

Town of Alexandria Regular Scheduled Board Meeting
Wednesday, September 18, 2019, 6:00 pm

Attendance: Supervisor Brent Sweet, Councilman Mike Fayette, Councilman Ron Thomson, Councilman John Stine, Christina Stone on behalf of Attorney Bob Slye's Office, Hwy Supt Mike Tibbles. Absent: Councilman Jim VanCour, Town Clerk Jessy Hudon

Approval of minutes:

Motion by Councilman Mike Fayette to approve the meeting minutes for January 23, 2019, September 3, 2019 and September 4, 2019, **Seconded** by Supervisor Brent Sweet. Discussion, none. All in favor 4 ayes, zero nays. Absent, Councilman Jim VanCour. **Motion passed.** (10/17/19 correction made to change from 5 ayes to 4 ayes, Councilman VanCour absent)

Approval of bills: **Tabled** until Adjourned Monday, September 23, 2019 meeting.

Privilege of the Floor: Town employees mowing at Bonnie Castle Rec Center, Cardboard bailer at Transfer Site, ATV trail in Redwood.

Discussion: Furnace replacement at the Town office building, asked for 3 estimates, have received only 1, waiting on another from an individual that has worked on the furnaces in the building before.

Resolution the Town of Alexandria authorizes the Alexandria Town Court to apply for the JCAP Grant For the 2019/2020 grant cycle up to \$30,000 or the exact amount being requested.

Motion by Councilman Ron Thomson, **Seconded** by Councilman John Stine. Discussion, none. All those in favor 4 ayes, zero nays. Absent, Councilman Jim VanCour. **Motion passed.**

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Discussion: Date & time for Budget Workshop is Monday, September 23, 2019 at 5:00pm.

Discussion: Change tax collector status, opinion from Association of Towns is that it could be changed, also waiting on opinion from Attorney Slye.

Discussion: Bailey Settlement Rd reconstruction progress report given by Hwy Supt. Mike Tibbles

Discussion: Monies to pave 1 or 2 streets in Redwood, waiting on some figures from Nicole Milsap (book keeper) and waiting to see if some \$\$ left over from Bailey Settlement project. Supervisor Sweet gave his opinion on using some Community Enhancement money for permanent road improvements. Since then the Board has looked into it a little bit and we don't believe "we can" or "we should" use those monies. Verified correct by Board members.

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Discussion: Late fees for water and sewer are at 10% per quarter or 40% per year. Supervisor Sweet mentioned most businesses assess a 1.5% late fee. Per Councilman Mike Fayette this is in the ordinance and that would have to be changed. Supervisor Sweet advised just wanted public to be aware. Possible using the late fees from Redwood Sewer that were put in the "Revenue Side" where they shouldn't be to "pay back" the Fund balance money owed to it. Looking in to possibly changing the ordinance.

Discussion: Tax cap procedure. Process given by Christina Stone (Attorney Slye's office).

Motion to set a Public Hearing on October 16, 2019 at 5:55pm at the Town Municipal Office to pass Local Law No. 3 of 2019 to override the tax cap levy limit made by Councilman Mike Fayette, **Seconded** by Councilman Ron Thomson. Discussion, none. All in favor 4 ayes, zero nays. Absent, Councilman Jim VanCour. **Motion passed.**

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Water/Sewer Report: Unavailable, Jamie Papin and Jay Gascon are both on a job; unable to attend.

Town Youth Program Report: Special board meeting scheduled for Monday, September 23, 2019 at the adjourned meeting.

Town Clerk Report: unavailable, Town Clerk absent

Zoning Report: given

Highway Supt. Report: given

Discussion: 2018 Town Clerk & Tax Collector audit, still have to arrange with Jessy (Town Clerk)

Motion to approve Budget transfers made by Councilman Ron Thomson, **Seconded** by Councilman John Stine. Discussion, none. All in favor 4 ayes, zero nays. Absent Councilman Jim VanCour, **motion passed**.

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Discussion: Current rink opening and closing dates. Current opening date is October 25, 2019, tentatively closing the end of the first week of March 2020.

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Discussion: Authority to waive late fees

Motion for requests for waiving of late fees or adjustments come before the Town Board made by Councilman Ron Thomson, **Seconded** by Councilman John Stine. Discussion, none. All in favor 4 ayes, zero nays. Absent Councilman Jim VanCour. **Motion passed.**

Motion to deny the removal of late fee assessed to water & sewer account #136 purchased by Garlock Development Group at the Jefferson County tax auction made by Councilman Ron Thomson, **Seconded** by Councilman John Stine. Discussion, none. All in favor 4 ayes, zero nays. Absent Councilman Jim VanCour. **Motion passed.**

Discussion: Request to pay Comp time to employees, will work on actual language for employee handbook for next monthly board meeting.

Discussion: Mileage paid for banking and post office, in the past there have been several trips a day, sometime three, made to either the bank or post office.

Motion by Councilman Ron Thomson there will be no mileage paid for banking or post office runs, **Seconded** by Councilman John Stine. Discussion, none. All in favor 4 ayes, zero nays. Absent Councilman Jim VanCour. **Motion passed.**

Discussion: Current Recreation Center office duties; bill contracts, signage, collect monies. Duties are being left for Cheri and Nicole to handle duties, not the Town Clerk.

Discussion: Goose Bay dock and ramp; REDI funding \$455,000

Discussion: Cemetery meeting info given from 9/18/2019 meeting. Looking into a "Column Burial" similar to a mosoleum but made for urns, not caskets.

Discussion: Further discussion regarding the no mileage for banking and post office.

Discussion: Bonnie Castle Stables status and some ideas of imaging, what area will look like. Will also discuss further at the Monday, September 23, 2019 meeting and again on Thursday, September 26, 2019 at 4pm.

Motion to adjourn meeting until September 23, 2019 at 5pm made by Councilman Mike Fayette, **Seconded** by Councilman Ron Thomson. Discussion, none. All in favor 4 ayes, zero nays. Absent Councilman Jim VanCour. **Motion passed.**

Meeting adjourned at 7:34pm
Executive Session: None

Minutes written by Deputy Clerk Cheri L. Van Brocklin

