

City of Rock Falls

603 W. 10th Street
Rock Falls, IL 61071-2854

Regular meeting minutes of the Mayor and Aldermen of the City of Rock Falls

The regular meeting of the Mayor and City Council of Rock Falls, Illinois was called to order at 5:30 p.m. on November 7, 2023, in the Council Chambers by Mayor Rodney Kleckler.

City Clerk Pam Martinez called the roll following the pledge of allegiance. A quorum was present including Mayor Kleckler, Alderman McKanna, Wangelin, Snow, Dowd, Arduini, and Sobottka. In addition, Attorney Matt Cole, and City Administrator Robbin Blackert were present. Absent: Alderman Dornes

Audience request:

None.

Rock Falls Fire Department:

Presentation from Chief Bowens to Fire Fighter Andrew Funk completed probation period and was pinned with his badge.

Rock Falls Optimist Club:

2024 Calendar Sales by Tom Star. This year is the 21st consecutive year for the production of the calendars.

Community Affairs:

Rock Falls Chamber of Commerce requested the approval of Hometown Holidays road closures.

A motion was made by Alderman Snow to approve the Hometown Holidays road closures and second by Alderwoman Sobottka.

Vote via voice, all approved, motion carried.

Consent Agenda:

Consent Agenda items 1 - 2 were read aloud by City Clerk Pam Martinez.

1. Approval of the minutes of the October 17, 2023, City Council Meeting.
2. Approval of bills as presented.

A motion was made by Alderman Wangelin to approve the Consent Agenda and second by Alderman Dowd.

Vote 6 aye, motion carried.

Ordinances 2nd Reading and Adoption:

1. Ordinance 2023-2624 – Authorizing the Sale/Disposal of Unused Street Equipment.

A motion was made by Alderwoman Sobottka to approve the 2nd reading and adoption of Ordinance 2023-2624 – Authorizing the Sale/Disposal of Unused Street Equipment and second by Alderman Wangelin.

Vote 6 aye, motion carried.

Resolutions:

1. Resolution 2023-914 – Resolution for Maintenance Under the Illinois Highway Code – Section 24-00000-00-GM

A motion was made by Alderman Snow to approve Resolution 2023-914 for Maintenance Under the Illinois Highway Code – Section 24-00000-00-GM and second by Alderman Wangelin.

Vote via voice, all approved, motion carried.

City Administrator:

1. Approve the GIS Services Agreement with Cloudpoint Geospatial, 1407 W Front Street, Roanoke, IL for continued Managed GIS Services in the amount of \$6,250.00 per month for 3 years.

A motion was made by Alderwoman McKanna to approve the GIS Services Agreement with Cloudpoint Geospatial, 1407 W Front Street, Roanoke, IL for continued Managed GIS Services in the amount of \$6,250.00 per month for 3 years and second by Alderwoman Sobottka.

Vote 6 aye, motion carried.

City Administrator Blackert wished the Lady Rockets Volleyball Team good luck at State.

City Attorney:

None

City Departments:

None

Alderman Reports / Committee Chairman Requests

A motion was made by Alderman Wangelin to approve the recommendation from the Public Property Public Works Committee for the renewal of the Cash Farm Lease with Hoffman Brothers Partnership for March 2024 to February 2025 for 10 tillable acres in the amount of \$150.00 per acre and second by Alderman Dowd.

Vote 6 aye, motion carried.

A motion was made by Alderman Wangelin to approve the recommendation from the Public Property Public Works Committee for the renewal of the Cash Farm Lease with Gaulrapp Farms for March 2024 to February 2025 for the 18 tillable acres in the amount of \$225.00 per acre and second by Alderwoman Sobottka.

Vote 6 aye, motion carried.

A motion was made by Alderman Wangelin to approve the recommendation from the Police Fire Committee to approve the STARCOM 21 User Agreement between the City of Rock Falls and Motorola Solutions, Inc. and second by Alderman Snow.

Vote 6 aye, motion carried.

A motion was made by Alderman Wangelin to approve the recommendation from the Police Fire Committee for the Contract for Services between the City of Rock Falls and Moeller, Myers and Associates, PC providing an Employee Assistance Program to the City of Rock Falls Police Department employees and second by Alderwoman Sobottka.

Vote 6 aye, motion carried.

A motion was made by Alderwoman McKanna to approve the recommendation from the Finance/Insurance/Investment Committee for the Fiscal Year 2024 Audit and second by Alderman Wangelin.

Vote 6 aye, motion carried.

A motion was made by Alderwoman McKanna to approve the recommendation from the Finance/Insurance/Investment Committee for the Utility Write-offs from July 2024 through September 2023 and second by Alderwoman Sobottka.

Vote 6 aye, motion carried.

A motion was made by Alderwoman McKanna to approve the recommendation from the Finance/Insurance/Investment Committee for the Event Sponsorship Grant from the Rock Falls Tourism to the Rock Falls Chamber of Commerce for Hometown Holidays in the amount of \$1,000.00 and second by Alderman Wangelin.

Vote 6 aye, motion carried.

A motion was made by Alderman Snow to approve the recommendation from the Utility Committee for the purchase of a collector Unit for Neptune meter reading from Ferguson Waterworks, 1720 State Street, Dekalb, IL in the amount of \$25,253.43 with cost to be split between Water and Wastewater and second by Alderman Wangelin.

Vote 6 aye, motion carried.

A motion was made by Alderman Snow to approve the recommendation from the Utility Committee for the rebuild of the 6 tertiary filter vacuum pumps by Hydro-Kinetics Corporation, 5741 Manchester Avenue, St. Louis, MO in the amount of \$13,900.10 and second by Alderwoman Sobottka.

Vote 6 aye, motion carried.

A motion was made by Alderman Snow to approve the recommendation from the Utility Committee to award the Boring of the Schutz Easement to Kirby Cable Service, Inc., 17842 Summer Road, Pecatonica, IL in the amount of \$152,430.00 and second by Alderwoman Sobottka.

Vote 6 aye, motion carried.

A motion was made by Alderman Snow to approve the recommendation from the Utility Committee for the License Agreement with the IDNR for a full-term of 10 years in the amount of \$1,320.00 and second by Alderman Wangelin.

Vote 6 aye, motion carried.

Alderman Snow also wished the Rock Falls Volleyball good luck at State.

A motion was made by Alderwoman Sobottka to approve the recommendation from the Ordinance/License/Personnel/Safety Committee to allow the Street Department to hire 1 employee and second by Alderman Snow.

Vote 6 aye, motion carried.

Mayor's Report:

None.

A motion was made by Alderwoman Sobottka to adjourn the City Council meeting and second by Alderman Snow.

Vote via voice, all approved, motion carried (5:53 pm)

Pamela Martinez

Pamela Martinez, City Clerk