

REGULAR MEETING OF THE MAYOR AND ALDERMAN OF
THE CITY COUNCIL OF ROCK FALLS
July 6, 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., July 6, 2010 in Rock Falls, Illinois by Mayor David H. Blanton.

City Clerk, William B. Wescott, called the roll following the pledge of allegiance, present were Mayor Blanton, Alderman Vandernick, Reitzel, Snow, Kuhlemier, Schuneman, Hand and Folsom. In addition, City Administrator Richard Downey and Attorney Tom Sanders acting counsel were also in attendance.

Employee Retirement Recognition:

Chief Michael Kuelper introduced Officer Howard Melchi and shared with the Council the many highlights of Officer Melchi's career. He was sworn as an officer of the Department on April 7, 1980 and will be retiring with 30+ years of service on July 15, 2010. Officer Melchi was the first Dare Officer, Gang Officer, and Range Officer and was instrumental in contributing towards the advancement of the Department over the years. His service record and professionalism are examples for current and future officers to strive to achieve.

The Police Department and City Council presented Officer Melchi with his service revolver as a retirement gift. The weapon will be engraved to recognize his service record with the department. Council members saluted and gave officer Melchi a rounding applause.

New Employee Introduction:

Acting Street Supt. Ted Padilla introduced the Council the newest City employee in the Street Department, Mr. Cory L. Schryver. He thanked the Council for opportunity being given to him.

Audience Request:

Jane Saldivar representing the Latin American Club of Sterling informed the Council that the Annual Twin Cities Fiesta Day Parade is scheduled for Saturday, September 11, 2010. This year's parade will start in Rock Falls and precede Northbound into Sterling. She request permission for the parade to utilize City streets and the City request from IDOT the necessary parade permit. **Motion by Ald. Snow and seconded by Ald. Hand to grant the request. Vote (7) ayes, motion carried.**

Bethany Bland of Amped Productions addressed the Council and request the City grant permission for the 6th Annual Ampalooza Music Festival to be held at the Lower Dam Parking lot on Satur4day, August 14, 2010 from 10:30 am – 10:30 pm. In addition she request street closures as presented, partial closure of the parking lot on Thursday and Friday preceding the event and an extended amplifier permit until 11:00 pm on the day of the event. This event has proven itself in the past and brings large numbers of people into our community for the event. **Motion by Ald. Snow and seconded Ald. Vandernick to approve the request made in connection with this event. Vote, (7) ayes, motion carried.**

Mr. Rod G. Kleckler, 219 Avenue addressed the Council in regards to his concerns with current ordinances in regards to dos within the City. He and his wife in the past have unfortunately experienced an attack by dogs and he told the Council that his granddaughter recently was attacked by dogs that were running loose and left the yard of there owner.

Mayor Blanton interrupted Mr. Kleckler and asked him if this had been discussed with the Police and he replied no. Mayor Blanton requested that Mr. Kleckler schedule an appointment with himself and Police Chief to address his concerns, prior to the Council taking any actions or recommending the matter to committee. Mr. Kleckler agreed to follow that resolve.

Community Affairs:

Sandy Henrekin, Director of the Rock Falls Community Development Corporation informed the Council that there will be a seminar on Tuesday, July 13th for area businesses that have an interest in becoming suppliers for services to the new prison in Thompson. The seminar will assist business in learning the ins and outs of this process. In addition, she shared that the Bio-Pro project is moving along on schedule and it is hoped that ground breaking will be taking place during the early part of August.

Bethany Bland representing the Chamber of Commerce reminded the Council that this coming Saturday and Sunday is the annual Community Cook out to be held at Jeff Bright RV Sales on Industrial Park Road.

Ordinance: First Reading

1. 2010-2408; Amending Section 15-164. Private Sewage disposal, subparagraph (c) (g); Section 15-165. Toilet facilities required, Section 15-166. Connections; permit application fees.
2. 2010-2409; Appropriations Ordinance Fiscal Year 2011
3. 2010-2410; Amending Section 13-37. Surface restoration, subparagraph (g); Section 15-183. Same-Joints, materials, subparagraph (d)

Motion: Ald. Vandersnick; Second: Ald. Snow to approve all three Ordinances for first reading as presented. Vote: (7) ayes, motion carried.

Consent Agenda:

1. Approve minutes of June 15, 2010
2. Approve bills as presented
3. Approve lease/rental agreement with Pitney Bowes Global Financial Services, sixty (60) months at \$932.00/month billing quarterly \$2,796.00 for a D1950 Inserting system: 4 tower feed.
4. Approve Resolution 2010-581; Resolution Annexing Territory of the Illinois Department of Transportation on East Route 30.
5. Approve contract agreement between the City of Rock Falls and Sterling Environmental, LLC. for a Phase 1 Environmental Site Assessment for the south building, west adjacent parking lot, property east of the south building to the gravel roadway, and the roadway directly north of the south building for the fee of \$1,175.00
6. Approve at the request of the Sewer Department the following budgeted items in regards to the sewer line camera, from EJ Equipment of Manteno, Illinois (1) Multi-Conductor Reel Assembly, \$9,504.00 and (1) Electric Lift Controller, \$7,894.00.
7. Approve Resolution 2010-582; Resolution approving a license agreement with Rock Falls Elementary School District #13 granting permission to the City to enter onto school property for the purpose of placing a liner into sanitary sewer mains and by pass pumping regards to sewer mains which underlie Merrill School Building.
8. Approve Resolution 2010-583; Resolution by the City of Rock Falls requesting of the Department of Transportation, temporary closure of Illinois Route 40, a State

Highway in the City of Rock Falls from 1st Street to 10th Street on Saturday, September 11, 2010 for the Latin American Club from 1:30 pm to 3:30 pm.

