Alexander City Council Minutes June 2, 2020

Council Meeting held via conference call due to Statewide Emergency COVID19 Pandemic. Mayor and Council attended in person with guests and/or public on conference call.

Mayor Schear opened the meeting at 6:25 PM.

Council Persons Present: Marie Carroll, Roy Arends, Kim Larsen, Christian Larsen. Also present Dee Schrodt and Jeannie Arends.

Approval of Agenda with addition of landfill report – Motion by Arends to approve, 2nd by Carroll. Roll call vote: Approved unanimously.

Minutes of May 5, 2020 meeting approved with Motion by Arends, 2nd by K Larsen. Roll call vote: Approved unanimously.

Motion by K Larsen to approve vouchers and pay bills, 2nd by Carroll. Roll call vote: Approved unanimously.

June Expenditures – AgSource Labs (water testing) \$25.50; Alliant Energy (electric/nat. gas) \$850.40; Hawkins, Inc. (water additives) \$501.27; IPERS (pensions) \$357.87; Holt & Sons Sanitation (2019 Clean up day) \$100.00; Koenen Lawn Care (herbicide spray) \$120.00; Storey Kenworthy (office supply) \$141.00; Aimee Miller (clerk) \$708.48; Christian Larsen (Maint/Wat Ass./Street/Council) \$491.65; Thomas Schear (Mayor) \$43.02; Trevis Murphy (Water super) \$556.82; Roy Arends (council) \$69.26; Kim Larsen (council) \$64.54; Marie Carroll (council) \$64.54; Nathan Draper (council) \$21.52.

Public Input – Jeannie Arends landfill report – Due to COVID they are closed on Saturdays, however have had increased volume and will be hiring an additional part-time employee, Director and a Board Member are retiring and have been replaced. Will be raising tonnage prices, hasn't been done in 20 years, not sure of amount or timing yet. Council discussed several residences that need to be cleaned up, would like clerk to send letters.

Library Report – Re-opened on Monday, June 1. Practicing social distancing, requiring patrons to use hand sanitizer in vestibule prior to entry. Limiting capacity to 10 people. Summer reading is still on hold, most entertainers are doing virtual shows. Director continues to work on new website.

Mayor Schear opened public hearing for FY20 Budget Amendment, no public input. Closed public hearing, re-opened regular meeting. Motion by Carroll to approve, 2nd by K Larsen. Roll call vote: Approved unanimously. Motion by Arends to waive 3rd reading, 2nd by K Larsen. Roll call: approved unanimously.

Estimate to put gutters on City Hall for \$1,100. Motion by Arends to accept, 2nd by C Larsen. RC: approved unanimously.

Lawn mowing - discussed town zoning, clerk will work with attorney on possible Ordinance.

Building requests – Uhlenhopp would like to build a garage – motion by C Larsen to approve, 2nd by Carroll. Approved. C Larsen plans to construct a fence at new residence, Arends plans on additional beautification on lot across from his home.

Mayor called each council member individually for any questions/concerns: C Larsen states the wooden play equipment at the park is deteriorating. Council gives him permission to have it removed if it becomes unsafe, will start looking into purchasing new equipment.

Motion by Carroll to adjourn, 2nd by K Larsen. Roll call vote: approved unanimously. Adjournment – 8:00 PM.

Next regular meeting of the council – July 7, 2020, 6:00 PM

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Respectfully Submitted, Aimee J Miller – City Clerk	(Mayor Signature)