

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

September 3, 2019

The regular meeting of the Mayor and City Council of Rock Falls, Illinois was called to order at 6:30 p.m. September 3, 2019 in the Council Chambers by Mayor William B. Wescott.

Deputy City Clerk Michelle Conklin called the roll following the pledge of allegiance. A quorum was present including Mayor William B. Wescott, Aldermen Palmer, Wangelin, Snow, Kuhlemier, Kleckler and Sobottka, Alderman Schuneman and Folsom being absent. In addition Attorney Matt Cole and City Administrator Robbin Blackert were present.

Rene Sotelo addressed the City Council on concerns that he and the other liquor license holders have with Ordinance 2019-2441 in regards to the increase in the number of licenses that could be issued. The last 8 licenses that were issued were interested only in the gaming side of the business. Before any increase in the amount of licenses that can be issued, we need to look at how the effects will be on your local bar owners that have that Class A Liquor License.

Consent Agenda items 1 through 3 were read aloud by Deputy City Clerk Michelle Conklin.

1. Approval of the Minutes of the August 20, 2019 Regular Council Meeting
2. Approval of the Minutes of the August 26, 2019 Committee of the Whole Meeting
3. Approval of bills as presented

A motion was made by Alderman Snow and second by Alderman Sobottka to approve Consent Agenda items 1 through 3.

Vote 6 aye, motion carried.

A motion was made by Alderman Sobottka and second by Alderman Wangelin to pull Ordinance No. 2019-2441 – Amending Chapter 16, Article V, Division 2, Number of Class A Liquor Licenses, and return to the Ordinance-License-Personnel-Safety Committee for further review.

Vote 4 aye, 1 abstention (Snow), 1 nay (Kleckler), motion carried.

A motion was made by Alderman Kuhlemier and second by Alderman Snow to approve Ordinance No. 2019-2442 – Authorizing a Variance pursuant to the petition of the Rock Falls Industrial Development Commission at 103 Clearwater Drive, Rock Falls, IL 61071.

Vote 5 aye, 1 nay (Kleckler), motion carried.

City Administrator Blackert thanked the department heads that worked with Duff and Phelps last week. Duff and Phelps is a contractor that was hired by our Municipal Insurance Company to perform on site building appraisals of all the City's buildings. They came into town on a two day notice and were with us for four days, the department heads showed him all their facilities. He came in on his last day here and said that he goes to cities all over the country and said that we have a great group of people here.

A motion was made by Alderman Kuhlemier and second by Alderman Sobottka to approve the purchase of a Schwarze A9 Monsoon Regenerative Air Sweeper from R.N.O.W., Inc. 8636R West National Avenue, West Allis, Wisconsin 53227 in the amount of \$234,825.00.

Vote 6 aye, motion carried.

A motion was made by Alderman Kuhlemier and second by Alderman Wangelin to finance the purchase of the Schwarze A9 Monsoon Regenerative Air Sweeper through Tax-Exempt Leasing Corp. 203 E. Park Avenue, Libertyville, Illinois 60048 for a 7 year term.

Vote 6 aye, motion carried.

A motion was made by Alderman Wangelin and second by Alderman Snow for approval of an Interconnection Agreement with SOL Systems, LLC for Interconnection and Parallel Operation of Certified Invertor-Based Equipment.

Vote 5 aye, 1 nay (Kleckler), motion carried.

A motion was made by Alderman Wangelin and second by Alderman Kuhlemier to approve the proposal from Baker Tilly, Ten Terrace Ct, Madison, Wisconsin 53707 for Benchmarking & Metrics Analysis (Electric Only) in the amount of \$23,860.00.

Vote 5 aye, 1 nay (Kleckler), motion carried.

Mayor Wescott reminded the Council of upcoming events in the City. Art in the Park on September 7, 2019, Fiesta Day Parade on September 14, 2019, Taste of Fiesta on September 21, 2019 and the Rock Falls Big Cat Quest on September 28 and 29, 2019.

A motion was made by Alderman Snow and second by Alderman Sobottka to enter into Executive Session for the purposes of:

1. Personnel - Section 2(c)(1) - Employee hiring, firing, compensation, discipline and performance
2. Collective Bargaining - Section 2(c)(2) - Collective negotiating matters and deliberations concerning salary schedules

Vote 6 aye, motion carried. (6:43 p.m.)

A motion was made by Alderman Sobottka and second by Alderman Wangelin to return to regular session.

Vote 6 aye, motion carried. (7:19 p.m.)

A motion was made by Alderman Sobottka and second by Alderman Snow to offer the position of Accounting Clerk in the Business Office to the individual discussed.

Vote 6 aye, motion carried.

A motion was made by Alderman Sobottka and second by Alderman Snow to adjourn.

Viva Voce Vote, motion carried. (7:21 p.m.)



Michelle K. Conklin, Deputy City Clerk