The Alexandria City Council met on the above date at 7:00 p.m. Mayor William Rachford was present with 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  Absent

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

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

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: October 4, 2012

MOTION: Barb Weber made a motion to approve the minutes of the October 4, 2012 meeting, seconded by Stacey Graus. All in favor, the motion passed 5-0-0.

VISITORS & GUESTS:
None

ORDINANCES & RESOLUTIONS:

Mr. Duncan read the following:
First Reading:

ORDINANCE #2012-08 – An Ordinance of the City of Alexandria adopting a zoning map amendment to the Alexandria Zoning Map for the Fischer Property consisting of 13.05 acres from County Residential (R-1C) to City Residential (R-1D) so that the entire Fischer property is zoned one classification and which would allow for development of the property according to the submitted Development Plan for Whistler’s Pointe Subdivision.

Mr. Duncan explained that the ordinance incorporates by reference the Development Plan that is Exhibit A. Exhibit B is the part of the map that shows the property currently zoned R-1C. Exhibit C is the Planning Commission’s recommendation after the public hearing that was held on Tuesday.

Mr. Duncan then read the following:

PROCLAMATION – “Win the War Against Violence, The 2012 Ten Percent Challenge”

MOTION: Stacey Graus made a motion to approve the Proclamation, seconded by Joe Anderson. All in favor, the motion passed 5-0-0.

DEPARTMENT REPORTS:

City Clerk: Due date for tax bills is October 31st.
Police Department: Chief Ward announced two new part-time police officers were hired this month - Neal Gilreath and Bobby Wince. They will be introduced at the next council meeting. Also, James Brown graduated from the Ky Criminalistics Academy, and moved to the Detective position.

Officer Ruschell is heading the Senior Program. The goal is to identify seniors in the community that are shut-ins and have specific medical needs and people with special needs. During power outages, ice storms, etc. the PD and Fire Department will have a database of the individuals needing assistance.

Nixle has over 1,000 users registered in the city, and Chief Ward urged everyone to subscribe to the program. It is the PD’s primary way of getting immediate information to the public for burglaries, etc.

Chief Ward attended the Northern Kentucky Chief’s meeting where heroin overdoses were discussed. Records show there were 12 known overdoses of heroin in Alexandria, and local hospitals treat an average of 4 overdoses a day from Campbell County. Heroin has always been a problem in Campbell County because of the close proximity to Downtown. Cincinnati has done a good job controlling the problem, but now dealers have moved across the river into Kentucky. Heroin is cheaper than pain medicine and more available. Chief Ward also commended the Alexandria Fire Department/Life Squad. They have saved at least 12 individuals who have overdosed on heroin or other drugs.

Public Works: See report attached. Stacey Graus thinks we are getting the most bang for our buck with the investments we have made in the equipment, know-how, and being able to allocate and determine the priorities of the City.

Zoning: See report attached. John Jewell retracted his announcement at the Planning & Zoning meeting this past Tuesday that the City Building would be closed because of Election Day. The offices will be open on November 6th.

Fire Department: None

Safety Committee: Barb Weber said they are working on creating acceptable language for the policy and procedure manual for speed calming devices and it would be finalized very soon. Dave Hart had given everyone a copy of what is currently in the Officer’s Manual regarding police officers’ moonlighting issues and what is covered by the City. After reviewing these, Barb Weber said that issue has been resolved to everyone’s satisfaction.

Personnel Committee: The committee met before the council meeting. PD moonlighting was discussed among other things.

OLD BUSINESS:
None

NEW BUSINESS:

Joe Anderson wants to have a food drive. Mayor Rachford said there is already a barrel in the Community Center that is used for the Care Mission. If everybody agrees, they could distribute any collections from that barrel to church food pantries, etc. Barb Weber suggested collecting gently used coats. Non-perishable items and coats will be collected between now and November 15th. Joe suggested a mass collection at the Community Center on November 10th.
COMMUNICATIONS:
- Haunted Walk on October 20th: Family Fun Time - 5:30-7:30; Haunted Walk-7:30-9:00.
- Halloween Hours: October 31st 6:00 – 8:00 p.m.
- November 1st Council Meeting will host members of Charlie Battery, the City's adopted troop. Reception from 6:00-7:00 before the council meeting.
- Christmas in Alexandria Update: Mayor Rachford said there will be a public meeting this Monday at 7:00 in council chambers.
- November 3 – Coffee with the Mayor

ADJOURNMENT:

MOTION: Bob Simon made a motion to adjourn, seconded by Dave Hart. All in favor, the motion passed with a 5-0-0 vote. Meeting adjourned at 7:50 p.m.

Karen M. Barto
City Clerk/Treasurer

Date: 11/01/2012
Approved: 11/01/2012

William T. Rachford, Jr.
Mayor

Date: 11/01/2012