

City of Rock Falls

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Rock Falls City Council Agenda

December 1, 2020
6:30 p.m.

Governor Pritzker's Executive Orders No. 2020-07 and No. 2020-18, suspends the in-person attendance requirement for members of the public body and allows for remote participation. In light of the current COVID-19 public health emergency and the prohibition of public gatherings of 10 or more, the City Council has chosen to conduct the City Council Meeting remotely.

If you would like to listen to the meeting, please go to <https://zoom.us/j/94709960331>, webinar passcode is 123456.

To submit questions or comments for the Audience Request portion of the meeting:

Submit your questions to meeting@rockfalls61071.com prior to December 1, 2020 at 3:00 p.m. and your questions and/or comments, if appropriate, will be read during the meeting and addressed at that time.

Call to Order at 6:30 p.m.

Roll Call

Audience Requests

Community Affairs

Bethany Bland, President/CEO, Rock Falls Chamber of Commerce

Consent Agenda

1. Approval of the Minutes of the November 17, 2020 Regular Council Meeting
2. Approval of bills as presented

Ordinances 2nd Reading and Adoption:

1. Ordinance 2020-2510 - Tax Levy for the Fiscal Year beginning May 1, 2020 and ending April 30, 2021
2. Ordinance 2020-2511 - Abating the Tax Heretofore Levied for the Year 2020 to Pay Debt Service on \$5,300,000 General Obligation Bonds (Alternate Revenue Sources), Series 2017

3. Ordinance 2020-2512 – Abating the Tax Heretofore Levied for the Year 2020 to Pay Debt Service on \$2,115,000 General Obligation Bonds (Alternate Revenue Sources), Series 2016
4. Ordinance 2020-2513 – Abating the Tax Heretofore Levied for the Year 2020 to Pay Debt Service on \$9,200,000 General Obligation Bonds (Electric System Alternate Revenue Source), Series 2018A
5. Ordinance 2020-2514 – Abating the Tax Heretofore Levied for the Year 2020 to Pay Debt Service on \$1,200,000 General Obligation Bonds (Waterworks System Alternate Revenue Source), Series 2018B
6. Ordinance 2020-2515 – Abating the Tax Heretofore Levied for the Year 2020 to Pay Debt Service on \$1,200,000 General Obligation Bonds (Sewerage System Alternate Revenue Source), Series 2018C

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Information/Correspondence

James Reese, City Attorney

Brian Frickenstein, City Engineer

Alderman Reports/Committee Chairman Requests

Ward 1

Alderman Bill Wangelin

Alderman Gabriella Palmer – Finance/Insurance/Investment Committee Chairman

Ward 2

Alderman Brian Snow – Building Code Committee Chairman

Alderman Casey Babel

Ward 3

Alderman Jim Schuneman – Utility Committee Chairman/Tourism Committee Chairman

1. Approve purchase of 15kV Padmount Distribution Switchgear for the Schmitt Addition Lift Station from RESCO Rural Electric Supply Corp, PO Box 44430, Madison WI 53744 in the amount of \$68,845.00.
2. Approve the Pole Attachment Agreement with SurfAir
3. Approve a Dark Fiber Lease Agreement with Syneo
4. Mike Gaulrapp – Intent to Renew Cash Farm Lease dated April 21, 2020 with a request of a reduction in the per acre rental amount from \$300.00 per acre to \$225.00 per acre

Alderman Rod Kleckler – Public Works/Public Property Committee Chairman

Ward 4

Alderman Lee Folsom – Police/Fire Committee Chairman

Alderman Violet Sobottka – Ordinance/License/Personnel/Safety Committee Chairman

1. Approval to hire Jeremiah Ludewig for the Journeyman Lineman position in the Electric Department.
2. Approval to hire Mason Rhodes for the Apprentice Lineman position in the Electric Department.

Mayor's Report

1. Accept the resignation of John Espinoza from his service to the Police and Fire Commission effective immediately with regret.

2. Appoint Mike Kuelper to the Police and Fire Commission effective immediately through May 2022

Adjournment

Next City Council meeting – December 15, 2020 at 6:30 p.m.

Posted: November 25, 2020

Michelle Conklin, Deputy City Clerk

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