

REGULAR MEETING MINUTES OF THE MAYOR AND  
ALDERMEN OF THE CITY OF ROCK FALLS  
December 4th, 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 December 4th, 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, Brian Snow, Glen Kuhlemier, Jim Schuneman, Rod Kleckler, Lee Folsom, and Violet Sobottka. In addition City Administrator Robbin Blackert and Attorney Tom Sanders were present.

**Consent Agenda:**

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

1. Approval of the Minutes of the November 20th, 2018 Regular Council Meeting.
2. Approval of the bills as presented.

**Vote 7 Aye, motion carried**

**Ordinance Second Reading / Adoption:**

A motion was made by Alderman Kuhlemier, and second by Alderman Schuneman for the adoption of **Ordinance 2018-2403** Fiscal Year 19 Tax Levy.

**Vote 7 Aye, motion carried**

**City Administrator Robbin Blackert:**

City Administrator Robbin Blackert introduced the new Tourism Director Megan Horsman to the City Council.

**Information/Correspondence:**

Eric Arduini, City Clerk

Clerk Arduini informed the Council that nomination petitions will be accepted from December 10th through December 17th for the April 2nd consolidated election.

**Alderman Reports/Committee Chairman Requests:**

**2nd Ward**

Alderman Kuhlemier gave his sympathies to Bob O'Donnell on the loss of his wife Lana.

The Finance Meeting has been moved to December 17th at 5:30pm.

### 3rd Ward

A motion was made by Alderman Schuneman and second by Alderman Kuhlemier for the approval of **Resolution 2018-807** approving the agreement to defer enforcement of Section 32-215 of the Municipal Code. The Council discussed the issue that the Sweitzer residence is in violation, and the other house is not. The five year agreement will help financially for the homeowners to comply.

**Vote 7 Aye, motion carried**

Alderman Schuneman reported that the bald eagles are back. Mr. Schuneman will be gone for the next two weeks

Alderman Klecker stated that he will handle the eagle watch and field any special complaints from the ward in Alderman Schuneman's absence.

### Mayor's Report

A motion was made by Alderman Folsom, and second by Alderman Sobottka for the acceptance of the resignation of Alderman George Logan Jr. Mayor Wescott explained that under state statute the Mayor has the authority to interview candidates and he will make an effort to have someone to present to fill the position by the December 18th Council meeting.

**Vote 7 Aye, motion carried**

Mayor Wescott informed the Council of the resignation of employee Sylvia Frey who will be leaving on January 18th after eighteen years with the City.

The Christmas party will be held on December 15th from 5pm to 7pm.

The first Council meeting in 2019 will be held on Wednesday, January 2nd, 2019.

### Executive Session:

A motion was made by Alderman Sobottka and second by Alderman Snow to enter executive session for Section 2(c)(11) Pending , probable, or imminent litigation., and Section 2(c)(2) Collective Bargaining with Building inspector Mark Searing to be included.

**Vote 7 Aye, motion carried**

City Council enters executive session at 6:43pm

City Council returns to regular session at 7:10

### Adjournment

With nothing else for the good of the Council, a motion was made by Alderman Folsom, and second by Alderman Sobottka to adjourn at 7:10pm

**Viva Voce Vote, motion carried**

 City Clerk Eric Arduini