CITY COUNCIL MEETING
Minutes of June 16, 2011

The Alexandria City Council met on the above date at 7:00 p.m. with Mayor William T. Rachford, Jr. present and the following members answering roll call:

Council Members:

- Barbara Weber Present
- Stacey Graus Present
- Scott Fleckinger Present
- Bob Simon Present
- Dave Hart Present
- Joe Anderson Present

Also present:

- Jan Johannemann Asst. City Clerk
- Mike Ward Police Chief
- Mike Duncan City Attorney
- Ellis Lang Ethics Board
- John Jewell P&Z Chairman
- Ron Johnson P&Z
- Gail Jewell Ethics Board

Mayor Rachford led the pledge to the flag. Stacey Graus read the invocation.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

June 2, 2011 Meeting

MOTION: Barbara Weber made a motion to approve the minutes of the June 2nd meeting, seconded by Scott Fleckinger. All in favor, the motion passed 6-0-0.

VISITORS & GUESTS:

None

ORDINANCES & RESOLUTIONS:

Mike Duncan read the following:

Second Reading:

ORDINANCE #2011-04: An ordinance of the City of Alexandria adopting the annual budget for the fiscal year July 1, 2011 through June 30, 2012, by estimating revenues and resources and appropriating funds for the operation of the city government.

Mr. Duncan explained the ordinance adopts the city's budget for the 2011-12 fiscal year. The general fund budget appropriates $3,822,350 for expenses which will be funded with a combination of anticipated revenues and carry-over funds from the fiscal year 2010-11. The number is down from the first reading of the ordinance, but the percentage of the total is not substantial enough to require an additional first reading.

MOTION: Barbara Weber made a motion to adopt Ordinance #2011-04, seconded by Bob Simon.

Stacey Graus hopes the economy improves over the next year, but it looks like over the course of the next year we will probably need to take a look at a few things that will put the City in a better financial position.

The motion was then brought up for a vote: Dave Hart – Yes; Bob Simon – Yes; Scott Fleckinger – Yes; Barbara Weber – Yes; Joe Anderson – No; Stacey Graus – Yes. The motion passed 5-1-0.
ORDINANCE #2011-05: An ordinance of the City of Alexandria amending Ordinance #2010-08, the city's budget for fiscal year 2010-2011 by transferring funds to and among the various budget accounts according to attached Exhibit A, in order to end the fiscal year in balance.

Mr. Duncan explained this ordinance amends the city's budget for the 2010-11 fiscal year by transferring the sum of $97,984.21 within the various budget accounts.

MOTION: Dave Hart made the motion to adopt Ordinance #2011-05, seconded by Scott Fleckinger. All in favor, the motion passed 6-0-0.

EXECUTIVE ORDER #2011-03: An Executive Order of the Mayor of the City of Alexandria promulgating the revisions to the Personnel Policy for the City of Alexandria.

Mr. Duncan then read the rest of the Executive Order. The attachment to the Executive Order reflects revisions that the committee created and the Mayor agreed to. In 2007, council adopted the procedure for adopting personnel policies and other administrative regulations pursuant to KRS 83A.130. The Mayor creates the revisions and they become effective unless council elects to override them or reject them.

Mayor Rachford said these are changes to employee benefits – health insurance, HRA, dental plan, long-term disability, flexible spending accounts, vision care, and sick days.

Dave Hart requested that the wording in Item 1(B) on the attachment be changed to read "the difference can be budgeted and funded out of the FSA plan".

Mr. Duncan explained if council wants to put closure to this, then it should be put to a vote. If not, it would be open and council would have the right to override it or reject it in the future.

MOTION: Scott Fleckinger made a motion to accept Executive Order #2011-03, with the revision to the wording on Section 1(B), seconded by Stacey Graus. All in favor, the motion passed 6-0-0.

DEPARTMENT REPORTS:

Police Department: None

Zoning Administrator: See attached report

Public Works: See attached report

Planning & Zoning Department: None

Beautification Committee: Bob reported the planting on Washington Street is complete thanks to Rebecca Reese and Barb Weber. Bob mulched the beds and pulled weeds.

Annexation Committee: Stacey reported the committee met tonight. They would like to do a notice of intent to annex and asked Mike Duncan to prepare an ordinance to this effect.

Personnel Committee: Joe said there will be a meeting on July 21st at 6:00 p.m.

OLD BUSINESS:

Review and awarding street bids: Mayor Rachford asked for approval of the two street bids that were opened recently. CDS recommends that the Alexandria 2011 Street Repairs/Resurfacing be awarded to Paul Michaels & Son, and the Aaron Drive Reconstruction be awarded to JPS Construction.
MOTION: Scott Fleckinger made a motion to award the bid for the Aaron Drive Reconstruction to JPS Construction for $94,983.50, seconded by Dave Hart. All in favor, the motion passed 6-0-0.

MOTION: Stacey Graus made a motion to award the bid for the 2011 Street Repairs/Resurfacing to Paul Michaels & Son for $139,618.25, seconded by Bob Simon. The streets included in the 2011 Street Repairs/Resurfacing are Stonagate, Blue Rock, Bittersweet, Fernwood, and Orlando. All in favor, the motion passed 6-0-0.

NEW BUSINESS:
None

COMMUNICATIONS:
Mike Ward reported that because of the storm damage, the access control system to the doors in the building is not working, and will be replaced his weekend. Anyone with access cards may not be able to get into the building this weekend. He is hoping everyone’s existing cards will work with the new system, but won't know for sure until it is installed.

Mr. Duncan then had the first reading of the following:

ORDINANCE #2011-06: An Ordinance of the City of Alexandria expressing the City’s intent to annex a parcel of real estate located at the northwest corner of the AA Highway and the AA Connector, (KY 709 and KY 9), all according to KRS 81A.

Mayor Rachford reminded council members that they should submit a brief article to be posted on the website.

The Mayor received communication from the Federation of American Coal Energy and Security (FACES of Coal), which is a non-profit organization to build support for the coal industry in Kentucky. He appealed to anyone who would be interested to contact the city building to obtain a form to complete in support of this cause. Mayor Rachford also asked Mr. Duncan to draft a resolution to this effect for Council to adopt at the next meeting.

ADJOURNMENT:

MOTION: Scott Fleckinger made a motion to adjourn, seconded by Dave Hart. All in favor, the motion passed with a 6-0-0 vote. Meeting adjourned at 7:29 p.m.

Karen M. Barto
City Clerk/Treasurer

Date: 7/18/2011

Approved: 7/17/2011

William T. Rachford, Jr.
Mayor

Date: 7/18/2011