

REGULAR MEETING OF THE MAYOR AND ALDERMAN OF
THE CITY COUNCIL OF ROCK FALLS
June 1, 2010

The regular meeting of the Mayor and Alderman of the City of Rock Falls was called to order at the hour of 6:30 p.m., June 1, 2010 in Rock Falls, Illinois by Mayor David H. Blanton.

City Clerk, William B. Wescott, called the roll, present were Mayor Blanton, Alderman Thurm, Folsom, Hand, Kuhlemier, Snow, Reitzel and Vandersnick. Alderman Schuneman joined the meeting at 6:38 p.m... In addition, City Administrator Downey and City Attorney Reese were also in attendance.

Audience Request:

A representative from the Tri County Opportunities Council was present and informed the Council of there upcoming 45th Anniversary to be celebrated on Tuesday, June 29, 2010 from 4-7 p.m. at there offices at 405 Emmons Avenue, Rock Falls. They are requesting permission to close off Emmons Avenue during the hours above; just north of Arland Avenue and just south of Avalon. In addition, they requested that No parking signage be placed along Emmons Avenue from Dixon Avenue to the barricades. **Motion Kuhlemier, Second: Hand, Vote (7) ayes, motion passed.**

Community Affairs:

Dawn Duncan, Manager of the Country Inn & Suites, Rock Falls was present representing the Chamber. She informed the Council of the upcoming Chamber activities in June.

Ordinance: First Reading

1. 2010-2404; Section 15-51. METER INSTALLATION; BYPASS PROHIBITED
2. 2010-2405; AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE ISSUANCE OF GENERAL OBLIGATION BONDS (ELECTRIC SYSTEM ALTERNATE REVENUE SOURCE) OF THE CITY OF ROCK FALLS, WHITESIDE COUNTY, ILLINOIS, IN AN AGGREGATE PRINCIPAL AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$1,555,000.00, FOR THE PURPOSE OF IMPROVING THE ELECTRIC SYSTEM OF THE CITY.
3. 2010-2406; Section 15-297. DELAYED PAYMENT.
Motion: Snow; Second: Folsom to accept the Ordinances as presented for first reading. Vote: (8) ayes, motion carried.

Ordinance: Adoption

1. 2010-2402; Section 9-84. STOP INTERSECTION DESIGNATION
Motion: Vandersnick; Second: Thurm to accept ordinance as presented for adoption. Vote: (8) ayes, motion carried.
2. 2010-2403; ORDINANCE RECLASSFYING CERTAIN TERRITORY UNDER THE ZONING ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF ROCK FALLS.
Motion: Kuhlemier; Second: Vandersnick to accept the ordinance as presented for adoption. Vote: (8) ayes, motion carried.

Consent Agenda:

1. Approve minutes from May 18, 2010
2. Approve bills as presented
3. Approve **Resolution 2010 – 577**; terminates a previous agreement to allow the sale of certain real estate from the jurisdiction and control of the Industrial Development Commission and returns the jurisdiction and control of the identified property to the City.
4. Approve the Resolution of the Northern Illinois Mayor's Association supporting the installation of blue hospitality logo signs along the entire Illinois State Toll Highway Authority System.
5. Approve Pay request No. 1 of the Sidewalk/Curb Projects for 2010, to AAA Concrete in the amount of \$8,131.20 from the ½ cent sales tax.
6. **Approve Resolution 2010-578 authorizing the Mayor and City Clerk to grant the Quit Claim Deed and Temporary Construction Easement to IDOT subject to obtaining binding contracts for demolition of building at a price not to exceed sale proceeds.**

7. Approve recommendation from the Finance Committee to enter into a new agreement with Next Generation Wireless for cell phone services for all department of the City of Rock Falls at a cost of \$659.91 a month.
8. Approve Pay Request No. 1 to Murray & Sons Excavating in the amount of \$31,234.50 for work being done on the Parking lot improvements at the Rock Falls Electrical Department Building in the Industrial Park.
9. Approve recommendation of the Planning & Zoning Commission for the proposed preliminary plat for the Reliant Property Subdivision #2 as presented reducing the property to 6 Lots.
10. Approve the Grievance Procedure Policy under the Americans with Disabilities Act for the City of Rock Falls.

