Mayor Rachford called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m., with the following members answering roll call:

Bob Simon  Present  Sue Neltner  Present
Stacey Graus  Absent  Sandy Decker  Present
Scott Fleckinger  Present  Andy Schabell  Present
Also: Karen Barto  City Clerk/Treasurer  Mike Ward  Police Chief
Mike Duncan  City Attorney  Sam Trapp  Public Works Supt.

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

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: January 7, 2016

MOTION: Scott Fleckinger made a motion to approve the minutes of the January 7, 2015 meeting, seconded by Sue Neltner. All in favor, the motion passed 5-0-0.

VISITORS & GUESTS:

1. Hunter Poindexter, 8 Bridle Cove – Hunter is a Senator with the Student Governor Association of NKU. Compared to other comparable institutes in the State, NKU is underfunded by $10.7 million. Kentucky has no rational basis to how their institutions are funded. The association is trying to get a better understanding why NKU is underfunded, and also to try and change that, and have created “Outcomes Based Funding”. Their website, www.investinsuccessky.com, has pre-loaded e-mail addresses of local state representatives and senators. Add your name, e-mail address, and zip code to a pre-loaded message that will be sent to those representatives who will then bring it to Frankfort.

2. Lisa Ellis and Kathy Jennings – They recently rented the Community Center on November 14th for their wedding. She had requested a meeting with the Mayor and had not heard back from him. They wanted to bring a complaint to him regarding the behavior of one of the City workers. Mr. Duncan advised it would not be appropriate to continue discussing this matter in a public forum; Mayor Rachford asked them to stay after the meeting and he would be glad to talk with them.

ORDINANCES & RESOLUTIONS:

Mr. Duncan explained the city awarded Rumpke the waste bid last year. The Contract has now been produced and signed, so it would be appropriate to update the Code of Ordinances for the new rate for 2016.

Mr. Duncan then read the following as a First Reading:

ORD2016-01: An Ordinance amending Section 15.15 of the City Code of Ordinances in order to modify the City’s waste and recycling collection assessment.

DEPARTMENT REPORTS:

City Clerk: None
Police Department: None
Community Center: None
Public Works: See report attached.
Zoning Administrator: See report attached. For any questions, please contact Carol Hofstetter.
Beautification Committee: Sue Nelltner – Next meeting will be March 3rd.

Finance Committee: Scott Fleckinger – They met tonight to review the budget year to date. Everything is pretty much on target.

NEW BUSINESS: None

OLD BUSINESS: None

COMMUNICATIONS:

Mayor Rachford commented about an article in the recorder about the Campbell County/Bishop Brossart shoot-out basketball game. This rivalry generated a lot of interest and attendance. The schools have turned it into an opportunity for community service, and the Food Out Challenge was created. As a result of this year’s challenge, about 8,000 pounds of canned goods were collected and donated to the Alexandria Care Mission. He also stated there are about 12 local churches involved in the Care Mission efforts.

ADJOURNMENT:

MOTION: Scott Fleckinger made a motion to adjourn, seconded by Bob Simon. All in favor, the motion passed 5-0-0. The meeting adjourned at 7:12 p.m.

Karen M. Barto
City Clerk/Treasurer

Date: 2/4/16

William T. Rachford, Jr.
Mayor

Date: 2/4/16

Approved: February 4, 2016