

Town of Alexandria Board Meeting
April 8,2020
5:00pm

Pledge of Allegiance

Present: Supervisor Brent Sweet, Councilman Ron Thomson, Councilman John Stine, Councilman Mike Fayette, Councilman Sandra Caputo and Attorney Bob Slye.

Approve Minutes – Tabled

Approval to pay bills: None

Privilege of the floor:

Supervisor read a letter from Stacey D: Thanked the board for their efforts to get the town back on track. She wrote about concerns about the Covid-19 and the impact it will have on the town economically. She voiced concerns on the Hwy department expenditures and gave brief comments to explain her opinion on saving money for the tax payers.

Marilynn Cannestra – expressed her gratitude for the mowing at the cemeteries, and stated that the company the town hired are doing a great job. She did let the town know that she is concerned on glass items being brought into the cemeteries.

Robert Rules Of Order: Robert Rules will be copied on the back all meeting agendas .

Monthly Meetings are now changed to the Fourth Wednesday of every month at 6pm starting April 22, 2020. Special meetings are held at 5pm.

Regular Board Meeting to be held on May 27th needs to be changed to May 26, 2020. Motion to change the board meeting to May 26 @ 6:pm was made by Councilman John Stine seconded by Councilman Sandy Caputo. Ayes 5 Nays 0. Motion Passed.

Supervisor stated that the town board room is available for live streaming to local groups and organizations and nonprofits if needed. Contact Supervisor for availability.

Sewer Plant: STAT communications installed a new camera system at the sewer plant. Board members have access to the whole system on their phones.

Redwood Water & Sewer late fee waiver request: The letter is a grievance explaining to the town board why they should be charged fewer edu's for their property. Town board has different opinions on the letter. The owners will be contacted and made aware of the proper procedure of filing a grievance form.

Discussion on Covid-19 effect on budget, revenues, sales tax.

Butterfield Lake docks repair estimates: Contractor states that if the town sandblasts and cleans the docks and applies two part epoxy and fill them with foam, they might last up to 20-23 years with the repairs above. (Docks are 23 yrs old). Quote for foam and labor: \$11,400

Motion to hire Clayton Contractor company to spray foam the docks at the quote \$11,400. Motion made by Councilman Mike Fayette second by Councilman Ron Thomson. Ayes 5 Nays 0.

Discussion on equipment insurance, replacement value vs, current value: Highway department equipment. Supervisor will send out the items list to review.

Clement Pricing for mowing remainder of cemeteries: \$20,000 to mow the cemeteries. Motion to hire Clements to mow the cemeteries. Motion made by Councilman John Stine second by Councilman Ron Thomson. Ayes 5 Nays 0. Motion Passed.

Discussion on EDR Contract for Streetscape: The town board discussed several items on the contract and contacted Tom from DANC to help answer questions. Motion to approve the EDR

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Contract for \$149,500 for the Streetscape. Motion made by Councilman Ron Thomson second by Councilman Sandy Caputo. Ayes 5 Nays 0. Motion Passed.

Committee person for Streetscape: Councilman Ron Thomson nominated Roger Reifensnyder and stated he would be an asset on that Committee. Important to have a business owner on the committee. – Tabled

Discussion on Transfer Site Increase Fees: Motion to increase the Transfer site Fees to Large bag(up to 55 gal bag) to \$6.00 dollars and small bag(up to 13 gal bag) \$3.00 dollars Motion made by Councilman Ron Thomson second by Councilman Sandy Caputo. Discussion: Councilman Mike Fayette stated that the board needs to decide what to use, stickers or bags. Ayes 5 Nays 0. Motion Passed.

Elected Town Clerk & Highway Superintendent change to appointed positions: Local Law process. Attorney Slye stated that three local laws will be prepared. Changing both elected Town Clerk and Highway Superintendent to appointed positions and remove tax collector duty from the Town Clerk.

Town Clerk collecting Taxes vs. Jefferson Cty collecting the taxes: The board will review the material sent to them in regards to cost, postage.

Town accounting RFP's pricing:

- 1) grossman st. armour: Hourly rates range from partner \$175 to Staff \$80
- 2)EFPR Group: \$10,000 for 10 months,
- 3)Bonadio: \$150 per hour
- 4) Bowers: Hourly rates: Senior staff \$125 / partner \$185

Motion to hire grossman st. armour for an accounting firm. Motion made by Councilman Ron Thomson second by Councilman John Stine. Ayes 5 Nays 0. Motion Passed.

Town Health Officer: Public Notice on Covid-19 : Safety

Health Insurance Policy: Notify laid off employee about Cobra

Property discussion: Procedures of hearing – tabled

Water district Ordinance changes: Motion to finalize and sign the changes to the ordinance and send to Comptroller. Motion by Councilman Sandy Caputo second Councilman Mike Fayette. Ayes 5 Nays 0. Motion Passed.

Bank CD: Motion to put \$300,000 dollars in a Bank CD at Watertown Savings Bank. Motion made by Councilman Ron Thomson second by Councilwoman Sandy Caputo. Ayes 5 Nays 0. Motion Passed.

Motion to adjourn. Motion made by Councilman Ron Thomson second by Councilman Sandy Caputo. Ayes 5 Nays 0. Motion Passed.

Board Meeting adjourned.

