities Warehouse. They serve the counties of Boone, Kenton, Campbell, Carroll, Grant, Owen & Pendleton.

ORDINANCES, RESOLUTIONS & MUNICIPAL ORDERS

(Mike Duncan read the following.)

Ordinance 2024-07 (2nd 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.

MOTION: Stacey Graus made a motion to approve Ordinance 2024-07, seconded by Patrick Blair. All in favor the motion passed 4-0-0.

Ordinance 2024-08 (1st Reading): An Ordinance of the City of Alexandria, in Campbell County, Kentucky, determining that the public way of an alley lying south of East Main Street and east of South Jefferson Street and surrounded by the Delaney real estate, should be closed, making specific findings to support the closing pursuant to KRS 82.405, and closing the public way pursuant to that statute.

Ordinance 2024-09 (1st Reading): An Ordinance of the City of Alexandria, in Campbell County, Kentucky, renaming the isolated portion of Washington Street south of East Main Street to Brady Way.

ORIGINAL

There was a brief discussion regarding the location of the section of roadway and that it will remain a city-maintained street, but rather than changing all the addresses on Washington Street, it would be easier to rename this section that has no other parcels.

Resolution 2024-09: A Resolution of the City of Alexandria, in Campbell County, Kentucky, accepting an agreement with the Commonwealth of Kentucky, Transportation Cabinet, and authorizing and directing the Mayor to execute the attached agreement for a federal funding grant for the City of Alexandria East main Street sidewalk project, 06-03040.00, Federal Project Number 4002046 SC-628-240001592 in the amount of \$48,160.00.

Mr. Plummer gave a brief explanation of this grant; this is for the sidewalk to run from East Main Street down to the Stillwater subdivision. This portion is only for the design phase of the project and potentially the purchase of easements and the movement of utility poles. The project has a target date of 2027/2028 with an overall budget of \$300,000 at a 75/25 split.

There was some further discussion regarding the price of this project if the city were to fund the project without the grant.

MOTION: Tom Baldrige made a motion to approve Resolution 2024-09, seconded by Stacey Graus. All in favor the motion passed 4-0-0.

Resolution 2024-10: A Resolution of the City of Alexandria, in Campbell County, Kentucky, authorizing and directing the Mayor to Execute an engagement letter with the law firm of Frost Brown Todd LLP to provide bond counsel services for the city's new city building and community center campus project.

Mr. Duncan explained how this is a specialized type of attorney, and he would not be allowed to provide the services even if he was licensed to do so.

MOTION: Tom Baldrige made a motion to approve Resolution 2024-10, seconded by Patrick Blair. All in favor the motion passed 4-0-0.

Resolution 2024-11: A Resolution of the City Council of the City of Alexandria, Kentucky stating the reasonable expectation of the City of Alexandria, Kentucky to reimburse for capital expenditures from the proceeds of tax-exempt bonds.

Mr. Plummer explained the process and how the city could use the reimbursement from the bonds.

MOTION: Stacey Graus made a motion to approve Resolution 2024-11, seconded by Patrick Blair. All in favor the motion passed 4-0-0.

DEPARTMENT REPORTS

City Clerk: Working on getting tax bills out within the next few weeks.

City Administrator: See attached reports. Things are moving forward on the new city building, things should start accelerating. The financial audit is scheduled for September 30. He also mentioned Wawa has filed paperwork with SD1, and work should begin over the next few months.

ORIGINAL

Stacey Graus commented on the Lower Dam and the work that was done and how it came in under budget.

Police Department: Coffee with a Cop is set October 10, 8:30-10:30. He thanked everyone that behaved themselves at the fair this year, it was very uneventful for the police this year.

COUNCIL COMMITTEES

Public Works – Tom Baldridge: Next meeting will be September 19, 2024, at 6:00pm.

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

Future Planning – Patrick Blair: Next meeting will be October 3, 2024, at 6:00pm.

Finance – Stacey Graus: Next meeting will be October 17, 2024, at 6:30pm.

BOARDS & COMMISSIONS

Planning & Zoning: Meeting was cancelled due to lack of agenda; Cindy is working on some items for the board.

Park and Rec: Getting ready for Haunted Walk and discussed the Dog Days.

NEW BUSINESS

Amplify Alexandria: Take Care Barbershop is the business spotlight for the month of September.

Dog Day Report: See attached report.

OLD BUSINESS - None

COUNCIL & MAYOR COMMENTS

Tom Baldridge: Commented on folks running stop signs. City Campus, he would like to have an open house to show the citizens what the building will look like. Mayor Andy Schabell agreed that he would like to have something like that after the design phase is completed.

Joe Anderson: He asked Mr. DeJaco about the dock at the Lake, the public works will be pressure washing it in the next few weeks and then adding stain weather permitting. He asked about adding large stairs down to the lake with a handrail if the ground is wet after a rain. Mayor Andy Schabell doesn't want to encourage anyone to run down steps into the lake, especially children, but stated we could have Mr. DeJaco look into something.

Patrick Blair: He congratulated Kubota Tractor for moving along and being on target, looking forward to them joining the community. He was bummed but appreciated the fact they cancelled the fair parade when they did.

Mayor Schabell: He echoed the sentiments of Mr. Blair, and it was a tough call to make but it was the right call.

FUTURE MEETINGS

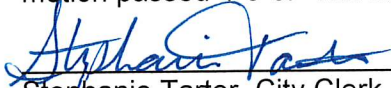
- September 11, 7:00pm – Board of Adjustments
- September 12, 7:00pm – Code Enforcement
- September 17, 7:00pm – Planning & Zoning

COMMUNICATIONS

- September 10 & 24, 7:00pm – Free Yoga at the Park
- September 12, 1:00pm – Kid's Art in the Park

ADJOURNMENT

MOTION: Tom Baldrige made a motion to adjourn, seconded by Patrick Blair. All in favor, the motion passed 4-0-0. The meeting was adjourned at 7:45p.m.


Stephanie Tarter, City Clerk

Date: 9-19-24


Andy Schabell, Mayor

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