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:

Barbara Weber Present  Bob Simon Present
Stacey Graus Absent  Andy Schabell Present
Joe Anderson Present  Scott Fleckinger Present

Also:

Karen Barto City Clerk/Treas.  Mike Ward Police Chief
Mike Duncan City Attorney  Sam Trapp Public Works Supt.

Andy Schabell read an invocation and Mayor Rachford led the pledge to the flag.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:  September 18, 2014

MOTION: Scott Fleckinger made a motion to approve the minutes of the September 18, 2014 meeting, seconded by Barb Weber. All in favor, the motion passed 5-0-0.

VISITORS & GUESTS:

1) Michelle Mitron, Christ Hospital -
The City of Alexandria and Christ Hospital Health Network is hosting a health fair event on October 25th from 10:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m. at the Community Center. There will be 18 different clinical departments: free flu shots, 12 yrs. or older; grip strength tests; balance and fall prevention; body mass index; blood sugar testing; women’s breast detection model; heart attack simulator; AED demo; drug-free community info; wound care; heart disease/heart failure support groups; car seat safety checks; bike safety course; ambulance/fire truck tours; door prizes). Also, the annual Alexandria Canned Food Drive is that same day for donations. They hope to have 200-300 participants. Please spread the word.

Also available is a limited number of $30 vouchers for a peripheral arterial disease screening. Mayor Rachford said parking will be available at the Methodist Church next door.

2) Richard Casson, 14297 Morning View Rd., Alexandria –
He is here to speak about the heroin epidemic affecting almost everyone to some extent. Could something be done to bring more awareness to the youth and help for those who are consumed by the disease?

Chief Ward stated solving this problem cannot happen with just enforcement; education must be a part of the solution. On the first Wednesday of each month at 8:30 a.m., the Campbell County Drug Free Coalition meets in the Police Department and anyone is welcome to attend. This group is working with schools to get the right program in schools for education. The PD is working with the DEA and FBI. It is a national problem.

3) Jessica Padgett, 930 Fairlane Road, Butler –
She asked Chief Ward for help in finding an outlet where youth who start to experiment with drugs can feel safe talking to someone and then look into what is causing them to experiment. Chief Ward talked about The Landing program that meets monthly in the Annex Building, and in Butler. This is a support group for adolescents who are victims of substance abusers, or have been abusers themselves. It is an innovative, faith-based program and has been very successful. Shari Hennekes, the coordinator of this program, would be happy to talk to anyone who is interested.

4) Angel Sparks, 8325 Tollgate Rd., Alexandria –
She had talked with Shari about this, and a lot of kids don’t have support at home. Shari needs help with transporting the kids to and from the meeting and snacks. Ms. Mitron from Christ Hospital added Shari will have a table at the Health Fair.

5) Sherry Cooper, 25 Sidney Dr., Independence –
Ms. Cooper said more funding is needed for treatment facilities in Kentucky. Nine out of ten people who need help have no health insurance and are turned away from facilities. Chief Ward encouraged her to get involved with the Drug Free Alliance for answers.

Andy Schabell and Barb Weber think if everyone comes together and makes enough noise, something might get done. Mayor Rachford said Kentucky legislators respond to telephone calls rather and letters. Chief Ward said the funding starts at the state level and he reiterated that phone calls to the legislator can make a difference. He also encouraged them to send him an e-mail for the Drug Free Alliance contact information.

ORDINANCES & RESOLUTIONS:

Mr. Duncan read the following:

2nd Reading:
ORD2014-14: Approving a recommendation of the Alexandria Planning Commission to approve a zoning map amendment for the real estate located at 7817 Alexandria Pike from Residential (R-1D) zone to Neighborhood Shopping Center (NSC) zone in order to operate a tax services office subject to the submitted Development Plan.

MOTION: Bob Simon made a motion to adopt ORD2014-14, seconded by Andy Schabell. All in favor, the motion passed 5-0-0.

1st Reading:

PROCLAMATION: Declaring October 19 – 25, 2014 as “Freedom from Workplace Bullies Week”
Mr. Duncan read the Proclamation.

MOTION: Scott Fleckinger made a motion to adopt the “Freedom from Workplace Bullies” Proclamation, seconded by Barb Weber. All in favor, the motion passed 5-0-0.

DEPARTMENT REPORTS:

City Clerk: Taxes are due on October 31st.

Police Dept: Chief Ward stated Chris Jaskowiak has been promoted from seasonal to full-time employee since Lt. Schreiner’s retirement. He introduced Greg Hallau as the new seasonal officer, who is a retired Independence police sergeant and Navy Chief, having done two tours in Iraq. He will work September thru most of May. Welcome Greg.

