

REGULAR MEETING MINUTES OF THE MAYOR AND
ALDERMEN OF THE CITY OF ROCK FALLS

August 1st, 2017

The regular meeting of the Mayor and City Council of Rock Falls, Illinois was called to order at 6:30 p.m. on August 1st, 2017 in the Council Chambers of Rock Falls. A motion was made by Alderman Logan, and second by Alderman Reitzel to name Alderman Glen Kuhlemier as the acting chairperson of the meeting in the absence of Mayor Wescott.

Viva Voce Vote, motion carried

City Clerk Eric Arduini called the roll following the pledge of allegiance. A quorum was present including Aldermen Reitzel, Logan, Snow, Kuhlemier, Schuneman, Kleckler and Sobottka. Aldermen Folsom was absent. In addition Attorney Tom Sanders and City Administrator Robbin Blackert were present.

Consent Agenda:

The consent agenda was read aloud by Clerk Arduini. A motion to approve the consent agenda as presented by omnibus designation was made by Alderman Snow and second by Alderman Sobottka.

1. Approve the Minutes of the July 18th, 2017 Regular Council Meeting.
2. Approval of bills as presented.

Vote 7 aye, motion carried

Ordinance First Reading

A motion was made by Alderman Schuneman, and second by Alderman Sobottka for the approval of **Ordinance 2017-2330** Addition of Article 11.5 to Chapter 16 – Food Truck Vendor License.

Vote 7 aye, motion carried

City Administrator Robbin D. Blackert:

A motion was made by Alderman Logan, and second by Alderman Schuneman for the approval of the Code Enforcement job description.

Vote 7 aye, motion carried

Administrator Blackert informed the Council that the contractor for the Limestone Building has been moving ahead and doing a good job even though the funding did not come from the IEPA in a timely manner. The crews removed 13 semi loads today, and the air quality tests were extremely good. They did have one issue when a corner of the building fell onto the fence.

After the RB&W Park dedication, EPA and IEPA personnel visited the former Parrish Alford site. They are interested in helping the City finish the assessment and cleanup of the site by reopening the NFR, and finding additional funds to help remediate the area.

The USEPA took video from the park dedication, and sent word of the 11 year progress from a judicial deed to redevelopment to Washington DC as a poster child of what the brownfield program can do. Adm. Blackert thanked everyone for their help with the park dedication. Administrator Blackert gave an overview of all of the upcoming sesquicentennial celebration events.

Alderman Kuhlemier recommended everyone visit the displays at the Rock Falls High School.

Information/Correspondence:

Clerk Arduini wished the Mayor to get well soon.

Tom Sanders wished Mayor Wescott a speedy recovery.

Department Heads:

Electric- Dick Simon

A motion was made by Alderman Schuneman, and second by Alderman Logan for the approval of the recommendation of the Utility Committee for the purchase of the 35kV breaker for the Avenue A Substation to the low bid - ABB Inc. 655 Century Point Lake Mary, FL 32746 in the amount of \$32,820.00.

Vote 7 aye, motion carried

Building Inspector - Mark Searing

A motion was made by Alderman Snow and second by Alderman Sobottka for the approval of **Resolution 2017-768** authorizing execution of agreement for disposition of real estate and termination of litigation for the property at 601 West 7th Street contingent upon the City's receipt of an executed deed, and executed contract prior to the signing of the contract.

Vote 7 aye, motion carried

Utility Office - Diane Hatfield

A motion was made by Alderman Logan and second by Alderman Schuneman for the approval of Utility Office write-offs April - June 2017 in the amount of \$15,099.02.

Vote 7 aye, motion carried

Ward Reports:

Ward 1:

Alderman Daehle Reitzel reminded the Council that the Public Works - Public Property Committee will be at 8:15am on August 4th in the Council Chambers. He also would like prayers for Mayor Bill.

Alderman Logan gave best wishes for Mayor Wescott.

Ward 2:

Alderman Glen Kuhlemier gave his best wishes to Mayor Wescott, and expressed his surprise for the accolades given to him at the Sesquicentennial Ball.

Alderman Snow wishes the Mayor a speedy recovery, and he recommends that people go to see the items from the time capsule at the High School.

Ward 3:

Alderman Jim Schuneman gave best wishes to the Mayor, and congratulations to Alderman Kuhlemier for being Grand Marshall of the parade.

Ward 4:

Alderman Sobottka wished the Mayor a speedy recovery. She gave congratulations to Alderman Kuhlemier for the plaque being given to him at the Ball. Alderman Sobottka will be a parade judge, so she will not be on the Fire Truck.

A motion was made by Alderman Schuneman, and second by Alderman Snow to enter executive session for Personnel 2(c)(1) Broadband Supervisor discussion.

Vote 7 aye, motion carried

City Council enters executive session at 6:51pm
City Council returns to regular session at 7:17pm

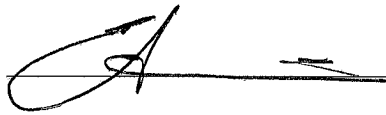
A motion was made by Alderman Sobottka, and second by Alderman Reitzel to present an employment contract for Broadband Supervisor to Wayne Shafer.

Vote 7 aye, motion carried

With nothing else for the good of the Council a motion was made by Alderman Sobottka and second by Alderman Snow to adjourn the meeting at 7:19 pm.

Viva Voce Vote, motion carried

Meeting is adjourned at 7:19pm



Eric Arduini, City Clerk