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

# May 1st, 2018

The regular meeting of the Mayor and City Council of Rock Falls, Illinois was called to order by Mayor William B. Wescott at 6:30 p.m. on May 1st, 2018 in the Council Chambers of Rock Falls.

City Clerk Eric Arduini called the roll following the pledge of allegiance. A quorum was present including Aldermen Daehle Reitzel, George Logan Jr., Brian Snow, Glen Kuhlemier, Jim Schuneman, Rod Kleckler, Lee Folsom, and Violet Sobottka. In addition City Attorney Jim Reese and City Administrator Robbin Blackert were present.

#### Consent Agenda:

The consent agenda was read aloud by City Clerk Eric Arduini. There was a correction to the minutes concerning a salary increase for Wayne Shaffer. A motion to approve consent agenda by omnibus designation was made by Alderman Snow and second by Alderman Folsom.

- 1. Approval of the Minutes of the April 17th, 2018 and April 24th, 2018 City Council Meetings.
- 2. Approval of bills as presented.
- **3.** Approval of **Resolution 2018-789** waiving the first and second reading of the corrected version of **Ordinance 2018-2362**.
- **4.** Approval of the Director of Electric Utility job description.
- 5. Approval of the Electric Operations Manager job description.

#### Vote 8 aye, motion carried

# **Ordinance First Reading:**

A motion was made by Alderman Kuhlemier, and second by Alderman Logan to approve the first reading of the following ordinances:

- 1. Approval of **Ordinance 2018-2375** authorizing the issuance of Electric Revenue Bonds of the City of Rock Falls, Whiteside County, Illinois, in an aggregate principal amount not to exceed \$9,200,000, or in lieu thereof, General Obligation Bonds (Electric System Alternate Revenue Source) in an aggregate principal amount not to exceed \$9,200,000 for the purpose of paying the costs of improving the electric system of the City.
- 2. Approval of **Ordinance 2018-2376** authorizing the issuance of Sewerage Revenue Bonds of the City of Rock Falls, Whiteside County, Illinois, in an aggregate principal amount of not to exceed \$1,200,000, or in lieu thereof, General Obligation Bonds (Sewerage System Alternate Revenue Source) in an aggregate principal amount not to exceed \$1,200,000 for the purpose of paying the costs of improving the sewerage system of the City.

- 3. Approval of **Ordinance 2018-2377** authorizing the issuance of Waterworks Revenue Bonds of the City of Rock Falls, Whiteside County, Illinois, in an aggregate principal amount of \$1,200,000, or in lieu thereof, General Obligation Bonds (Waterworks System Alternate Revenue Source) in an aggregate principal amount not to exceed \$1,200,000 for the purpose of paying the costs of improving the waterworks system of the City.
- 4. Approval of **Ordinance 2018-2378** amending Section 32-122 Bulk Purchasers of Water; Rates

Viva Voce Vote, motion carried

# Ordinance Second Reading / Adoption:

A motion was made by Alderman Snow, and second by Alderman Logan for the adoption **Ordinance 2018-2364** Adoption of the International Residential Code of 2015. **Vote 8 aye, motion carried** 

A motion was made by Alderman Logan, and second by Alderman Schuneman for the adoption of **Ordinance 2018-2365** Adoption of the International Fire Code of 2015. **Vote 8 aye, motion carried** 

A motion was made by Alderman Kuhlemier, and second by Alderman Folsom for the adoption of **Ordinance 2018-2366** Adoption of the National Electric Code of 2014. **Vote 8 aye, motion carried** 

A motion was made by Alderman Snow, and second by Alderman Schuneman for the adoption of **2018-2367** Adoption of the Property Maintenance Code of 2015. **Vote 8 aye, motion carried** 

A motion was made by Alderman Logan, and second by Alderman Snow for the adoption of **Ordinance 2018-2368** Adoption of the International Mechanical Code of 2015. **Vote 8 aye, motion carried** 

A motion was made by Alderman Logan, and second by Alderman Folsom for the adoption of **Ordinance 2018-2369** Adoption of the International Fuel Gas Code of 2015. **Vote 8 aye, motion carried** 

A motion was made by Alderman Snow, and second by Alderman Logan for the adoption **Ordinance 2018-2370** Adoption of the International Building Code of 2015. **Vote 8 aye, motion carried** 

A motion was made by Alderman Snow, and second by Alderman Schuneman for the adoption of **Ordinance 2018-2371** Adoption of the International Existing Building Code of 2015. **Vote 8 aye, motion carried** 

A motion was made by Alderman Schuneman, and second by Alderman Logan for the adoption of **Ordinance 2018-2360** governing Interconnective Services to the City of Rock Falls Electric Distribution System.