The PD has entered into an agreement with Interact and the National Law Enforcement Telegraph System in Arizona. This means the “Mobile Computing for Other Agencies” budget line item of $8,000 goes away. There will continue to be a maintenance payment, but no additional costs for maintaining equipment and server replacement. This move gives us long-term sustainability.

Also, police and fire departments in the County are working on a program developed by a deputy in Boone County called “Save, Swift Assist, Victim Extraction”. This involves training for police and rescue workers working together. First responders to a situation such as Sandy Hook would go in to hunt down a shooter, and then trained paramedics and a second group of police officers would respond for the sole purpose of grabbing, dragging and getting hostages outside in a secure manner
for medical attention. Two of Alexandria’s officers have been to training and a policy is being developed for training. This will take place in the schools during winter break.

**Fire Department:** Donations for the St. Vincent Coat Drive can be dropped off at the Fire Department. Also, street sales and community-wide yard sales tend to cause issues with blocked fire lanes for emergencies. Mayor Rachford reminded everyone to be mindful of this.

**Public Works:** Sam Trapp reported he has 300 tons of salt in storage.

Ms. Weber asked Sam about the Wright Court street project. She had heard from a resident that was distressed because curbs were not installed to the entire street, just the lower end. Sam explained that was always the plan, as there were water problems on the lower end of Wright Court.

Mayor Rachford said three cul de sacs will be rebuilt sometime in November - Quailwood, Springwood, and Whispering Woods. This should take about a week. Letters were sent out to those affected to notify them of the work.

**Zoning Administrator:** See report attached. Mayor Rachford also reported the following:
- 8339 E. Main Street - During excavation, the owners discovered a storm water line that was not shown on the plat. SD1 issued a stop work order, and the owners are meeting with SD1 on Friday to find a solution so they can proceed with their work.
- 8266 E. Main Street – Someone is interested in purchasing and rehabbing this building.
- 3706 Cliffwood Court – Complaints on this property have pretty much been resolved. The front yard was sodded, a portion of the side yard was cleared, and the deck was removed.
- Hickorywood Court Lake – No communication back from the residents yet, but Mr. Steltenpohl called late this afternoon to report he has not had time to do anything. The Mayor had sent him a letter after the August meeting advising him to contact a real estate attorney and have something done within 60 days.
- 8321 E. Main Street – The owner is making some progress.
- Arcadia Blvd. Sign – This sign was removed from the pole with the Pat Fanning Way sign.
- Log Cabin – The fines were due yesterday. The City Attorney is drafting necessary court documents for enforcement.

**Community Center:** See report showing activity through the end of September. This is on target for the year.

**Beautification Committee:** At tonight’s meeting, they discussed moving the Alexandria sign to the southern end of the city (US 27 and Lickert Rd). Sam has helped to obtain the necessary permits from the state, and this should be completed by the first of the year. Next meeting is November 6th at 6:00 p.m.

**Public Works Committee:** The next meeting is November 6 at 6:30 p.m.

**Personnel Committee:** Meeting in December.

**NEW BUSINESS:**

There is now a Head Start facility in the old Alexandria Elementary School on Washington Street. They currently serve about 40 children. Anyone interested in this, please call 859-431-4177.

**OLD BUSINESS:** None

**COMMUNICATIONS:**
- October 18th 7:30-9:00 p.m.: Haunted Walk, Alexandria Community Park
• October 25th 10:00 a.m.-1:00 p.m., Community Center: Community Wellness Day sponsored by Christ Hospital
• October 25th 9:00 a.m.-1:00 p.m., Community Center: Food Drive sponsored by City Council.
• October 24th, 25th, 26th: Campbell County Clean-Up
• October 31st 6:00-8:00 p.m.: Halloween Hours.
• November 1st 10:00-12:00: Coffee with the Mayor (last one this year)
• Brakes for Breasts: Automotive businesses are sponsoring a fund raiser for breast cancer, and Community Car Care participating. During the month of October, they are giving away free brake pads or shoes. There will be a cost for labor and other necessary parts.
• November 1st: Alexandria Fire Department Turkey Raffle
• November 4th: Election Day
• November 11th: Veteran’s Day Programs - St. Mary School at 9:00 a.m., BBHS at 10:00 a.m.

Joe Anderson added anyone donating to the Food Drive can just drive up to the front of the Community Center. Collections will be distributed to five local churches. Please give generously.

ADJOURNMENT:

MOTION: Scott Fleckinger made a motion to adjourn; seconded by Bob Simon. All in favor, meeting adjourned at 8:24 p.m.

Karen M. Barto
City Clerk/Treasurer

Date: 11/7/2014

William T. Rachford, Jr.
Mayor

Date: 11/7/14

Approved: 11/06/2014