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

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

Also present:
Karen Barto  City Clerk/Treasurer  Dan Hunt  City Attorney
Mike Ward  Police Chief  Gail Jewell  Ethics Board
Ron Johnson  P&Z  Scott Davenport  Code Enf

Mayor Rachford led the pledge to the flag. Scott Fleckinger read the invocation.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:
March 1, 2012
MOTION: Dave Hart made a motion to approve the minutes of the March 1, 2012 meeting, seconded by Scott Fleckinger. All in favor, the motion passed 4-0-1, with Stacey Graus abstaining.

VISITORS & GUESTS:
None

ORDINANCES & RESOLUTIONS:
Dan Hunt read the following:

PROCLAMATION-Brain Injury Awareness Day (March 14, 2012)

MOTION: Scott Fleckinger made a motion to approve the Brain Injury Awareness Day Proclamation, seconded by Barbara Weber. All in favor, the motion passed 5-0-0.

First reading:

ORDINANCE #2012-03 – An Ordinance of the City of Alexandria adopting the 2011-S-13 Supplement to the City of Alexandria Code of Ordinances as prepared by the American Legal Publishing Corporation.

DEPARTMENT REPORTS:

City Clerk: None

Police Department: Chief Ward reported that Sgt. Mathews completed a five week program and graduated from the Criminal Justice Executive Development Course last week.

Last week Chief Ward was deployed to the Morehead Regional Emergency Coordination Center to support the emergency management efforts in the eastern part of the state that was hit hard by the tornadoes. He thanked the Sandy and others at the Care Mission in Alexandria for helping to provide the supplies to Magoffin and Morgan Counties.
Chief Ward attended a meeting with Judge Thomas and the Northern Kentucky Regional Mental Health Court Board to help develop a program with the V.A. to assist veterans who have suffered from traumatic brain injuries and post-traumatic stress disorders. This program will help the V.A. get them the resources for substance abuse and mental health care that they need. Also, Officer Jackson works with the Crisis Intervention Team, and deals with veterans in an attempt to work with them before their mental health issues elevate to a level where they become criminals.

Alexandria Police Officer Tara Ruschell will be meeting with the NKADD to partner with them on aging and disability services. Some of the new VIP’s that have just graduated are interested in working with Tara on this program.

Mayor Rachford announced that the city has hired a new Code Enforcement Officer, Scott Davenport, who started working this week.

Also, the Mayor said that Campbell County has been added to the Presidential Disaster Declaration as of March 9th. For those who may qualify for FEMA and emergency loans, please call 800-621-3362, or go to www.disasterassistance.gov.

**Public Works:** See attached report

**Zoning:** See attached report

**Public Works Committee:** Dave Hart said there is a meeting at 6:00 on April 5th after the bids are in.

**Fire Department:** In Chief Pohlman’s absence, Chief Ward said the Fire Department was very instrumental in using their rescue equipment in Piner and Southern Campbell/Northern Pendleton Counties. They did a great job as well as all of the other firemen in the area.

**Finance Committee:** Scott said they are working on the budget and will report shortly.

**Beautification Committee:** Barb Weber said Bob Simon is at a meeting receiving a $500 grant check. Also, just today they were notified that they were awarded another $1,000 grant from the Campbell County Cooperative Extension Office. Bob Simon wrote both grants.

**Personnel Committee:** Joe Anderson said there is a meeting scheduled for April 19th at 6:00 p.m.

**Annexation Committee:** Stacey Graus reported there was a meeting tonight with discussions regarding bringing the new fire station on Persimmon Grove into the city. Also discussed were various properties they would like to go after aggressively during the next couple of months.

**OLD BUSINESS:**

None

**NEW BUSINESS:**

Mayor Rachford recognized the St. Mary’s 8th Grade Girls Basketball Team as Diocesan Champions.

**COMMUNICATIONS:**

- City Officials Academy is on April 26 and 27 in Louisville. Most of the council members will attend.
- Campbell County Spring Cleanup is March 30, 31 from 8am-5pm and April 1 from 8am-4pm.
- Campbell County Shred Day is Saturday, April 28th from 9am-12pm at the DAV in Cold Spring.
Mayor Rachford gave an update on the Christmas In Alexandria venture that will be held the entire month of December. If interested in getting involved, please call the Mayor.

Alexandria Night at Florence Freedom will be held on Tuesday, June 5. Normal $10 tickets are discounted to $8 for this event. Florence Freedom will also donate $3 per ticket to a charity of the City's choosing. The Casen Schrock benefit was chosen. The Mayor encouraged everyone to try to make this ball game. Tickets for the game may be ordered through Florence Freedom's website.

On Saturday, March 31st at 11:00 a.m. is the Easter Egg Hunt at the Community Park.

**ADJOURNMENT:**

**MOTION:** Stacey Graus made a motion to adjourn, seconded by Scott Fleckinger. All in favor, the motion passed with a 5-0-0 vote. Meeting adjourned at 7:35 p.m.

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William T. Rachford, Jr.
Mayor

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Karen M. Barto
City Clerk/Treasurer

Approved: April 5, 2012