Vote 8 aye, motion carried

A motion was made by Alderman Folsom and second by Alderman Sobottka for the adoption of **Ordinance 2018-2362** correcting Ordinance 2018-2362

# Vote 8 aye, motion carried

# City Administrator, Robbin Blackert:

A motion was made by Alderman Kleckler, and second by Alderman Schuneman for the approval of signing a letter of Engagement with Chapman & Cutler for services as bond counsel – Bond Issue for Avenue A Electric Substation and Water and Sewer Extension to Schmitt Addition.

# Vote 8 aye, motion carried

A motion was made by Alderman Kuhlemier, and second by Alderman Schuneman for the approval of signing a letter of Engagement with Robert W. Baird & Co. Inc. for services as managing underwriter of the proposed offering and issuance of the Securities – Bond Issue for Avenue A Electric Substation and Water and Sewer Extension to Schmitt Addition.

## Vote 8 aye, motion carried

City Administrator Robbin Blackert informed the Council that the South 14th Avenue construction signs went up, and construction will begin on Thursday. The work will begin at Route 30 and extend south to the City limits. Other work by the township and county may be done farther south.

Administrator Blackert reminded the Council that the south door at City Hall will be closed, and is not a public entrance. The door will be kept locked, but it can still be used as an exit.

## **Department Heads:**

Fire Chief-Chief Gary Cook

A motion was made by Alderman Logan and second by Alderman Folsom for the approval of the recommendation of the Personnel Committee for the hourly rate of the Paid on Call Firefighters to be increased from \$9.00 to \$10.00 effective immediately. The budgeted line item will cover the increase. The last increase was in 2008.

## Vote 8 aye, motion carried

#### Water - Ted Padilla

A motion was made by Alderman Schuneman and second by Alderman Sobottka to waive the formal bidding process for the West 5th Street & 12th Avenue valve installation and approve the following contracts upon review by the City Attorney.

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UECO - 3739 State St. Bettendorf, IA 52722	\$15,000
Behren's Excavation - 2608 Prophet Rd, Rock Falls, IL	\$2900.00
Selco - PO Box 137 East Dubuque, IL.	\$3500.00

#### Utility Office - Diane Hatfield

A motion was made by Alderman Logan, and second by Alderman Kuhlemier for the approval of write-offs from the Utility office for the period of January 2018 to March 2018 in the amount of \$9,927.73. Superintendent Hatfield informed the Council that in FY17 the percentage

written off versus the amount billed was .6 of one percent. In FY18 the amount was .3 of one percent.

## Vote 8 aye, motion carried

Broadband - Wayne Shafer

A motion was made by Alderman Schuneman, and second by Alderman Kuhlemier to approve the neighborhood design fiber engineering agreement with Tachyon Fiber Design, LLC, 4645 Boardwalk Dr., Evansville, IN in the amount of \$125,600.

#### Vote 8 aye, motion carried

A motion was made by Alderman Kuhlemier, and second by Alderman Schuneman to approve a Fiber Records Management system agreement with Tachyon Fiber Design, LLC 4645 Boardwalk Dr., Evansville, IN in the amount of \$27,720 and \$450 per month. This will be month to month, and will keep records for as-builts and changes to the system. It could be cancelled if the City is able to manage the records in house.

#### Vote 8 aye, motion carried

# Ward Reports:

#### Ward 1:

Alderman Daehle Reitzel reminded the Council that the Public Works – Public Property Committee will be held on Friday at 8:15am.

Alderman Logan gave a job well done to the Fire Department as they had two MABAS calls in one day.

#### Ward 2

Alderman Glen Kuhlemier remarked about all of the stub ends of the fiber showing from the fiber project going throughout the town. He congratulates the Fiber Department for all of their work.

#### Mayor's Report

Mayor Bill Wescott called for a Public Hearing for General Obligation Bonds (Electric System Alternate Revenue Source), General Obligation Bonds (Waterworks System Alternate Revenue Source), and General Obligation Bonds (Sewerage System Alternate Revenue Source) to be held at 6:30pm on May 15th, 2018.

Mayor Wescott explained that the Economic Development contract with Retail Attractions has gone on for two years at a cost of \$3700.00 per month. Due to the situation on the riverfront property, and having no positive progress with the interstate properties he recommends that the contract be terminated immediately. A motion was made by Alderman Logan, and second by Alderman Snow to terminate the contract with Retail Attractions.

## Vote 8 aye, motion carried

A preconstruction meeting for the  $14^{th}$  Avenue and  $13^{th}$  Avenue project will be held at City Hall on Wednesday May  $2^{nd}$  at 9:00am.

With nothing else for the good of the Council a motion was made by Alderman Folsom and second by Alderman Sobottka to adjourn the meeting at 7:05pm.

Viva Voce Vote, motion carried

Meeting is adjourned at 7:05pm

Eric Arduini, City Clerk