

REGULAR MEETING OF THE MAYOR AND ALDERMAN OF
THE CITY OF ROCK FALLS
November 2, 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., November 2, 2010 in Rock Falls, Illinois by Mayor Pro Tem Glen Kuhlemier.

City Clerk, William B. Wescott, called the roll following the pledge of allegiance, present were Mayor Pro Tem Kuhlemier, Alderman Vandersnick, Reitzel, Snow, Schuneman, Hand, Folsom and Thurm. In addition, City Administrator Richard Downey and City Attorney Jim Reese were present.

Employee recognition:

City Administrator Downey introduced our (2) two newest employees to the Council. Jenna Kuster (05/03/10) and Stephanie Johnson (10/11/10) both are employed in the positions of Utility Clerks in the City's Customer Service Center. Both ladies thanked the Council for the opportunity that has been extended to them with the positions.

Community Affairs:

Sand Henriken, Executive Director, Rock Falls Community Development Corporation announced to the Council that on October 29, 2010 Governor Quinn announced nearly \$90 million for Transportation Enhancement Projects in Illinois as part of the Illinois Transportation Enhancement Program (ITEP). Rock Falls received a \$240,000 grant for the Engineering study of the Riverside Bike & Walk Trailhead Corridor. The Grant 80-20, which will obligate the City through whatever sources, to contribute \$60,000 to the project by the year 2015, bring the total grant to \$300,000.

Ordinance: First Reading

1. 2010-2428; Ordinance approving Revised Zoning Map
2. 2010-2429; Ordinance Amending Sec. 5-71; Sec. 5-85, Sec. 5-90, Sec. 5-221, Sec. 5-291, Sec. 5-310, Sec. 7-51.
3. 2010-2430; Ordinance Amending Sec. 7-56 and Sec. 7-57
Motion: Ald. Vandersnick, Second: Ald. Snow to approve the ordinances as presented for first reading.
Vote: (8) ayes, motion carried.

Ordinance: Second Reading/Adoption

1. 2010-2427; Ordinance Making Technical Corrections in the Municipal Code.
Motion: Alderman Snow; Second: Alderman Thurm to adopt the ordinance as presented. Vote: (8) ayes, motion carried.

Consent Agenda:

1. Approve Minutes of October 19, 2010
2. Approve Bills as presented.
3. Approve proposal of Altorfer Power Systems to install diesel oxidation catalyst on two (2) of our existing Caterpillar 6516 power module units at the Avenue A substation. The cost will include the DOC, monitoring equipment and closed crankcase ventilation system. Price per unit is \$52,800 for a total of \$105,600.00
4. Approve expenditure of \$45,000 to Ringland Johnson + Design, Inc. for architectural drawings, design plans; cost estimates; revision drawings, review third party bids; \$3,603.70 to the Rock Falls Community Development Corporation for Administrative costs related to grant administration. Total Expenditures requested \$48,603.70. Payment from the DCEO Program ARRA Economic Development Grant.
Motion: Ald. Hand, Second: Ald. Schuneman to accept the items of the consent agenda as presented. Vote: (8) ayes, motion carried.

City Administrator:

Mr. Downey informed the Council that he had spoken with Mayor Blanton earlier in the day. The Mayor is still undergoing medical testing as part of his pre-surgical intervention. Last meeting of the Council, action was taken to name Ald. Glen Kuhlemier to the Mayor Pro Tem through November 17, 2010. Due to the delays in the scheduled surgery and post rehabilitation, the length of time for the appointment should be extended. Motion Ald. Schuneman, Second: Ald. Snow to extend the status of Mayor Pro Tem currently held by Ald. Kuhlemier until December 7, 2010. Vote: (7) ayes, (1) abstention (Ald. Kuhlemier) Motion carried.

Information/Correspondence:

William B. Wescott, City Clerk presented the following:

1. Introduced the newly assigned reporter for the Sauk Valley Newspapers that is now assigned to cover the City of Rock Falls. Her name Kiran Sood and she received a warm welcome from the Council.
2. A letter of correspondence was read from Ms. Janice Constanzo at 1017 Charles Street, thanking the City for the recent repairs and modifications completed to her residence as a result of the MARS program. All of the modifications done have increased her ability to remain an independent member of the community.

Department Heads:

Building Department – Mr. searing reported that the joint venture between Sterling and Rock Falls for the Adjudication Hearing Officer continues to move along. He invited all Alderman and Department Heads to a trial Hearing to be held on Tuesday, November 16, 2010 at 10:00 a.m. in the Sterling City Council Chambers. The first hearings will begin in December 2010.

Executive Session:

Mayor Pro Tem Kuhlemier request a motion to go into executive session for the purpose of Collective Bargaining Section 2(c) (2). Motion: Ald. Thurm, Second: Ald. Vandersnick to enter executive session as requested by Mr. Kuhlemier. Vote: (8 ayes), motion carried. (IN: 6:52 p.m.)

Motion by Ald. Snow and seconded, Ald. Thurm to leave executive session and return to regular session. Vote: (8) ayes, motion carried. (OUT: 7:36 pm)

Motion by Ald. Reitzel and seconded by Ald. Thurm to reject last best offer from the Fraternal Order of Police on behalf of the Rock Falls Police Lodge #215. Vote: (8) ayes.

Adjournment:

With no other business to come before the Council, Motion: Ald. Folsom, Second: Ald. Reitzel to adjourn. Vote (8) ayes, motion carried.

Approved: November 16, 2010

William B. Wescott, City Clerk