CITY COUNCIL MEETING
Minutes of September 15, 2011

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

Council Members:
Barbara Weber Present
Stacey Graus Present
Joe Anderson Present
Bob Simon Present
Dave Hart Present
Scott Fleckinger Present

Also present:
Karen Barto City Clerk/Treasurer
Mike Duncan City Attorney
Mike Ward Police Chief
Jeff Pohlman Fire Chief
John Jewell
Ellis Lang
Gail Jewell
P&Z Chairman
Ethics Board
Ethics Board

Mayor Rachford led the pledge to the flag. Barbara Weber read the invocation.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

September 1, 2011

Dave Hart corrected a word in the motion made by Bob Simon from "adopt" to "accept" regarding the five year plan from CDS.

MOTION: Barbara Weber made a motion to approve the minutes of the September 1, 2011 meeting with one correction, seconded by Dave Hart. All in favor, the motion passed 6-0-0.

VISITORS & GUESTS:
None

ORDINANCES & RESOLUTIONS:

Mike Duncan read the following:
Second Reading:

ORDINANCE #2011-08. An Ordinance of the City of Alexandria amending Ordinance #2011-04, the city’s budget for fiscal year 2011-12 by making a calculation correction in the Public Works Fund, and by recognizing a transfer of monies to the Park & Recreation General Fund

MOTION: Scott Fleckinger made a motion to adopt Ordinance #2011-08, seconded by Dave Hart. All in favor, the motion passed 6-0-0.

RESOLUTION #2011-04. A Resolution of the City of Alexandria adopting the Campbell County Emergency Operations planning guide as prepared by the C.C. Emergency Management Office.

MOTION: Stacey Graus made a motion to adopt Resolution #2011-04, seconded by Bob Simon. All in favor, the motion passed 6-0-0.

DEPARTMENT REPORTS:

City Clerk: Karen Barto reported that the Assistant City Clerk, Jan, had some minor surgery. It went well and she’ll be back in two weeks.
Police Department: Chief Ward requested that everyone sign up for the Nixle alerts. There is a link on the right hand side of our home page. It is an excellent source for emergency communication.

Joe Anderson agrees it is a great program. Scott Fleckinger mentioned Nixle alert regarding the thefts in the area. Chief Ward said they’re targeting garages, unlocked sheds and cars, and copper so lock it up.

Public Works: Everyone should have a copy of Sam’s report. It’s a list of the streets that have been and are being worked on.

Dave Hart said the front porch and steps look very nice since they’ve been refinished.

Zoning Report: The Mayor said everyone has a copy of Carol’s report. If you have any questions, see or call Carol.

Fire Department: None

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Public Works Committee: Dave Hart had nothing to report.

Beautification Committee: Bob Simon said he will be cleaning up the planting areas soon. After that, there is nothing going on until spring.

Finance Committee: Scott Fleckinger reported they had a Finance Committee meeting before the Council meeting. They looked at restructuring the occupational license fee. Karen will get some info out to Council via email as to what some other cities are doing instead of our flat fee.

Safety Committee: Barbara Weber said there was nothing going on.

Personnel Committee: Joe Anderson would like to have a Personnel Committee meeting before the next Council meeting on October 6.

Annexation Committee: Stacey had a meeting tonight to discuss the pending annexation of the property on the AA highway and connector road and potential annexation of properties in the southwest corridor of US 27, farther southwest corner of the City.

Planning and Zoning: John Jewell - nothing to report.

OLD BUSINESS:

Stacey Graus said the new parking on Jefferson St. is working great, except for one issue. If you are turning right out of Jefferson onto Main, there is one vehicle that parks on Main every day and the sight line is reduced because of this vehicle. Mike Ward said he will look into that tomorrow.

NEW BUSINESS:

Ron Allari introduced himself and Steve Weber to Council and thanked Council for all the support they have given him. He is an accredited service officer with the VA. He has used the Community Center for five years and it has been such a help to him to be able to work in such a great environment and thanked the City for its use. Recently, Steve Weber volunteered to help out. They provide service for any veteran, surviving spouse or dependent that needs assistance filing claims, getting into VA medical care, working with the Dept. of Defense with anything they need assistance in. They work through the regional office in Louisville. In three years they have realized a return to the veterans in the Tri-County area of about two and a half million dollars. Ron and Steve are both volunteers. There are job postings on the bulletin board upstairs at the Veteran’s office.
Ron also mentioned he is involved in the Honor Flight. It is a trip to Washington D.C. which is free to WWII and other veterans. Escorts may also go but they have to pay $350.00.

Ron also stated the Masonic Lodge here in Alexandria is having a benefit for Cason Schrock on October 15 from noon to 7:00 p.m.

Mayor Rachford thanked Ron and Steve for all their hard work for the Veterans.

COMMUNICATIONS –
- The Mayor again announced the Halloween hours are on October 31 from 6 to 8 p.m.
- Saturday, October 1 is Coffee with the Mayor from 10:00 – Noon.
- The Campbell County Clean Up will be November 4, 5 & 6.
- Our Park & Recreation Board is holding the annual Haunted Halloween Walk at the Alexandria Community Park on Saturday, October 22.

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 7:40 p.m.

Karen M. Barto
City Clerk/Treasurer

Date: 10-07-2011

Approved: 10-06-2011

William T. Rachford, Jr.
Mayor

Date: 10-06-2011