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

## October 19, 2021

The regular meeting of the Mayor and City Council of Rock Falls, Illinois was called to order at 5:30 p.m. on October 19, 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, Dowd, Devers, Doane and Sobottka. In addition Attorney Matt Cole, Attorney Tim Zollinger and City Administrator Robbin Blackert were present.

Julie Jacobs from Blackhawk Hills Regional Council and the Rock Falls Chamber of Commerce informed the City Council that the BHRC had met with Mayor Kleckler and the Coloma Township Park District to find out if there were any areas that BHRC could be of assistance. They help with grant writing and have other areas where they could help.

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

- 1. Approval of the minutes of the October 5, 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 8 aye, motion carried.

A motion was made by Alderman Snow and second by Alderman Dowd to approve Resolution 2021-872 – Transferring Jurisdiction and Control of Real Property to the Industrial Development Commission (215 Avenue C).

Vote 8 aye, motion carried.

City Administrator Robbin Blackert informed the City Council that the Finance Insurance Investment Committee will be meeting on October 26, 2021 at 5:30 p.m. The Auditors and Actuaries will be presenting the annual audit and actuarial valuations, all Alderman are encouraged to be at the meeting.

Police Chief Dave Pilgrim informed the City Council that the Police Department is seeking funding through grants and possibly donations to reinstate the K-9 program in Rock Falls. There are two grants that he has applied for at this point one is through the Bureau of Justice Administration and the other is through Aftermath, Inc.

A motion was made by Alderman Snow and second by Alderman Sobottka to approve Amendment #1 to Standard Terms and Conditions – Administrative Building Code, Municipal Offense and Municipal Ordinance System for a proposed 3 year amendment from Municipal Systems, LLC 10275 W Higgins Road, Suite 490, Rosemont, IL 60018 – Fixed monthly license fee of \$950.00 for the first year, \$1,150.00 for the second year and 4.5% increase for the third year. Vote 8 aye, motion carried.

A motion was made by Alderman Snow and second by Alderman Sobottka to approve the Mayoral Appointment of Pam Martinez to the vacant position of City Clerk for the remainder of the term.

Vote 8 aye, motion carried.

Mayor Kleckler informed the City Council that he will be presenting to the Ordinance Committee an upgrade in the number of Class A Liquor Licenses by two.

Mayor Kleckler stated that he was appointing Alderman McKanna to an Advisory Committee for our American Rescue Plan Act and asked that Alderman McKanna choose two other people to be on the committee, it will be an advisory committee only to advise on the best use of the ARP funds we have received.

Mayor Kleckler informed the City Council that there has been some conversation going on between the Illinois Department of Natural Resources and their land management division about the boat ramp and the maintenance and upkeep on it. We are not close to an agreement on it but both sides have been back and forth on it and I have expressed what the City feels needs to be done to that site to take on the management in the future and we are just waiting to hear more from them.

It has been brought to the Mayor's attention that the Aldermen would like to be informed of when businesses ribbon cuttings will be happening so that they will be able to step forward with the community. The Aldermen will begin receiving emails inviting them to these opportunities and would ask that if you are available at the time to step forward for the City.

A motion was made by Alderman Sobottka and second by Alderman Wangelin to enter into Executive Session for the purpose of discussing Litigation – Section 2(c)(11) – Pending, probably or imminent litigation.

Vote 8 aye, motion carried. (5:50 p.m.)

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

Vote 8 aye, motion carried. (6:25 p.m.)

A motion was made by Alderman Snow and second by Alderman Babel to adjourn. **Viva Voce Vote, motion carried.** (6:26 p.m.)

Michelle K. Conklin, Deputy City Clerk