



**CITY COUNCIL MEETING
Minutes of February 2, 2012**

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	Bob Simon	Present
Stacey Graus	Present	Dave Hart	Present
Joe Anderson	Present	Scott Fleckinger	Absent

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Also present:

Karen Barto	City Clerk	John Jewell	P&Z
Mike Ward	Police Chief	Gail Jewell	Ethics Board
Mike Duncan	City Attorney	Ellis Lang	Ethics Board

Mayor Rachford led the pledge to the flag. Joe Anderson read the invocation.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

January 19, 2012

MOTION: Barbara Weber made a motion to approve the minutes of the January 19, 2012 meeting, seconded by Stacey Graus. All in favor, the motion passed 5-0-0.

VISITORS & GUESTS:

Charlie Coleman, 10 Stonegate: He wanted to know how the police merger study got started. Mayor Rachford said he received a phone call from Judge Pendery approximately 4-5 months ago, and then met with him and Mr. Painter. The Mayor thought it made sense to at least investigate it. Mr. Coleman then brought up a recent quote by the Mayor regarding the unsustainable pension system in Kentucky and asked how the taxpayers of Alexandria would sustain taking on the county police department.

Chief Ward said the city would be responsible for a portion of the pension expense as would the county. How this would pan out in the long run has yet to be worked out.

Mr. Coleman believes it would benefit the county much more than the city, and if it's not broke, don't fix it. He wonders what would be the benefit for Alexandria taxpayers either way.

Mayor Rachford is anxious to see the feedback from the surveys. He has heard there have been about 400 responses to the survey so far. There have also been interviews conducted and a lot of data to gather, and the Mayor won't be able to answer Mr. Coleman's question until this is done. Ms. Weber added there will be town hall meetings to get additional opinions and urged everyone to attend and be proactive.

ORDINANCES & RESOLUTIONS:

None

DEPARTMENT REPORTS:

City Clerk: None

Police Department: None

Public Works: Dave Hart reported the committee met this evening. Sam Trapp has met with CDS on the 2012 projects and is on schedule for the March bidding.

Zoning: None

Fire Department: None

Beautification Committee: The committee held their first meeting of the year this evening. They discussed what they were going to try to do this year. They also applied for a grant through the Campbell County Conservation District. Bulbs were planted last year in the beds along Washington Street, so look for plants to sprout soon.

OLD BUSINESS:

None

NEW BUSINESS:

None

COMMUNICATIONS :

If you have not yet completed the on-line survey for the police merger, please do so before February 6th.

There will be a weather spotter's training class held on March 26th from 6:30-9:00 p.m. Please contact Bill Turner at Emergency Management (859-635-1111) if you are interested.

ADJOURNMENT:

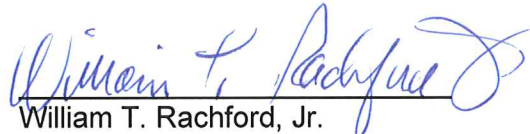
MOTION: Barbara Weber made a motion to adjourn, seconded by Dave Hart. All in favor, the motion passed with a 5-0-0 vote. Meeting adjourned at 7:09 p.m.



Karen M. Barto
City Clerk/Treasurer

Date: 02/16/2012

Approved: 02/16/2012



William T. Rachford, Jr.
Mayor

Date: 2/16/2012

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