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CITY COUNCIL MEETING Meeting Minutes of October 18, 2018

Mayor Rachford called the Alexandria City Council Meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. followed by the invocation and the pledge to the flag. The following Council Members answering roll call:

Stacey Graus Present	Susan Vanlandingham Present
Bob Simon Present	Scott Fleckinger Present
Sue Neltner Present	Andy Schabell Present

Also: Jan Johannemann, City Clerk Mike Duncan, City Attorney
 Mike Ward, Police Chief Sam Trapp, Public Works Supt.
 JoAnn Hackworth, Treasurer

APPROVAL OF MINUTES – October 4, 2018

MOTION: Stacey Graus made a motion to approve the minutes of the October 4, 2018 meeting, seconded by Scott Fleckinger. All in favor, the motion passed 4-0-2 with Susan Vanlandingham and Bob Simon abstaining.

VISITORS & GUESTS

- Stephanie Allgeyer, VonLehman & Associates** – Stephanie met with the Finance Committee earlier and went over the audit in detail. Ms. Allgeyer presented a brief overview of the audit to council. She first addressed the Financial Statement for the year ending June 30, 2018. The Independent Auditor’s Report reflects that the financial statements present fairly, in all material respects the respective financial position of the City of Alexandria. This is an unmodified, clean report. Ms. Allgeyer then reviewed several pages of the financial statement in detail. The auditors did not identify any situations of material weaknesses or significant deficiencies.

Mayor Rachford thanked Ms. Allgeyer and her team for their hard work and professionalism.

ORDINANCES & RESOLUTIONS - None

DEPARTMENT REPORTS

Clerk – Jan Johannemann: Clerks office has collected approximately about 40% of taxes. Payments are due by October 31st.

Police Department: Chief Ward gave an offer of employment this week to Nathan Nogueras. Mr. Nogueras has been a volunteer with the V.I.P. program and lives in the city. Nathan will go to the Academy in until March, or sooner if possible.

Chief Ward shared that they were notified the PD received the Police Social Work grant to help with the Angel Program. The grant came through Inter Act Health, in Cincinnati. The portion given to the Alexandria Police Department is about \$99,000.

Community Center: See attached report. The Delta Gamma 5K Walk/Run event out at the park was a good event with 133 participants.

Public Works: See report attached. A new handicap ramp has been installed and the old elevator will be removed.

Zoning Administrator: See report attached.

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COUNCIL COMMITTEES

Beautification – Sue Neltner: The deadline for nominations for Fall/Halloween holiday decorations is October 26.

Finance – Scott Fleckinger: They met tonight. Stephanie Allgeyer from VonLehman went over the audit report in detail. Also discussed were Police hours.

Public Works – Bob Simon: As of today, all paving has been completed for the 2018-2019 year.

Safety – Susan Vanlandingham: Next meeting will be November 15 to look at information on the crosswalk addition at Jefferson and Main.

NEW BUSINESS

The new Spare Time Restaurant has opened. Mayor Rachford encouraged people to stop by for breakfast or lunch.

It is not official yet, but there are plans to build a new GoldStar at the old Larosa's location. It will be a corporate store and a little smaller than the current building. Mayor Rachford showed a design of building that would be similar to their Latonia location.

OLD BUSINESS

Revisit Committee Change from Annexation to Business Development: Mayor Rachford decided to table this until next year.

US 27 Lighting Update: The Mayor met with Duke and City Engineer about updating lights to LED on existing poles and adding an additional 5-6 poles. He is waiting for the final assessment and report to bring before council. Ms. Neltner brought up that the parking lot lights at County Market have been shut off and wondered if someone from the complex could turn those back on.

Gross Receipts Tax: Mayor Rachford wanted to explain this tax as there seemed to be some confusion. There are about 1700 business that are licensed to do business in Alexandria. The gross receipts tax is only on business that is conducted in Alexandria. Some do business in Alexandria but are not located in the city. Three businesses have reached the \$25,000 cap; 9 businesses have paid between \$5,000 and \$24,999; and 22 have paid between \$1,000 and \$4,999. Half of those business are publicly traded businesses. The minimum fee had been raised from \$75 to \$100, which will cover a business with gross receipts of up to \$133,000. There were 238 businesses that paid the \$100 minimum. In order for a business to pay \$1,000 in gross receipts tax they have to have gross receipts of about \$1.3 million. A business with gross receipts of \$1 million will pay \$750 in gross receipts tax for the year.

Mayor Rachford also pointed out most cities in Kentucky have a gross receipts tax or a net profit tax. The city had to make a choice to maintain the infrastructure and to remain competitive with employees. We needed to increase our revenue without raising property tax.

COMMUNICATIONS

Mayor Rachford informed council that October is Education Month, a collaboration between KLC & KEA. He had contacted BBHS, St. Mary's and CCHS. On Monday, October 29th, Mayor Rachford, Mike Ward and Kelly Pompilio will be at CCHS to speak to 4 classes about city government and criminal justice.

- October 19-20, 8:00 am-5:00 pm – Campbell County Fall Cleanup
- October 20, 7:30 pm-9:00 pm – Haunted Walk (for older children and adults only)


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- October 22, 6:00 pm – Meet the Candidates' Forum at the Community Center, sponsored by ACBA. This is for Alexandria Candidates only.
- October 26 – Deadline for submitting nominations for best Fall/Halloween decorations.
- October 27, 9:00 am-12:00 pm – Extended City Clerk office hours for property taxes only.
- October 31 – Property Taxes due
- October 31, 6:00 pm-8:00 pm – Halloween Hours
- November 6 – Election Day

Mr. Duncan announced that it was Scott Fleckinger's birthday today.


ADJOURNMENT

MOTION: Scott Fleckinger made a motion to adjourn, seconded by Bob Simon. All in favor, the motion passed 6-0-0. The meeting adjourned at 7:31 p.m.


Jan Johannemann, City Clerk

Date: 11/2/18

Approved: 11/1/18


William T. Rachford, Jr. Mayor

Date: 11/2/2018