

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

May 18, 2021

The regular meeting of the Mayor and City Council of Rock Falls, Illinois was called to order at 6:30 p.m. May 18, 2021 in the Council Chambers by Mayor Rod Kleckler.

Deputy City Clerk Michelle Conklin called the roll following the pledge of allegiance. A quorum was present including Mayor Kleckler, Aldermen Palmer, Wangelin, Snow, Babel, Dowd, Doane and Sobottka. In addition, Attorney Matt Cole, Attorney James Reese and City Administrator Robbin Blackert were present.

David Sigel, a resident of Riverside Mobile Estates addressed the City Council and publicly apologized to City Administrator Robbin Blackert for his conduct at the May 4, 2021 City Council Meeting. Mr. Sigel also apologized to Mayor Kleckler for what was said.

Ron Timmons who lives at the corner of 3rd Avenue and 6th Street asked the City Council if 3rd Avenue was going to be rebuilt this year. Mayor Kleckler informed him that this was going to be discussed later in the meeting.

Consent Agenda items 1 and 2 were read aloud by Deputy City Clerk Michelle Conklin.

1. Approval of the minutes of the May 4th, 2021 City Council Meeting
2. Approval of bills as presented

A motion was made by Alderman Wangelin and second by Alderman Sobottka to approve Consent Agenda items 1 and 2.

Vote 7 aye, motion carried.

A motion was made by Alderman Snow and second by Alderman Dowd to approve Resolution 2021-861 Approving and Ratifying Animal Control Agreement.

Vote 7 aye, motion carried.

A motion was made by Alderman Babel and second by Alderman Snow to approve Resolution 2021-862 Authorizing Waiver of Competitive Bidding and Acceptance of Proposal for RB&W Amphitheater improvements.

Vote 7 aye, motion carried.

A motion was made by Alderman Snow and second by Alderman Sobottka to approve the emergency repairs for two RAS pumps and two WAS pumps at the Wastewater Treatment Plant in the amount of \$39,166.00 to Mississippi Valley Pump 435 S. Devils Glen Rd, Bettendorf, IA 52722.

Vote 7 aye, motion carried.

City Administrator Robbin Blackert informed the City Council that the Rebuild Illinois Grant has not been awarded yet and will not be awarded until the 3rd quarter, 2021. We do have the \$1.5 million to complete the 3rd Avenue project but if we put the project out for bid before we have been awarded the grant we will not be eligible to receive any grant proceeds for the project. If we wait to see if we have been awarded the grant it is possible that the project will not be able to be started until Spring of 2022. Administrator Blackert is looking for direction on whether to place Dixon Avenue and 3rd Avenue out for bid at the same time or to hold off on 3rd Avenue.

A motion was made by Alderman Snow and second by Alderman Sobottka to authorize the City Administrator to place only the Dixon Avenue project out for bid at this time and wait on bidding the 3rd Avenue project until we hear if we have been awarded the Rebuild Illinois Grant.

Vote 7 aye, motion carried.

A motion was made by Alderman Snow and second by Alderman Sobottka to award the bid for the 2021-2024 Lawn Maintenance to Burger Brothers Trucking and Excavating, Inc., 901 E 18th Street, Rock Falls IL 61071, pending receipt of all necessary paperwork.

Vote 7 aye, motion carried.

A motion was made by Alderman Sobottka and second by Alderman Snow to approve the appointment of Casey Babel and Jeff Kindle to the Planning/Zoning Commission for a 4 year term (05-18-2021 to 04-30-2025).

Vote 6 aye, 1 recuse (Babel), motion carried.

A motion was made by Alderman Sobottka and second by Alderman Babel to approve the re-appointment of Brian Snow to the Industrial Development Commission for a 5 year term (05-01-2021 to 04-30-2026).

Vote 6 aye, 1 recuse (Snow), motion carried.

A motion was made by Alderman Palmer and second by Alderman Wangelin to approve the appointment of Jessica Devers as 3rd Ward Alderman to fill the vacant 2 year term.

Vote 7 aye, motion carried.

Approval of the appointment of Wayne Squire as City Clerk for a 4 year term died for lack of motion.

Mayor Kleckler pulled the Police Fire Committee from the standing Committee listing that was presented. The Police Fire Committee will be acted on separately.

A motion was made by Alderman Snow and second by Alderman Wangelin to approve the standing Committees and Commissions as presented with the exception of the Utilities Committee and the Tourism Committee until such time as the committee members can be notified of the changes to be presented.

Vote 7 aye, motion carried.

Approval of the Police Fire Committee as presented died for lack of motion.

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

Viva Voce Vote, motion carried. (6:58 p.m.)



Michelle K. Conklin, Deputy City Clerk