Motion: Hand; Second: Folsom to accept the consent agenda as presented. Vote: (8) ayes, motion carried.

Information/Correspondence:

City Attorney Reese introduced **Resolution 2010-579 authorizing acceptance of engagement letter with bond counsel Chapman and Cutler LLP of Chicago, for the upcoming issuance of general obligation bonds for the Electric Utilities. Motion: Folsom, Second: Hand; to accept the Resolution as presented. Vote: (8) ayes, motion carried.**

Alderman Snow made a **motion requesting the City of Rock Falls enter into an agreement with MSI Inc. Software for code enforcement at a price not to exceed \$9,000.00, following review of the contract by the City Attorney, second Alderman Vandersnick. Vote: (8) ayes, motion carried.**

Alderman Kuhlemier made a **motion to authorize the Mayor and City Clerk to sign the necessary documents to enter into an agreement with a local property owner for placement of a grant mural as part of the Lincoln Highway program. Second: Thurm, Vote: (8) ayes, motion carried.**

Mayor's Report:

The following items were brought to the Council for action by Mayor Blanton:

1. **Call to issue a BINA Executive Order for the City of Rock Falls to conduct a Public Hearing on June 15, 2010 at 6:30 p.m., concerning the City Council's intent to sell not to exceed \$1,555,000.00 General Obligation Bonds (Electric System Alternate Revenue Source). Motion: Folsom; Second: Thurm to hold necessary Public Hearing following necessary publication requirements. Vote: (8) ayes, motion carried.**
2. Appointment of Mr. Tony Sosi, 1000 Avenue A, Rock Falls to the Planning & Zoning Commission to fill the vacancy created with the resignation of Mr. Dave Erby on March 25, 2010. The term of appointment will be immediate and end on April 30, 2011. **Motion: Vandersnick, Second: Thurm to approve the appointment. Vote: (8) ayes, motion carried.**
3. **Request permission from the Council for the Mayor and City Clerk to sign the necessary agreements with Northern Illinois Services and Commonwealth Edison for work to be completed at the Reliant Property for a price not to exceed \$187,160.00. Motion: Folsom; Second: Snow to authorize the requested actions. Vote: (8) ayes, motion carried.**

Mayor Blanton informed the Council of the passing of Mr. Richard "Dick" Stinson this past week. Mr. Stinson was an active citizen of our community serving on many committees and participating in numerous community service clubs over the years. He was recognized with the Chamber Shoulder to the Wheel Award in the past recognizing his service to the community. A moment of silence was observed in his remembrance.

Mayor Blanton informed the Council of the tragic fire on this past Saturday, in which former Mayor Ted Aggen and his wife were seriously injured. The City sends its best to the Aggen's and will keep them in there prayers for continued recovery.

Executive Session:

Mayor Blanton requests the Council to enter ingot executive session for the following discussions and request that Commander Tammy Nelson be included in both sessions:

1. Personnel-Section 2(c)(1)
2. Collective Bargaining-Section 2(c)(2)

Motion: Thurm; Vandersnick to enter into executive session as requested. Vote: (8) ayes, motion carried: (In: 6:53 p.m.)

Motion by Alderman Snow and seconded by Ald. Thurm to return to regular session. Vote: (8) ayes, motion carried. (7:05 p.m.)

Motion: Snow; Second: Vandersnick to approve the personnel contracts of the Fire Chief, Deputy Fire Chief, Water/Acting Street Supt., Electrical Director, and Sewer Director. Vote: (8) ayes, motion carried.

With no other business to come before the Council, Mayor Blanton called for adjournment. Motion: Folsom; Second: Reitzel to adjourn. Vote: (8) ayes, motion carried.

Minutes will be approved at the June 15, 2010 Council meeting.

William B. Wescott, city Clerk