

# *Town of Alexandria*

## **Meeting Minutes September 24, 2024**

The Mayor and Board of Alderman of the Town of Alexandria met for the monthly meeting on September 24, 2024 at 6p.m. The meeting was held in the conference room of the Alexandria Town Hall, DeKalb County Tennessee.

The council members in attendance were Mayor Beth Tripp, Bobby Simpson, Jonathon Tripp, Jeff Ford, Sherry Tubbs, Luke Prichard and Tiffany Robinson.

Quorum was established.

Prayer and Pledge was led by Jeff Ford.

Mayor Tripp opened the floor for Police Chief K.D. Smith to introduce 3 officers for potential hire to the board. K.D introduced Max Goodpasture for a potential full time Police Officer. K.D. introduced Jon Jenkins for a potential part time officer. K.D. introduced Vincent Turocy for a potential part time officer. Motion was made to hire the officers by Jeff Ford. Motion was 2<sup>nd</sup> by Bobby Simpson. MOTION PASSED. Officers were sworn in by Town Attorney Vester Parsley.

Mayor Tripp opened the floor for resident input. Jeff McMillen read a statement from the charter addressing citizens comments and conduct during meetings. Margaret Stevens presented the board with concerns involving the backfilling of the flood plains. No other resident input was heard.

Motion was made by Jeff Ford to approve the previous meeting minutes. Motion was 2<sup>nd</sup> by Jonathon Tripp. MOTION PASSED.

Mayor Tripp moved on to old business. There was none.

Mayor Tripp moved on to new business. Board was presented to remove Jeff McMillen as temporary town recorder and appoint Jessica Howard as town recorder. Motion was made by Jeff Ford. Motion 2<sup>nd</sup> by Sherry Tubbs. MOTION PASSED. Jeff McMillen presented the board with the approval of surplus properties. Motion was made by Luke Prichard. Motion was 2<sup>nd</sup> by Bobby Simpson. MOTION PASSED. The board was presented with the approval of plats. Motion was made by Jonathon Tripp. Motion 2<sup>nd</sup> by Luke Prichard. MOTION PASSED. The board was presented with adding Rhonda Conatser, CMFO, Beth Tripp, Mayor, Jeff Ford, Alderman, and Bobby Simpson, Vice Mayor, to the town bank accounts and removing Elizabeth Tetlow. Motion was made by Bobby Simpson. Motion 2<sup>nd</sup> by Jeff Ford. MOTION PASSED.

**Town Attorney, Vester Parsley, called for a recess to have an attorney meeting with the board in private.**

**Town Attorney, Vester Parsley, gave the monthly attorney report. Vester brought before the board the contract of Jimmy Cunningham, regarding the installation of some equipment that was installed under the previous administration. It was stated that Rich Potter, who is the current water and sewer director, did not need the equipment any longer. Mr. Cunningham stated he would remove the equipment for \$9,553.57 or the town could pay out his contract of \$30,250.00, which was entered by the prior administration. Motion was made by Jeff Ford to pay \$9,553.57 to remove said equipment. Motion was 2<sup>nd</sup> by Jonathon Tripp. MOTION PASSED.**

**The board was presented with the situation of a property tax payment mistake made by a town employee. Motion was made by Luke Prichard to waive any accrued penalties so resident can pay property tax. Motion was 2<sup>nd</sup> by Jeff Ford. MOTION PASSED.**

**Town attorney, Vester added to his attorney report the contract with Marq Brands regarding the transfer of a small piece of the fairgrounds and the issue of the sprinkler system.**

**Police chief, K.D. Smith presented the monthly police report. K.D. presented the board with wanting to place some police items on the surplus list to bring in proceeds for those items. Motion was made by Bobby Simpson. Motion was 2<sup>nd</sup> by Luke Prichard. MOTION PASSED. K.D stated the police department had been awarded a grant of \$10,000 from the Tennessee Highway Safety office, THSO.**

**Fire chief, John Partridge presented the monthly fire report and recognized two of his firefighters. Mason Valentine for the completing of basic training and Mike ? for outstanding service.**

**Water and sewer report – none.**

**Mayor Tripp presented some information about the meeting with TDAC. Mayor Tripp stated they are complying with everything they have set forth.**

**Motion was made by Jeff Ford to adjourn. Motion 2<sup>nd</sup> by Jonathon Tripp. MOTION PASSED**

**Mayor \_\_\_\_\_**

**Attested \_\_\_\_\_**

**Recorder \_\_\_\_\_**

