

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

July 6, 2021

The regular meeting of the Mayor and City Council of Rock Falls, Illinois was called to order at 6:30 p.m. on July 6, 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 McKanna, Wangelin, Snow, Babel, Doed, Devers, Doane and Sobottka. In addition, Attorney James Reese, Attorney Matt Cole, and City Administrator Robbin Blackert were present.

Mayor Kleckler called the Public Hearing to order at 6:31 p.m. The purpose of the Public Hearing was to receive written or oral comments from the citizens regarding the proposed Appropriation Ordinance for the Fiscal Year commencing May 1, 2021 and ending April 30, 2021.

There were no citizens present at the Public Hearing to provided oral comments and the Business Office did not receive any written comments.

With nothing further Mayor Kleckler closed the Public Hearing at 6:32 p.m.

Consent Agenda items 1 through 4 were read aloud by Deputy City Clerk Michelle Conklin.

1. Approval of the minutes of the June 15, 2021 City Council Meeting
2. Approval of bills as presented
3. Refer the Application for Variance from PM Design Group, Inc. to allow for a remote drive-thru bank ATM kiosk in existing parking lot
4. Approve the renewal of Lease Agreement Number 3310 between the City of Rock Falls and the Illinois Department of Natural Resources for a parcel of land at the Hennepin Canal (Linville Crossing) for a period of 5 years (November 1, 2021 – October 31, 2026)

A motion was made by Alderman Snow and second by Alderman Babel to approve Consent Agenda items 1 through 4.

**Vote 8 aye, motion carried.**

A motion was made by Alderman Snow and second by Alderman Dowd to approve Ordinance No. 2021-2527 – Appropriation Ordinance for the Fiscal Year Beginning May 1, 2021 and ending April 30, 2022.

**Vote 8 aye, motion carried.**

A motion was made by Alderman Wangelin and second by Alderman McKanna to approve Ordinance No. 2021-2528 – Amending Chapter 32, Article V, Relating to Electrical Requirements.

**Vote 8 aye, motion carried.**

A motion was made by Alderman Sobottka and second by Alderman Doane to approve Ordinance No. 2021-2529 – Amending Section 2-76. Regular Meetings.

**Vote 8 aye, motion carried.**

A motion was made by Alderman Snow and second by Alderman Wangelin to approve Ordinance No. 2021-2530 – Amending Chapters 20 and 26 Relating to Recovery of Costs for Weed Removal.

**Vote 7 aye, 1 nay (Devers) motion carried.**

A motion was made by Alderman Babel and second by Alderman Dowd to approve Ordinance No. 2021-2531 – Approving Waiver of Certain Conditions of the Rock Falls Municipal Code Relating to 609 W 12<sup>th</sup> Street.

**Vote 8 aye, motion carried.**

A motion was made by Alderman Wangelin and second by Alderman Sobottka to approve Ordinance No. 2021-2532 – Amending Chapter 16, Article V of the Rock Falls Municipal Code Relating to Alcoholic Liquor at the RB&W District Park.

**Vote 7 aye, 1 recuse (Snow), motion carried.**

A motion was made by Alderman Snow and second by Alderman Babel to approve Resolution 2021-866 – 2021 Fiesta Day Parade.

**Vote 8 aye, motion carried.**

A motion was made by Alderman Snow and second by Alderman Sobottka to reject all bids received for the Industrial Park and Water Plant Elevated Storage Tanks Maintenance due to bids received being \$194,480.00 over the engineers projected budget.

**Vote 8 aye, motion carried.**

A motion was made by Alderman Snow and second by Alderman Sobottka for approval to add Alderman Gabriella McKanna as the 4<sup>th</sup> approved signer on the City of Rock Falls bank accounts.

**Vote 7 aye, 1 recuse (McKanna), motion carried.**

A motion was made by Alderman Snow and second by Alderman Babel to direct the City Attorney to draft paperwork to transfer Parcel Number 11-34-251-004 to the Industrial Development Commission.

**Vote 8 aye, motion carried.**

A motion was made by Alderman Snow and second by Alderman Wangelin to approve the purchase of water meters from Ferguson Waterworks 1720 State Street, DeKalb, IL 60115 in the amount of \$16,560.00.

**Vote 8 aye, motion carried.**

A motion was made by Alderman Snow and second by Alderman Babel to approve the Engineering Agreement for Watermain Replacement Phase 1 with Willett, Hofmann & Associates, Inc. 809 E 2<sup>nd</sup> Street, Dixon, IL 61021 in the amount of \$149,000.00.

**Vote 8 aye, motion carried.**

A motion was made by Alderman Snow and second by Alderman Babel to approve the purchase of a new Vactor 2100i SEDF on International Chassis from Standard Equipment Company 625 S IL 83, Elmhurst, IL 60126 in the amount of \$442,116.73.

**Vote 8 aye, motion carried.**

A motion was made by Alderman Snow and second by Alderman Wangelin to approve the transfer of the Vactor 2100 Plus (Serial # 11-06V-12667) from the Sewer Department to the Water Department at a cost of \$80,000.00.

**Vote 8 aye, motion carried.**

A motion was made by Alderman McKanna and second by Alderman Snow to approve the appointment of Jessica Devers to the Police Fire Committee.

**Vote 7 aye, 1 recuse (Devers), motion carried.**

A motion was made by Alderman Snow and second by Alderman Sobottka to approve the appointment of Bill Wangelin to the Tourism Committee.

**Vote 7 aye, 1 recuse (Wangelin), motion carried.**

A motion was made by Alderman Sobottka and second by Alderman Snow to enter into Executive Session for the purposes of discussing Section 2(c)(21) – Review of Closed Session Minutes and Personnel – Section 2(c)(1) – Employee hiring, firing, compensation, discipline and performance.

**Vote 8 aye, motion carried. (6:57 p.m.)**

A motion was made by Alderman Snow and second by Alderman Dowd to return to regular session.

**Vote 8 aye, motion carried. (7:06 p.m.)**

A motion was made by Alderman Snow and second by Alderman Sobottka to approve the hiring and appointment of the number one candidate for the Wastewater Treatment Plant Superintendent and instruct the City Attorney to draw up the employment contract.

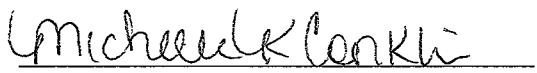
**Vote 8 aye, motion carried.**

A motion was made by Alderman Snow and second by Alderman Wangelin that all Executive Session minutes reviewed remain closed.

**Vote 8 aye, motion carried.**

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

**Viva Voce Vote, motion carried. (7:10 p.m.)**

  
Michelle K. Conklin, Deputy City Clerk