Town of Alexandria

Special Called Meeting Minutes March 20, 2025

The mayor and board of alderman met for a special called meeting on March 20, 2025 at 7 p.m. The meeting was held in the conference room of the Alexandria Town Hall, DeKalb County, Tennessee.

The board members in attendance were Mayor Beth Tripp, Bobby Simpson, Luke Prichard, Jonathon Tripp, Tiffany Robinson, Jeff Ford and Sherry Tubbs.

Prayer and Pledge was led by town attorney, Matt Boss.

Quorum was established.

The purpose of this special called meeting was a disciplinary action meeting for Police Chief Kenneth D Smith.

Mayor Tripp began the meeting by stating there is no resident input in special called meetings. Mayor Tripp instructed the board to go through the packet that was presented to them on the reason she suspended K.D. Mayor Tripp gave K.D the option to speak.

K.D. addressed the board stating that the mayors allegations in the reprimand that was given to K.D March 13th 2025 was without merit and lack any supporting documents. K.D. stated "Tennessee Code Annotated Title 38 Senate Bill 647 lays out the due process procedures for law enforcement." K.D. stated he filed a grievance with the city concerning his reprimand. K.D. requested that the city follow TCA Title 38's due process rights for a police officer. K.D. also requested that his hearing be dismissed and that he be reinstated to full active duty.

Alderman Jeff Ford questioned the mayor about why the complaints regarding the police chief had not been brought before the board until now. Alderman Sherry Tubbs questioned receipts for oil changes and tires for police vehicles provided to the alderman.

Mayor Tripp asked for any motions. Alderman Jeff Ford made a motion to dismiss the meeting. No 2nd motion. MOTION FAIL.

Motion was made by Luke Prichard to remove K.D. Smith as chief of police. Bobby Simpson 2^{nd} motion.

Luke Prichard – Yes Bobby Simpson – Yes Tiffany Robinson – Yes Jonathon Tripp – Yes Sherry Tubbs – No Jeff Ford – No

Motion to remove K.D. Smith as police chief PASSES.

Motion was made by Bobby Simpson to adjourn. Motion was 2nd by Luke Prichard. Motion PASSED.

Attested _____

Recorder _____