



ORIGINAL

CITY COUNCIL MEETING
Minutes of February 5, 2015

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:

	Bob Simon	Present	Sue Neltner	Present
	Stacey Graus	Present	Andy Schabell	Present
	Sandy Decker	Present	Scott Fleckinger	Absent
Also:	Karen Barto	City Clerk/Treas.	Mike Ward	Police Chief
	Mike Duncan	City Attorney	Sam Trapp	Pub. Works Supt.
	Keith Hammon	Fire Dept.	Marc Barone	Code Enf. Bd.

Bob Simon read the invocation and Mayor Rachford led the pledge to the flag.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: January 15, 2015

MOTION: Bob Simon made a motion to approve the minutes of the January 15, 2015 meeting, seconded by Andy Schabell. All in favor, the motion passed 5-0-0.

VISITORS & GUESTS:

Marc Barone, Woodmen of the World – Here to recognize Alexandria E.M.T. Chris Wuertz. Mayor Rachford read a letter from Jennifer Humphrey, whose son Collin was in a severe accident on Persimmon Grove Pike. Mr. Wuertz was off duty at the time, but heard the accident and due to his fast response, was able to help all involved in the accident. Ms. Humphrey asked that Mr. Wuertz be recognized for his courageous actions and being a true hero. Mr. Barone presented Mr. Wuertz with the Lifesaver Award from the Woodmen of the World.

ORDINANCES & RESOLUTIONS:

Mr. Duncan read the following:

MO2015-10: Reappointing Marc Barone to the Code Enforcement Board for a three-year term to expire on 12/31/2017.

MOTION: Stacey Graus made a motion to approve municipal order #2015-10, seconded by Bob Simon. All in favor, the motion passed 5-0-0.

RES2015-01: Supporting passage of road fund stabilization by the 2015 Kentucky General Assembly to assure adequate funding of the state road fund and the county road aid.

Mayor Rachford explained how our Road Aid funds will decrease due to the loss of funds. The road aid calculation is based on the price of the gasoline. Fuel prices have gone down and if there is no change over the next couple of years, the City could lose almost \$14,000 this fiscal year and \$47,000 next fiscal year. This could affect our road maintenance efforts.

MOTION: Bob Simon made a motion to approve Resolution 2015-01, seconded by Sandy Decker. All in favor, the motion passed 5-0-0.

DEPARTMENT REPORTS:

City Clerk: After removing foreclosures and bankruptcies, delinquent taxes are down to \$16,918. Also, as of February 1, Susie Clark has cut back from full time to part time. She will be working on Thursdays and Fridays.

Police Dept: A job task analysis was conducted and every sworn police officer the state was surveyed as to what they do and how often. This was to find out how the training process is working. The Police Academy will now be 22 weeks instead of the 18 weeks. This puts Kentucky near the top in the country as far as hours for training. Kentucky also requires a minimum of 40 hours/year for additional training.

Also, the first Veteran's Court Day in Campbell County will be on April 23rd. Once it is up and running, it will be extended to neighboring counties.

Lately, there has been a higher-than-normal volume of scam calls and computer hacking. Everyone cautioned to be aware, and for businesses to take into consideration their security on the web. The city has taken steps to try to be as secure as possible.

Beautification Committee: They met tonight. The Campbell County Extension Office has awarded a \$1,000 grant to the City. They will be taking steps in the next few weeks to provide a list of plants and trees to be used for beautification.

Public Works Committee: They met tonight to discuss and organize this year's road improvements.

Safety Committee: Next meeting is February 19th at 6:30.

Annexation Committee: Next meeting is March 19th at 6:30.

NEW BUSINESS:

Mr. Simon reported the Public Works Committee has starting planning for the total reconstruction of Shaw and Sheridan. He asked council for approval to put this project out for bid.

MOTION: Stacey Graus made a motion to put out for bids for the reconstruction of Shaw and Sheridan Drives, seconded by Sandy Decker.

Mr. Schabell explained doing both streets at the same time will be quite expensive and will require a loan, but the terms of the loan will be cheaper than if the two roads would be done separately. In the long run, it should save the taxpayers some money. All in favor, the motion passed 5-0-0.

OLD BUSINESS: None

COMMUNICATIONS:

- February 28th, 6:30-12:00 – Benefit for Mark Branham at the Community Center. Tickets are \$15 without dinner or \$25 with dinner. The purpose is to help Officer Branham with the expenses due to a serious health issue. This is an adult only event.
- A Town Hall Meeting will be held on March 19th at the Community Center. All are encouraged to come. Have your questions and input ready to share.
- April 17, 18, 19 – Campbell County Clean Up. Info is on the Website.
- April 25 – Campbell County Shred Day at DAV Headquarters, Cold Spring. Individuals can bring up to five boxes to shred. Info is on the Website.
- There was a handout on updates for various economic development projects/road situations.

- Local Investments for Transformation – Council received information on this. It would be a local option sales tax that is being discussed in Kentucky that would allow a locality or region to enact a sales tax for specific projects, Citizens will have the opportunity to vote on whether or not they want it. That tax is tied to a specific project, and when the project is completed, the sales tax goes away.

ADJOURNMENT:

MOTION: Andy Schabell made a motion to adjourn; seconded by Sue Neltner. All in favor, meeting adjourned at 7:28 p.m.



Karen M. Barto
City Clerk/Treasurer

Date: 2/20/15

Approved: 2/19/15



William T. Rachford, Jr.
Mayor

Date: 2/20/15