

Alexander City Council Meeting Minutes

Monday July 20th, 2026

******* Public Hearing at 5:30pm*******

- a. Grant to remodel the community center
- b. Determining if the ACE funds will be available for Alexander AR city.
- c. There are Resolutions that are needed to be passed before we can get it
- d. Would love to use the funds for the community center redo (things like seniors, kids painting studio ect) (monthly food banks)
- e. Community center gets rented out allot

With no other comments, Public hearing meeting was adjourned at 5:53pm

Mayor called the meeting to order at 6:00pm

ROLL CALL: Council Members present were:

1. Wayne Smith
2. Joy Gray
3. Chris Prowse
4. Daniel Bates
5. Amy Lyons (came in late)
6. Angela Griffen
7. Joe Pollard

Members not present: Juanita Wilson

Mayor Crystal Herrmann declared a quorum present. (6/8)

Others in attendance: Mayor Crystal Herrmann, Treasurer Jennifer Hill, Police Chief and Fire Chief Ryan McCormick, Attorney Madison, Officer Dodson

June City Council Minutes- Chris motioned to approve city council mins, Joy seconded the motion, all in favor by yea vote (6/8)

DEPARTMENTAL REPORTS:

- 1. PLANNING COMMISSION-**

- a. Mr. Montoya- Regarding/Variance discussion- have not moved forward with it- leveled lot- brought over 60 loads to fill the areas where the drainage was going
- b. Over 6ft deep- if they did do something before this, it would have flooded due to the drainage
- c. He is asking council for a mobile home instead of a house like talked about previously (had the land split) lot 95 RB mobile home
- d. Madison asked that he bring a letter stating what he wants to the council about what kind of variance he wants so it does stick and the council can look over it to see if they can grant him his request and make it legal.
- e. Council isn't ready to vote right now until proposal is written up

2. STREETS & PARKS

- a. Structural repairs are done with the pond, with the heat it has been a little slower than normal
- b. Parts are on stand by for the park but should be on the way soon

3. POLICE DEPARTMENT

- a. Eventful time the last few weeks- (more info coming)
- b. 111 calls of service
- c. 16 code enforcement entries
- d. One officer had a accident- minor wrist injury responding to a accident- landed on side, and clipped semi/ landed on side
- e. Will be participating in a high-speed training at camp Robinson

4. FIRE DEPARTMENT

- a. 71 incidents- help back from different cities
- b. Medical training- July 4th celebration was huge
- c. Smoke detectors/fire alarms redone if needed

5. FINANCIAL REPORT

- a. The reports- Jen made another sheet for each month to show how they are broke down- budget talks are coming really soon
- b. **Joy motions to accept the financial report, Amy seconds the motion, all in favor with yea vote (7/8) report accepted**

6. MAYOR'S REPORT/ STATE OF THE CITY ADDRESS

- a. Last month was busy- on gong things for saint Joseph Glenn- sewer connection
- b. Animal control meeting- Chief Preator/Mayor/Madison, looking for possible commitment to help one another (an agreement) to utilize a building, costs for it (all helping one another)
- c. Was not awarded the Brownfield grant- was a very competitive year- was a federal grant
- d. May have to look at hospital and look at cleaning it up in phases- financial plan- maybe more town meetings- more options? More costs?
- e. Flood study is complete- once report is done, will be presented to council

OLD BUSINESS- None

NEW BUSINESS:

- a. **Ordinance to sell 2018 Mahinda Tractor**

- i. Opinion was to sell the tractor- Mayor is asking
 - ii. Joy moves to suspend rules, read by title only (roll call 7/8)
 - iii. Joy moves to approve the city Ordinance to sell the 2018 Mahinda Tractor, Amy seconds the motion- Ordinance 2026-04 accepted
- b. A Resolution approving the User Agreement with AR Factor Boxing Club for the use of the Community Center Activities Building- User Agreement is attached
 - i. Amy motions to accept the AFBC, Angela seconds the motion, All in favor with yea vote (7/8) Resolution no. 2026-08 accepted
- c. A Resolution applying for CDBG grant funds for the Community Center renovation (public meeting prior was about this)
 - i. Chris motions to accept the funding to renovate the Community Center, Joy seconds the motion- All in favor with yea vote (7/8) Resolution 2026-09 accepted
- d. A Resolution authorizing CAPDD to be the grant writers for the CDBG Grant
- e. Kent Property Discussion/Need to accept bid- Public Sale was from 6/8-6/26 2026- Live Bid Opening was held on July 6th at 1pm
 - i. Following bids are attached:
 - 1. Manual Beza \$18500.00
 - 2. Joaquin Alvarado \$9000.00
 - 3. Teresa Canchola \$25100.00
 - ii. Joy moves for Teresa Canchola to be chosen to win the bid, Angela seconds the motion- all in favor with yea vote- (7/8)
- f. Usage of City Building discussion
- g. Resolution amending the 2026 Budget-
 - i. Chris motions to accept the 2026 budget, Amy seconds the motion- All in favor to amend the budget with yea vote- Resolution 2026-11 accepted

Announcements

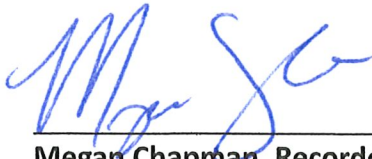
- a. Back to school blast is July 25th 2026 5pm-8pm at the community center
 - i. All kinds of supplies- haircuts are available for back to school

Public Comments-

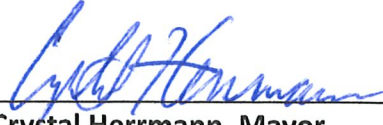
- a. Ms. Prowse- Is the Tractor sale going to be posted on Facebook or no?
 - a. Mayor mentioned that she is still deciding on that
- b. What happens to members on the council if they are in legal trouble?
 - a. No one can be removed from the council without laws
- c. Ivy Dennis- animal control- Dog damage- totaled cars- had 23 reports of dogs- causing trouble, breaking into fences, killing animals- there needs to be something done with this and she is hoping that this animal control proposal helps with that.

Respectfully Submitted,

With there being no further comments or questions, Joy motioned to adjourn. Chris seconded the motion. Motion to adjourn was passed by yea vote. Meeting adjourned at 7:37pm



Megan Chapman, Recorder



Crystal Herrmann, Mayor

