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 Absent
Stacey Graus Absent
Joe Anderson Present

Bob Simon Present
Dave Hart Present
Scott Fleckinger Present

Also present:

Susie Clark Adm. Clerk
Mike Ward Police Chief
Gail Jewell Ethics Board
Ellis Lang Ethics Board

Mike Duncan City Attorney
John Jewell P&Z Chairman
Ron Johnson P&Z

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

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:
April 5, 2012

MOTION: Scott Fleckinger made a motion to approve the minutes of the April 5, 2012 meeting, seconded by Bob Simon. All in favor, the motion passed 4-0-0.

VISITORS & GUESTS:
1. Campbell County 2012 Campbell County High School Wrestling Team (State Champions): Mayor Rachford congratulated Coach Mike Bankemer, his staff, and the wrestlers for a job well done. He then presented each with a Certificate of Appreciation.

2. Dr. Mark Farley, Farley Orthodontics, 7963 Alexandria Pike: Mayor Rachford recognized his effort in beautifying the city by making changes to the grounds and building at the above address, and presented Dr. Farley with a Beautification Award from the City of Alexandria.

ORDINANCES & RESOLUTIONS:
None

DEPARTMENT REPORTS:
City Clerk: None

Police Department: None

Fire Department: None

Public Works: Normally Sam would have a report, but due to a death in the family and having jury duty, he was unable to prepare one for this month.

Zoning Report: See attached.

Dave Hart asked if the Mayor has heard anything more about the smoke at the Arcadia Development site. Mayor Rachford said in the past couple of weeks there have not been any more complaints or calls. Carol Hofstetter spoke with Drees, and the problem apparently was corrected. Joe Anderson said as of March 8th, the residents on Viewpoint had a lot of ash on vehicles and smoke, but since then it has been controlled.

Beautification Committee: Bob Simon said the tulips on Washington Street are finished blooming, so within the next 2-3 weeks flowers will be planted.
Finance Committee: Scott Fleckinger said the next meeting is scheduled for May 2nd at 6:00 p.m.

Personnel Committee: Joe Anderson said there was a meeting prior to the council meeting. The next regular meeting is scheduled for July 19th at 6:00 p.m.

OLD BUSINESS:
None

NEW BUSINESS:
None

COMMUNICATIONS:
- Campbell County Shred Day is Saturday, April 26th from 9am-Noon at the DAV in Cold Spring.
- The Mayor gave an update on Christmas in Alexandria plans. If anyone is interested in volunteering or sponsoring, please call the Mayor.
- Alexandria Night at Florence Freedom will be held on Tuesday, June 5th. If you purchase your ticket through the City website, you will receive a $2 discount, and $3 per ticket will go to the Casen Schrock Family.
- Approximately 174 children attended the Easter Egg Hunt this year. The City spent $211, which breaks down to about $1.20 per child. Many items were donated.

ADDITIONAL VISITOR:

Andy Schabell, 1176 Summerlake Drive: He attended the March 1 council meeting to discuss the P&Z Commission and the way that the Dollar General Store was handled. He had asked the Mayor to look into seeing if the citizens had a voice in that process and was here to follow up.

Mayor Rachford said the process followed was per KRS regulations, and the citizens have opportunity to make public input any time there is a public hearing, which is designed to gather evidence and input. A public hearing took place 4-5 years ago, when it was zoned Highway Commercial.

The next time this happens Mr. Schabell wants to know what can be done to make sure the citizens are allowed to give public input. He understands the state regulations, but wants the city to add something to this in order to allow citizens to send in e-mails or speak at a meeting, just something to make sure that the citizens don't get shut out solely on the discretion of the commission.

Also, Mr. Schabell said the first weekend that Dollar General opened in mid-February, he complained that the lights in front of the building were shining directly over top of the building and onto the first three houses behind the store. Carol Hofstetter told him she was addressing, but nothing has been done. He thinks it's been long enough for Dollar General to take care of the lighting problem. He did the research, and discovered that this issue is against the zoning ordinance, and a couple of people approached him to take this issue to council. Mayor Rachford said he will discuss this with Carol.

ADJOURNMENT:

MOTION: Scott Fleckinger made a motion to adjourn, seconded by Dave Hart. All in favor, the motion passed with a 4-0-0 vote. Meeting adjourned at 7:25 p.m.

Karen M. Barto
City Clerk/Treasurer

Date: 04/24/2012

Approved: 5-03-2012

William T. Rachford, Jr.
Mayor

Date: 5/3/2012