The Alexandria City Council met on the above date at 7:00 p.m. Andy Schabell conducted the meeting in the Mayor’s absence. The following members answering roll call:

Council Members:
- Barbara Weber: Absent
- Stacey Graus: Present
- Joe Anderson: Present
- Bob Simon: Present
- Andy Schabell: Present
- Scott Fleckinger: Absent

Also present:
- Karen Barto: City Clerk/Treasurer
- Sam Trapp: Public Works Supt.
- Mike Duncan: City Attorney
- Joe Alexander: Asst. Police Chief
- Jeff Pohlman: Fire Chief

Joe Anderson read the invocation and Andy Schabell led the pledge to the flag.

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES:**

June 20, 2013

**MOTION:** Stacey Graus made a motion to approve the minutes of the June 20, 2013 meeting, seconded by Bob Simon. All in favor, the motion passed 4-0-0.

**VISITORS & GUESTS:**

1. **Pat Frank, 24 Southwood** – Here complaining about her next-door neighbor’s old fishing boat sitting on a rusty trailer that has been in his driveway all summer. She understands there is an ordinance where they can pay a fee and leave it in their driveway, and she wanted to know why the Southwood subdivision has this ordinance.

Mr. Duncan explained the City's ordinances apply everywhere in the city, not just in a certain subdivision. Typically, someone would first get a warning; second, be given a notice of violation, and if nothing is done, a citation is written and they are fined.

Mr. Schabell noticed there was a permit to park a boat issued for 22 Southwood on the Zoning Administrator's report. Mr. Graus stated the ordinance regulating this matter was passed 4-5 years ago. Ms. Frank should look at the ordinance and then talk to the code enforcement officer or the zoning administrator. It may be the ordinance needs to be modified. Mr. Schabell will get with the Police Chief and the Mayor to see if there is anything the city can do.

**ORDINANCES & RESOLUTIONS:**

*Mike Duncan read the following:*

**Second Reading:**

**ORD2013-10:** Amending Ordinance 2012-05, the City’s budget for Fiscal Year 2012-13 by transferring funds to and among the various budget accounts according to the attached Exhibit A in order to end the fiscal year in balance.

Mr. Duncan explained the exhibit reflects a total of $83,775.84 being transferred around to balance the budget.

**MOTION:** Bob Simon made a motion to adopt Ord2013-10, seconded by Stacey Graus. All in favor, the motion passed 4-0-0.
Second Reading:

ORD2013-11: Providing for the assessment of real property within the corporate limits of the City of Alexandria and levying an ad valorem tax of $0.179 on each One Hundred Dollar ($100.00) of assessed valuation ($1.79 per thousand) of real property in the city for the 2013 assessment tax year, and specifying the purpose for which the tax is levied.

MOTION: Stacey Graus made a motion to adopt Ord2013-11, seconded by Bob Simon. All in favor, the motion passed 4-0-0.

Mr. Duncan then read the following:

RES2013-07: Authorizing the mayor to make application for, and upon approval, to enter into an agreement with the Kentucky Office of Homeland Security to execute any documents which are deemed necessary by Homeland Security to facilitate and administer the project and to act as the authorized correspondent for this project.

Mr. Duncan explained it would be more cost effective to replace the older, refurbished units for audio and video, etc. An application can be made to the Department of Homeland Security for funding to replace them. The resolution authorizes the Mayor to make the application and facilitate this grant.

MOTION: Joe Anderson made a motion to adopt Resolution 2013-07, seconded by Andy Schabell. All in favor, the motion passed 4-0-0.

DEPARTMENT REPORTS:

City Clerk: Karen Barto said she is waiting for the certification of the tax roll, which should arrive within the next week. Tax bills should be ready by August 15th.

Public Works: See report attached. Joe Anderson noted Washington Street and the parking lot look very nice. Andy Schabell thanked Sam Trapp for erecting the Autistic Child Area signs. Both families with autistic children are very happy this was done.

Zoning Administrator: See report attached. Joe Anderson commented that some businesses think the city isn’t very business friendly and asked if there is some way to loosen up the sign regulations? Bob Simon thinks the city has one of the lowest fees for permits in the area. Stacey Graus pointed out the permitting process is in place ensuring that signs are not left out too long and to protect the aesthetics of the city. He thinks we need to think bigger by promoting the Cross County Highway which would open up more ways for people to come into the city, bring other businesses in, and more jobs which would generate more money.

Fire Department: Chief Pohlman thanked the Summerlake Subdivision HOA for allowing them to use the subdivision for training. Approximately 100 people showed up to watch them. Andy Schabell also thanked Brandon Bray.

There is an EMT class starting in August. Cost is $475. Call 635-5991 for information.

Public Works Committee: Bob Simon said the street programs are pretty much concluded.

Beautification Committee: Next meeting is August 1st at 6:00 p.m.

Personnel Committee: Joe Anderson reported the committee met this evening. There may be a special meeting called when Barb Weber returns from vacation.
Annexation Committee: Next meeting is September 19th.

OLD BUSINESS:

Tribute Park Benches: Mr. Schabell spoke with Mrs. Weber who thinks it is a little premature to consider a dedication ceremony. The park benches have been installed.

Update on 2013 Street Project: Washington and Trapp are completed. Poplar Ridge is ongoing.

NEW BUSINESS:

Bob Simon stated the demolition of the old Medialog building is pretty much at a standstill. The fence was erected in November and it isn’t even half-way demolished yet. The owner should be given a deadline to complete the demolition, which everyone agreed.

Mr. Simon also asked Sam Trapp to check on the tall weeds on North Jefferson Street. There is also tall grass growing along the sidewalk down to Greenup.

COMMUNICATIONS:

July 28th - Campbell County Backroads Farm Tour
August 13th – Alexandria Night at the Florence Freedom
August 17th – A. J. Jolly 50th Anniversary Celebration
October 17th – Town Hall Meeting with Congressman Thomas Massie

MOTION: Bob Simon made a motion to go into executive session to discuss proposed or pending litigation, pursuant to KRS 61-810(1)(c), seconded by Stacey Graus. All in favor, the motion passed 4-0-0.

MOTION: Bob Simon made a motion to go back to regular session, seconded by Joe Anderson. All in favor, the motion passed 4-0-0.

With the high heat index we’ve been experiencing, Joe Anderson recommended we check on our neighbors.

ADJOURNMENT:

MOTION: Bob Simon made a motion to adjourn, seconded by Stacey Graus. All in favor, the motion passed with a 4-0-0 vote. Meeting adjourned at 7:55 p.m.

Signed: ____________________________
Karen M. Barto
City Clerk/Treasurer

Date: 8/14/13

Approved: August 1, 2013

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William T. Rachford, Jr.
Mayor

Date: 8/14/13