



**CITY COUNCIL MEETING  
Minutes of July 7, 2016**

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

	Bob Simon	Present	Sue Neltner	Present
	Stacey Graus	Present	Sandy Decker	Present
	Scott Fleckinger	Present	Andy Schabell	Present
Also:	Karen Barto	City Clerk/Treas.	Mike Duncan	City Attorney
	Sam Trapp	Public Works Supervisor		

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

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES: June 16, 2016**

**MOTION:** Scott Fleckinger made a motion to approve the minutes of the June 16, 2015 meeting, seconded by Sue Neltner. All in favor, motion passed 5-0-1 with Mr. Simon abstaining.

**VISITORS & GUESTS:**

Mayor Rachford introduced 2<sup>nd</sup> Lt. Austin Davenport, son of Alexandria Code Enforcement Officer Scott Davenport. He is a recent graduate of West Point Military Academy. The Mayor gave a brief summary of the process of being accepted into West Point and completing the program. 2<sup>nd</sup> Lt. Davenport was then presented with a Certificate from the City of Alexandria.

**ORDINANCES & RESOLUTIONS:**

*Mr. Duncan read the following:*

*Second Reading:*

**ORD2016-09:** Relating to 815 KAR 7:120 Kentucky Building Code and 815 KAR 7:125 Kentucky Residential Code as adopted by the Board of Housing, Buildings and Construction of the Commonwealth of Kentucky.

**MOTION:** Stacey Graus made a motion to adopt Ordinance 2016-09, seconded by Andy Schabell. All in favor, the motion passed 6-0-0.

*First Reading:*

**ORD2016-10:** Providing for the assessment of real estate real property within the corporate limits of the City of Alexandria and levying an *ad valorem* tax of \$0.174 on each one hundred dollars (\$100.00) of assessed valuation (\$1.74 per thousand) of real property in the City for the 2016 assessment tax year and specifying the purpose for which the tax is levied.

Mr. Duncan explained this is equal to the compensating tax rate and was calculated based upon the preliminary assessment provided by the Campbell County PVA. Normally, the final certified assessment isn't received until later in July, but if it doesn't change substantially, the second reading on this ordinance will be done then and the tax bills can be mailed on time.

**DEPARTMENT REPORTS:**

**City Clerk:** Delinquent taxes are very low, and according to her calculations that rate is 1/10 of 1%. She is proud of her department for working to keep this a low amount. Also, the administrative clerk's position was offered to someone who should be starting within two weeks.

**Community Center:**  
See report attached.

**Public Works:**

In addition to hiring a replacement for Leon Hoskins, another seasonal position has been offered to someone who is in the process of completing the physical and background check.

**Beautification Committee: Sue Neltner** – They met tonight to discuss the finishing touches on the Annex Building and cleaning up Washington Street and the Tribute Park.

**Park & Recreation Board:** The board met last night and they were very pleased with how the park trail turned out. There are also some Eagle Scout projects in the works for the park.

**Planning & Zoning Commission:** There is a vacancy on the Commission due to Marty Hipple's resignation because he is no longer lives in the city limits. An appointment by municipal order may be on the next council agenda.

**NEW BUSINESS:**

Mayor Rachford presented his State of the City address and highlighted the following topics:

- 1. PAST, PRESENT AND FUTURE
- 2. BUDGET
- 3. TAXES
- 4. GROWTH
- 5. STAFFING CHANGES

Sue Neltner proposed a program that highlights local businesses to generate support. She would like to see a section on the website or the city's Facebook page highlighting a business each week and to mention them at the council meetings, invite them to council meetings, and put their name on the sign by the Tribute Park. This would be similar to what Ft. Thomas does in their "Ft. Thomas Matters" publication. If council supports local businesses, then the residents would also support them to create a thriving community.

**OLD BUSINESS:** None

**COMMUNICATIONS:**

- July 29, City Park – Movie Night "Inside Out"
- August 13 – Dog Day at the Park
- Visit the website for information on other events – [www.alexandriaky.org](http://www.alexandriaky.org)

**ADJOURNMENT:**

**MOTION:** Scott Fleckinger made a motion to adjourn, seconded by Sue Neltner. All in favor, the motion passed 6-0-0. The meeting adjourned at 7:36 p.m.

  
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Karen M. Barto, City Clerk Treasurer

Date: 7-22-16

  
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William T. Rachford, Jr., Mayor

Date: 7/22/16

Approved: **August 4, 2016**