

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

July 3rd, 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 July 3rd, 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, and Lee Folsom. Alderman Violet Sobottka was absent. In addition City Administrator Robbin Blackert and City Attorney Jim Reese were present.

**Consent Agenda:**

The consent agenda was read aloud by City Clerk Eric Arduini. A motion to approve consent agenda as read by omnibus designation was made by Alderman Snow and second by Alderman Folsom.

1. Approval of the Minutes of the June 19th, 2018 Regular Council Meeting.
2. Approval of bills as presented.

**Vote 7 aye, motion carried**

**Ordinance First Reading:**

A motion was made by Alderman Snow, and second by Alderman Folsom for the approval of the first reading of **Ordinance 2018-2387** Amending Chapter 26 for the regulation and application for small wireless facilities. City attorney Jim Reese informed the Council that the State Statute requires that any ordinances regulating small wireless facilities must be in place by August 1<sup>st</sup>, 2018. Without an ordinance, companies may place them in any right of way. The draft for review will be changed before the second reading to have the appeal process go through the Utilities Committee rather than the Zoning Board.

**Viva Voce Vote, motion carried**

**Ordinance Second Reading / Adoption**

1. A motion was made by Alderman Schuneman, and second by Alderman Logan for the adoption of **Ordinance 2018-2386** Prevailing Wage Ordinance 2018.

**Vote 7 aye, motion carried**

2. A motion was made by Alderman Kuhlemier, and second by Alderman Folsom for the adoption of **Ordinance 2018-2388** FY 19 Appropriation Ordinance.

**Vote 7 aye, motion carried**

**Information/Correspondence:**

Eric Arduini, City Clerk

City Clerk Eric Arduini informed the Council that a thank you card had been received from scholarship winner Hannah Rockwell, and from George Logan Jr.

**Department Heads:**

Electric – Dick Simon

A motion was made by Alderman Schuneman, and second by Alderman Logan for the approval of the low bid by Pirtano Construction Co, Inc. 1766 Armitage Ct. Addison IL 60101 in the amount of \$74,070.00 for boring in four locations.

**Vote 7 aye, motion carried**

A motion was made by Alderman Schuneman, and second by Alderman Kuhlemier for the purchase of a 2019 International 4300 Digger Derrick to Altec 2106 S. Riverside Road, St. Joseph, Missouri 64507 in the amount of \$251,231.00. Alderman Kleckler asked about trade in value, and the difference between the two trucks.

**Vote 7 aye, motion carried**

A motion was made by Alderman Schuneman, and second by Alderman Logan for the purchase of a 2018 International 4300 Digger Derrick to Altec 2106 S. Riverside Road, St. Joseph, Missouri 64507 in the amount of \$240,694.00.

**Vote 7 aye, motion carried**

A motion was made by Alderman Kuhlemier, and second by Alderman Snow for the approval of the energy efficiency grant application for St. Andrews School in the amount of \$5,000.

**Vote 7 aye, motion carried**

Police – Doug Coppotelli

A motion was made by Alderman Snow, and second by Alderman Reitzel for the approval of the Taser Assurance Plan and agreements with Axon Enterprises 17800 N. 85th St. Scottsdale AZ. for car cameras, body camera, and software at a cost of \$35,034.00 for year one, and \$22,623 annually for years 2-5 upon review and approval of the City Attorney. Alderman Logan asked if there were any other costs. Commander Coppotelli informed the Council that the storage costs were estimated at what the City would use. If the amount of storage needed is less, the costs could be lower.

**Vote 7 aye, motion carried**

Fire Chief- Chief Gary Cook

A motion was made by Alderman Logan, and second by Alderman Reitzel for the approval of **Resolution 2018-794** ratifying application for a grant to the Office of State Fire Marshall for SCBA cylinders in the amount of \$26,000. Chief Cook added that Captain Nate Hartman had applied for the grant, and this will replace 35 breathing tank bottles. The chief also informed the Council that the Department has received a grant from Nelson Energy to upgrade the lights on Engine 41 to LED.

**Vote 7 aye, motion carried**

Broadband – Wayne Shafer

Wayne Shafer explained that due to existing overhead air conditioning leaks near equipment, he is asking to waive the bid process for replacement of the air conditioning unit. A motion was made by Alderman Schuneman, and second by Alderman Kuhlemier to waive the formal bid process, and grant authority to award a bid not to exceed \$30,000 with the contact person being the City Administrator.

**Vote 7 aye, motion carried**

**Ward Reports:**

**Ward 1:**

Alderman Daehle Reitzel read a letter from his brother-in-law which praised the Fire Department for working with the community youth in fire education.

**Ward 2:**

Alderman Glen Kuhlemier wished everyone a Happy 4<sup>th</sup> of July, and expressed concerns over the permitted fireworks sales in Iowa.

Alderman Brian Snow wished everyone a safe and happy 4<sup>th</sup> of July.

**Mayor's Report:**

Mayor Wescott informed the Council that the building permits are \$5M higher this year than last for the first 6 months of the year. Two new duplexes are being built in the Benchmark subdivision.

Alderman Kleckler asked about the building at the corner of East 2<sup>nd</sup> Street, and 1<sup>st</sup> Avenue. Mayor Wescott informed him that the City is meeting with the owner on Thursday concerning the building.

Mayor Wescott informed the Council that there is an elected officials IEMA open house scheduled for August 1<sup>st</sup> at Sauk Valley Community College from 9:30am to 1:30pm.

With nothing else for the good of the Council a motion was made by Alderman Folsom, and second by Alderman Snow to adjourn at 6:55pm.

**Viva Voce Vote, motion carried**

Meeting is adjourned at 6:55pm



Eric Arduini, City Clerk