

**New Alexandria Borough Council  
Minutes of August Meeting  
December 11th, 2024  
7:00PM**

Attending the meeting were the following:

Dan Dunmeyer	Henry R. Snyder (absent)	Wayne Duffield	Dennis Zdrojkowski
Bonnie Dunmeyer	Tim Ruane (absent)	Brian Cavanaugh	Carol Zdrojkowski

1. At 7:00PM Daniel Dunmeyer called the meeting to order, followed with the Pledge of Allegiance.

**2. Visitors Comment:**

No comment from the visitor in the audience. Wayne Duffield did mention that Mr. John Vince passed away. He mentioned that he thought Mr. Vince was on council at one time. He also mentioned the funeral arrangements.

**3.1 Mayor's Report:**

The Mayor, Mr. Ruane absent, but rec'd a text from the Mayor, Mr. Ruane after the meeting. He wanted to wish everyone a safe and happy Christmas and New Year. We as the borough are excited to get the new year started and look forward to all of our Improvement projects.

**3.2 President's Report:**

President Daniel Dunmeyer reported that we received the casino grant funds. Over \$200,00.00 but we need to do some paperwork to get the funds, and we will get that in order. We have three years to use the funds for street repairs. The president thanked the Activities Committee for the fine work in organizing the Light Up Night event. Wayne Duffield also commented that he was here for the event and said he never seen such a crowd in a long time and how well done it was.

**3.3. Code Enforcement Officer Report:**

No report currently. Tim Ruane absent

### **3.4 EMA Director Report**

No report the EMA Director absent. Dan Dunmeyer did mention on his behalf that we do have the Official Emergency Operation plan in place. We still need council signatures that are absent tonight.

### **3.5 Activities Report**

Carol Zdrojkowski reported that as stated above the Christmas Kick Off was a huge success. People were standing room only. The Dickens Carolers did a wonderful job in entertaining us and then Santa made his grand entrance. We had plenty of hot chocolate and cookies. The Activities Committee also wants to thank the Firemen for a grand job on the decorations and getting Santa here on time. Wayne Duffield mentioned that we need to look into a new flag out front since it is all tattered. Dennis is looking into it. That flag out there is a couple months old but the wind just tore it apart.

### **3.6 Maintenance Report**

Dennis Zdrojkowski reported that he will be ordering the flag, but it will not be put up till the decorations are down due to the lanyard being wrapped around the pole.

He also reported that all the snow removal equipment is now in working order and we had one day of salting the street so far.

The stop sign at the intersection of Washington and Gay Street had to be replaced. Someone literally took the entire sign after it was hit.

We have a recall on our zero-turn mower from John Deer. Someone will come to our garage and install the new part (the voltage regulator that charges the battery) at NO charge.

The emergency lighting is 90% done. We need to purchase a few more batteries for the lights. Dennis explained how the lightening powers up different areas and the lighting has changed in purchasing from regular to LEDS.

The bids came in for lawn care. One bid from My Lawn Care was double the amount as Matts Lawn Care. It was a two-part bid. One is for lawn care around the borough and then the other is doing onetime maintenance around the community center. Mulching, trimming the tree and bushes and pulling weeds. My Lawn Care bid was \$650.00 per cut. The one-time maintenance was \$790.00. Matts Landscape bid for mowing the borough was \$350.00 per cut and the one time fee was \$725. Dennis contacted other companies that were just not interested. Dennis makes a motion to accept Matts Lawn Care bids asking if council wants him to do both parts. Dan stated yes, both parts. Seconded by Bonnie Dunmeyer, all in favor-4-0, motion carried.

### 3.7 Rading and Approval of Minutes

Dan asked if council had time to read and approve of the minutes for November. Wayne Duffield made a motion to accept the minutes, seconded by Dennis Zdrojkowski. All in favor, 4-0, motion carried.

### 3.8 Treasurers Report:

Carol Zdrojkowski read the Treasurer's Report for November 2024. The Treasurer Report for periods November 1 through November 30, 2024

- General Fund: opening balance \$ 66,392.37
- Deposits \$ 17,250.86
- Bills Paid 11/1 – 11/30 \$ 16,281.60
- Capital Reserve/PLGIT \$ 2,490.85-\$1900.00 St Light  
Reimbursement July-November
- Liquid Fuels Fund/PLGIT \$ 59,290.58-\$574 St Lights December Bill.
- Closing Balance \$ 67,361.63

Bonnie Dunmeyer made a motion to accept the Treasurer's Report, seconded by Wayne Duffield, all in favor 4-0, motion carried.

### 3.9 Payment of Bills:

Carol Zdrojkowski read and presented bills for payment for the month of December 2024. Dennis Zdrojkowski made a motion to accept the bills, seconded by Wayne Duffield, all in favor, 4-0, motion carried.

### 4.0 Old Business

4.1 Opening for a Part Time code Enforcer. Still have not received any applicants. Two phone calls but no one sent in their application. We will have to continue to advertise. Any other suggestions from council will be opened for discussion

4.2 Approval of the 2025 Budget

4.3 Approval of the proposed Tax Increase

### 5.0 New Business

5.1 Official vote on the 2025 budget. Dennis Zdrojkowski made a motion to approve of the budget, seconded by Wayne Duffield, all in favor, 4-0 motion carried.

5.2 Official vote on the milage increase for 1 mill from 12 mills to 13 mills. Dennis Zdrojkowski made the motion to accept the milage increase, seconded by Bonnie Dunmeyer, all in favor, 4-0, motion carried.

**5.3** Vote on the 2025 Calendar, Wayne Duffield asked if there is anyone who seat is up at the end of next year. No one seemed to know that answer at the present time. We will have to investigate the matter.

Dan read that the New Alexandria Water board will meet on March 12th, 2025 and October 8<sup>th</sup>, 2025 at 6:30pm which is at the bottom of next year's calendar. Bonnie Dunmeyer made the motion to accept next year's calendar, seconded by Dennis Zdrojkowski, all in favor, 4-0, motion carried.

**5.4** Carol Zdrojkowski reminded everyone that there is the form everyone needs to fill out to be sent into Westmoreland County. They are to return it to the secretary to make a copy and send in the original. It must be submitted by January 11, 2025 regardless of whether your term is up or not.

#### **6.0 Adjournment**

Dennis Zdrojkowski made a motion to adjourn, second by Bonnie Dunmeyer, all in Favor, 4-0, motion carried. Daniel Dunmeyer adjourned the meeting at 7:18.

Respectfully submitted,  
Carol Zdrojkowski  
Secretary/Treasurer