9. Approve Lease Agreement No. 3088 with the Illinois Department of natural Resources which allows the City of Rock Falls to enter the property to operate and maintain a 12" storm pipe only at a fee of \$45.00 annually. The agreement shall be for a period of five (5) years beginning the 1st day of September 2010 and ending on the 31st day of August 2010.
10. Approve payment of \$6,682.00 to HD Utilities for twenty (20) electrical utility poles at a cost of \$334.10 each.
11. Approve payment of \$17,500.00 to the Illinois Environmental Protection Agency for NPDES/Sludge Permit.
12. Approve payment of \$15,000.00 to the Illinois Environmental Protection Agency for a new plant permit for the Wastewater treatment plant construction.
13. Approve Resolution 2010-584; Resolution approving a license agreement with Rock Falls Township High School District #301, granting permission to the City to enter onto school property for the purpose of placing a liner into the sanitary sewer main and by pass pumping regards to sewer mains which underlie Rock Falls High School.
14. Approve the recommendation of the Finance, Electric, and Public Works Committees for the Garbage Fund to pay \$13,000.00 for the upgrade to the utility billing software program thru Computer Software and Conversion Services.

Motion: Ald. Hand; Second: Ald. Schuneman to accept the consent agenda as presented.

Vote: (7) ayes, motion carried.

Information/Correspondence:

Brian Frickenstein, City Engineer reported to the Council that the 12th Avenue project is underway, with grinding tentatively scheduled to begin on July 17th. In addition, the E.6th Street/8th Avenue/Ada Street road projects will be seal coated and rock & chip surface application near the end of July.

Department Heads:

Electric:

Mr. Jakubczak presented the following:

1. Request the Council to give approval to the recommendation of the Electric Committee for the acceptance of the lone **bid submitted by Altofer, Inc. of Bartonville, Illinois for the South 14th Street Sub Station: (2) generator sets, one (1) 5,000 gallon fuel storage tank, and furnishing and erecting one (1) pre-engineered metal building at a cost of \$1,382,000.00. Motion: Ald. Hand; Seconded: Ald. Schuneman to accept the bid as presented with completion and review of all contracts by City Attorney. Vote: (7) ayes, motion carried.**
2. Mr. Jakubczak praised the members of the Electric Department for there response to the storms that hit the City on June 18th and June 23rd. Although there were power outages experienced, power was restored to the majority of City customers within 2 hours or less. This serves to identify the outstanding Department and its commitment to the customers that comprise the Rock Falls Electrical Utilities service area. The City Council extended there accolades for a job well done.

Water/Street:

Mr. Padilla presented the following:

1. Reported on the numerous projects underway, highlighting the joint efforts of the Street and Water Department employees in regards to the recent street projects on

- E. 6th and 8th Ave. This effort demonstrates the potential for other such projects to reduce the cost of road repairs, as well as, allow for more projects to be completed yearly.
2. Recognized the efforts of the Street and Water Departments in the cleanup of the City of Tree Debris. They were able to cover the 55 miles of City Streets and alleys in 16 hours. The City Council extended there accolades as well for a job well done.

Mayor's Request:

1. Request Council to accept recommendations for re-appointments for the following committees of the City for the terms as presented:
 - Planning/Zoning Commission
Matt Lillpop (04/30/2010-04/30/2014)
Donald Koehler (04/30/201-04/30/2014)
Ald. Mark Vandersnick (04/30/201-04/30/2014)
 - RFCDC Board
Doug Wiersema (RF Chamber) (05/01/2010-04/30/2011)
Ald. Daehle Reitzel (05/01/2010-04/30/2011)
 - Police/Fire Commission
Eric Arduini (06/30/201-06/30/2013)
 - Police Pension Board
Terry Gisi (07/01/2010-06/30/2012)

Motion: Ald. Schuneman; Seconded: Ald. Folsom to accept the appointments as presented. Vote: (7) ayes.

2. Request permission to have Wendler Engineering to apply for an Illinois Transportation Enhancement Grant for the Riverfront Property on behalf of the City.
Motion: Ald. Kuhlemier; seconded: Ald. Vandersnick to proceed with the application. Vote: (6) ayes (Mr. Folsom absent for the roll call), motion carried.

Adjournment:

With no other business to come before the Council, Mayor Blanton requests a motion for adjournment. **Motion: Ald. Folsom; second: Ald. Reitzel for adjournment. Vote (7) ayes, motion carried.**

Minutes will be presented for approval at the July 20, 2010 meeting of the Council.

William B. Wescott, City Clerk