



**CITY COUNCIL MEETING  
Minutes of May 19, 2011**

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

**Council Members:**

Barbara Weber	Present	Bob Simon	Present
Stacey Graus	Present	Dave Hart	Present
Scott Fleckinger	Present	Joe Anderson	Present

**Also present:**

Jan Johannemann	Asst. City Clerk	Mike Duncan	City Attorney
Joe Alexander	Asst. Police Chief	John Jewell	P&Z Chairman
Gail Jewell	Ethics Board		

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

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES:**

**April 21, 2011 Meeting**

**MOTION:** Scott Fleckinger made a motion to approve the minutes of the April 21<sup>st</sup> meeting, seconded by Bob Simon. All in favor, the motion passed 6-0-0.

**VISITORS & GUESTS:**

**Eli Matthews** – Mayor Rachford recognized Eli Matthews, a Campbell County Middle School wrestler who is a two-time state wrestling champion (7<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup> grade). The Mayor then read a Certificate of Achievement. Congratulations, Eli.

**ORDINANCES & RESOLUTIONS:**

None

**DEPARTMENT REPORTS:**

**Police Department:** Assistant Chief Alexander reported the PD received a letter from Rick Robinson, Beckfield College, thanking Chief Ward for allowing Investigator Howard Trapnell to teach a Criminal Investigation class.

Also, this weekend the Police Explorers Post will compete with other posts from Kentucky and Ohio at Dixie Heights High School. Officer Jackson has been preparing them for this competition.

**Planning & Zoning Department:** John Jewell said P&Z has just approved a site plan for Farley Family Orthodontists, which is located where the Four Seasons Florist used to be. They hope to open around the end of June or first of July.

**Public Works:** Dave Hart asked Mike Duncan about road aid, and wanted to know if this money could be used for preparatory work. Mike will check into this.

**Beautification Committee:** Bob Simon said on Thursday and Friday there were students from CCMS and CCHS, along with Barb Weber, Mary Ann Seibert, Rebecca Reese and others, who helped in planting some of the beds on Washington Street. Mayor Rachford said he has heard comments about how good it looks.

**Finance Committee:** Scott reported the committee met last night. There will be another meeting next Wednesday, and hope to have a final draft of the budget to everyone by next week. Council will have a week to look it over before the first meeting in June. There is a new format being used, and there is still some work to be done.

**Personnel Committee:** Joe reported the committee met May 9<sup>th</sup> to review wages for Community Center worker and helper, and reviewed sick days for full-time city workers. Another meeting will be scheduled soon.

### **OLD BUSINESS:**

The Mayor said it is his intention to have a proposal for the new budget by the first meeting in June, and have a second reading at the June 19<sup>th</sup> meeting.

### **NEW BUSINESS:**

Mayor Rachford read the Inter-local Agreement approved and signed by Judge Penderly last night at Fiscal Court. This agreement is an addendum to the contract between Campbell County Fiscal Court and City of Alexandria. He asked for a motion from council to approve this.

**MOTION:** Barb Weber made a motion to approve an amendment to the Inter-local Agreement between Campbell County Fiscal Court and City of Alexandria, seconded by Stacey Graus. All in favor, the motion passed 6-0-0.

Joe Anderson asked if the rental contract for the Community Center has been revised yet. Mayor Rachford said presently, there are two different contracts, and the plan is to combine them. He has not completed this, but will address it after the budget is finalized. Council will get a copy of the new contract to review.

Joe also asked if we can do anything with the former Thriftway store to generate revenue for the city. Stacey Graus said there were discussions between Mayor McGinley and various individuals. The problem with this property has been the price, it is too big or too small for needs, it would be costly to renovate to meet needs, and it is privately owned so the City cannot force the owners to take any action. Bob Simon said there was an interest about six months ago, but they were also looking at a place in the Newport Shopping Center. They went with the shopping center because Thriftway was too big and costly. He also added there are all kinds of empty buildings in the area. Barb Weber suggested we contact the Chamber of Commerce.

### **COMMUNICATIONS:**

Mayor Rachford said that soon residents should be seeing US flags on the telephone poles on US27. The flags, poles and brackets are compliments of the Woodmen of the World, who have an office in Alexandria.

The Memorial Day Parade is Sunday, May 29<sup>th</sup> at 2:00 p.m. Council members participating in the parade should be at the Campbell County Middle School by 1:00.

Barb Weber asked if Mike Duncan had seen Senate Bill 135 (Code Enforcement Boards), and would this affect our current ordinances. Mike said he read it, but will have to review it further to see if our ordinances will need to be adjusted to fix any conflict.

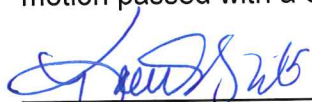
Bob also thanked everyone for their hard work in helping the Beautification Committee with planting on Washington Street. Barb Weber complimented the Public Works Department for the nice job they did on the Tribute Park and City Building.

Joe Anderson said since school will be out soon and children will be riding bikes and playing outside, so please be careful and watch your speed.

Stacey Graus said the Fishing Derby is Saturday, June 4<sup>th</sup>. There are plenty of fish in the lake.

**ADJOURNMENT:**

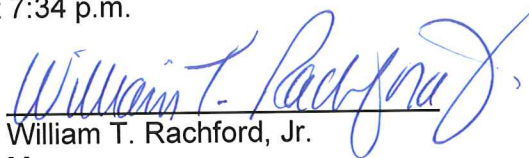
**MOTION:** Scott Fleckinger made a motion to adjourn, seconded by Dave Hart. All in favor, the motion passed with a 6-0-0 vote. Meeting adjourned at 7:34 p.m.



Karen M. Barto  
City Clerk/Treasurer

Date: 6-3-2011

Approved: 6-2-2011



William T. Rachford, Jr.  
Mayor

Date: 6-3-2011