

REGULAR MEETING OF THE MAYOR AND ALDERMAN OF
THE CITY OF ROCK FALLS
September 4, 2012

The regular meeting of the Mayor and Alderman of the City of Rock Falls was called to order at 6:30 p.m. on August 21, 2012 in Rock Falls, Illinois by Mayor David Blanton, City Clerk, William Wescott, called the roll following the pledge of allegiance, present was Ald. Vandersnick, Reitzel, Snow, Kuhlemier, Schuneman, Hand, Folsom. In addition, Attorney Tom Sanders and City Administrator Robbin Blackert were present.

Community Affairs:

City Adm. Robbin Blackert shared several dates of importance on behalf for the Chamber of Commerce. September 14th from 11am to 1 pm will be the Annual employee recognition cookout; September 20th, BAH for September will be held at the Silicon Wrench; September 22-23 is the Annual Garage Sales Days in Rock Falls and Sterling.

Ordinances: Second Reading/Adoption

1. Ordinance 2012-2074; Ordinance Directing the Advertisement for Bids to Sell Surplus Real Estate located at 812 Avenue A; Pin # 11-27-351-017.
Motion: Ald. Vandersnick; Second: Ald. Reitzel to approve the ordinance as presented for second reading and adoption. Vote: six (6) Ayes, motion carried.
2. Ordinance 2012-2075; Ordinance Authorizing Mayor to Execute Contract for the Demolition of Residential Property Located At 503 Pleasant Street, Rock Falls, Illinois.
Motion: Ald. Kuhlemier; Second: Ald. Vandersnick to approve the ordinance as presented for second reading and adoption. Vote: six (6), Ayes motion carried.
3. Ordinance 2012-2076: An Amendment to an Ordinance Establishing an Enterprise Zone within the Illinois Counties of Whiteside and Carroll. Adding territory for the cities of Sterling and Rock Falls to the Whiteside Carroll Enterprise Zone, as well as, an amendment to the Intergovernmental on fee change.
Motion: Ald. Kuhlemier; Second: Ald. Schuneman to accept the ordinance as presented for second reading and adoption. Vote: six (6) Ayes, motion carried.

Consent Agenda:

1. Approve the Minutes of the August 22, 2012
2. Approve the bills as presented
3. Proclamation: Proclaiming September 2012 as **"No Text on Board-Pledge Month"** Co-sponsored by the Illinois Municipal League and AT&T.
4. Approve Resolution 2012-643; Resolution requesting IDOT to grant authorization for the **"Hometown Holidays Parade"** on Route 40 and Illinois State Highway, November 17, 2012 during the hours of 12:30 p.m. to 2:00 p.m...
5. Approve the revised Loan Amendment to previously approved Loan Agreement #L17/-3012 with the Illinois Environmental Protection Agency for the Installation of emergency generators and security fencing at seven (7) lift stations and the Lining of 775 lineal feet of 24 inch sanitary sewer and 350 feet of 12 inch sanitary sewer. \$2,597.00 for construction period interest and \$459,070.78 for project costs.
Motion: Ald. Hand; Second: Ald. Vandersnick to accept the consent agenda as presented. Vote six (6) Ayes, motion carried.

City Administrator: Robbin D. Blackert

Adm. Blackert presented two items of information for the Council:

1. The Utility Service Partyers will be sending out the information on voluntary insurance for water at a cost of \$4.75 a month.

2. The Neon Moon property located at 1515 W. Rt. 30, which the City has gained a judicial deed on, recently via the Industrial Development Commission, entered into an agreement with a local business owner for the sale of the property.

Information/Correspondence

William B. Wescott, City Clerk shared the following with the Council:

1. Informed the citizens that September 25, 2012 will be the first day for petitions to be taken out for the Consolidated Elections in April 2013. Any questions should be directed to the City Clerk's Office.
2. Announced this year's date of the **Stock up our Local Food Pantries Day**, which has all three area High Schools working together to collect food products from the residents of Sterling and Rock Falls. This year's date is set for Wednesday, October 3, 2012.
3. City of Rock Falls received word from the Office of the Governor that they will be receiving an additional \$41,603.00 in MFT funds this year via the 2009 Illinois Jobs Now initiative which is scheduled to run over five (5) years.
4. Faith Baptist Church 2005 Freeport Road, Sterling will be holding a recognition service for the area law enforcement personnel and their families on October 21, 2012.
5. Street Department and the City received a "thank you" from the members of the First Methodist Church for repairs that were made to their sidewalk in a timely fashion

Ward Reports:

Ald. Schuneman wished his wife of 41 years a very "Happy Anniversary".

Mayor's Request:

Mayor Blanton announced that the Northern Illinois Mayor's Association meeting is scheduled for Thursday, September 20th. Anyone wishing to attend should contact Sylvia for reservations.

Adjournment:

With no other business to come before the Council, Mayor Blanton called for a motion to adjourn. **Motion: Ald. Folsom; Second: Ald. Reitzel; Vote: six (6) Ayes, motion carried.(OUT: 6:50 p.m.)**