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

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

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES:** August 7, 2014

**MOTION:** Scott Fleckinger made a motion to approve the minutes of the August 7, 2014 meeting, seconded by Barb Weber. All in favor, motion passed 5-0-0.

**VISITORS & GUESTS:** None

**ORDINANCES & RESOLUTIONS:**

*Mr. Duncan read the following 2nd Reading:*

**ORD2014-12:** 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 Dollars ($100.00) of assessed valuation ($1.79 per $1,000) of real property in the city for the 2014 assessment tax year, and specifying the purpose for which the tax is levied.

**MOTION:** Barb Weber made a motion to adopt ORD2014-12, seconded by Bob Simon. All in favor, the motion passed 5-0-0.

**DEPARTMENT REPORTS:**

**City Clerk:** Tax bills will be printed tomorrow.

**Police Dept:** Chief Ward reported the department received a Highway Safety Grant for $5,500 to pay overtime for highway safety. Their goal is to reduce the number of auto accidents in the city through citations. Also, the command bus that was obtained a few years ago has been painted, using forfeiture funds. It is parked behind the Community Center if Council would like to see it. Other agencies are donating equipment (radio) and installation time, and those agencies' patches are on the side of the bus.

**Public Works:** Been busy working on improving the Carriage Park area and Old Town. Wright Court and Enzweiler Road will be completed after the Water District finishes their work.

**Beautification Committee:** The next meeting will be September 4th at 6:00 p.m.

**NEW BUSINESS:**

Chief Jeff Pohlman – HB #1 – The Chief reported on the transparency of the fire district per the requirements of the recently-passed HB 1, (KRS 65 A-100-Transparency Requirements for Special Districts). See letter attached regarding the 2014 tax rate of $0.15 per $100.00, which is the same tax
rate for the past eight years. Public tax hearing will be held at the Alexandria Fire Station, 7951 Alexandria Pike, at 6:30 p.m. on Tuesday, August 26 for public discussion to set the rate.

OLD BUSINESS:

At the last meeting, there was discussion about replacing the playground equipment at the park and $25,000 was set aside for this. Joe Anderson said he is not against children and expanding the park, but he thinks the money could be better spent by replacing one piece of playground equipment this year, and upgrading the large shelter. He would like to see the shelter expanded three times larger, replacing the picnic tables with concrete ones to eliminate the carving of the wood, and updating the electric. The smaller shelter could also be expanded. Additional playground equipment could be built into next year's budget.

Mr. Anderson then read his entire article that he submitted for the newsletter.

Mayor Rachford said the Park Board has picked out four pieces of equipment to replace the two old pieces, at a cost of $10,000, including installation. He and Sam have discussed expanding the smaller shelter.

Ms. Weber said the small shelter was constructed years ago by an all-female carpentry class from the Vocational School.

Andy Schabell said the playground equipment has not been touched in 15 years, and $25,000 divided by 15 years is $1,666 per year, which is not a bad to maintain good playground equipment.

Bob Simon pointed out the Park Board is there to make the decisions and bring it back to the Mayor and council for approval.

COMMUNICATIONS:

- August 27th, 6:45 p.m. – Alexandria Fair Parade. Roads will be shut down early. Chief Ward will send the street closing schedule over Nixel. Mayor Rachford reminded parade participants and spectators to stay back from vehicles so no one gets hurt.
- September 13th, 9:00 a.m. – Dedication of the Disc Golf Course at Alexandria Community Park.
- October 25th – Community Wellness Day and Food Drive at the Community Center. Wellness Day is hosted by Christ Hospital.
- The last Movie Night on August 15th was a huge success, attended by over 100 people. He thanked Woodmen of the World for putting this event on.

ADJOURNMENT:

MOTION: Scott Fleckinger made a motion to adjourn; seconded by Bob Simon. All in favor, meeting adjourned at 7:30 p.m.

Karen M. Barto
City Clerk/Treasurer

Date: 9-18-14

Approved: 9-18-14