

# 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 January 2, 2024, in the Council Chambers by Mayor Rod Kleckler.

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

## **Audience request:**

None

## **Appointments:**

1. Approve appointment of Ken Wolf as Fire Chief – Effective 02-01-2024  
A motion was made by Alderman Snow to approve the appointment of Ken Wolf as Fire Chief – Effective 02-01-2024 and second by Alderman Wangelin.  
**Vote 7 aye, motion carried.**
2. Approve appointment of Vickey Byrd as 2<sup>nd</sup> Ward Alderman – Effective 01-02-2024.  
A motion was made by Alderman Wangelin to approve the appointment of Vickey Byrd as 2<sup>nd</sup> Ward Alderman and second by Alderman Snow.  
**Vote 7 aye, motion carried.**  
City Clerk Pam Martinez swore in Vickey Byrd as 2<sup>nd</sup> Ward Alderman.
3. Approve re-appointment of John Larson to the Industrial Development Commission – Term 11-15-2023 to 11-15-2028.  
A motion was made by Alderman Snow to approve the re-appointment of John Larson to the Industrial Development Commission – Term 11-15-2023 to 11-15-2028 and second by Alderman Wangelin.  
**Vote 8 aye, motion carried.**

## **Community Affairs:**

None

## **Consent Agenda:**

Consent Agenda items 1-3 were read aloud by City Clerk Pam Martinez.

1. Approval of the minutes of the December 19, 2023, City Council Meeting.
2. Approval of bills as presented.
3. Authorize Mayor Kleckler to sign the Public Water Supply Loan Program's loan application forms and supporting documents.

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

**Vote 8 aye, motion carried.**

## **Ordinances 2<sup>nd</sup> Reading and Adoption:**

1. Ordinance 2023-2633 – Amending Chapter 16, Article XIII, Division 8 Relating to the City of Rock Falls Raffles Ordinance.  
A motion was made by Alderman Snow to approve Ordinance 2023-2633 - Amending Chapter 16, Article XIII, Division 8 Relating to the City of Rock Falls Raffle Ordinance for second reading and adoption and second by Alderman Dowd.  
**Vote 8 aye, motion carried.**

**City Administrator:**

None.

**City Attorney:**

None

**City Departments:**

Ken Wolf, Deputy Fire Chief, thanked the council for the appointment as Fire Chief.

**Alderman Reports / Committee Chairman Requests**

A motion was made by Alderwoman Sobottka to approve the Employment Agreement for Ken Wolf as Fire Chief and second by Alderman Snow.

**Vote 8 aye, motion carried.**

**Mayor's Report:**

None

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

**Vote via voice, all approved (5:38 p.m.)**

*Pamela Martinez*

Pamela Martinez, City Clerk