

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 June 18, 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, Snow, Byrd, Dowd, Dornes, Arduini, and Sobottka. Absent Alderman Wangelin. In addition, Attorney Matt Cole and City Administrator Robbin Blackert were present.

Audience request:

None.

Community Affairs:

None.

Consent Agenda:

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

1. Approval of the minutes of the June 4, 2024, City Council Meeting.
2. Approval of bills as presented.

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

Vote 7 aye, motion carried.

Ordinance 2nd Reading and Adoption:

1. Ordinance 2024-2652 – Amending Section 16-387.1 to Impose Fines for Failure to Maintain Required Basset Certification.
A motion was made by Alderman Snow to approve Ordinance 2024-2652 – Amending Section 16-387.1 to Impose Fines for Failure to Maintain Required Basset Certification for second reading and adoption and second by Alderwoman Arduini.
Vote 7 aye, motion carried.
2. Ordinance 2024-2653 – Amending Chapter 32, Section 32-24 Regarding Utility Service Disconnection and Reconnection.
A motion was made by Alderwoman Sobottka to approve Ordinance 2024-2653 – Amending Chapter 32, Section 32-24 Regarding Utility Service Disconnection and Reconnection for second reading and adoption and second by Alderwoman McKanna.
Vote 7 aye, motion carried.
3. Ordinance 2024-2654 – Authorizing Disposal of Fire Department Miscellaneous Equipment.
A motion was made by Alderman Snow to approve Ordinance 2024-2654 – Authorizing Disposal of Fire Department Miscellaneous Equipment for second reading and adoption and second by Alderwoman McKanna.
Vote 7 aye, motion carried.
4. Ordinance 2024-2655 – Authorizing the Purchase of Real Property (1003 W. Route 30, Rock Falls, IL)

A motion was made by Alderwoman Sobottka to approve Ordinance 2024-2655 – Authorizing the Purchase of Real Property (1003 W. Route 30, Rock Falls IL) for second reading and adoption and second by Alderman Dowd.
Vote 6 aye, 1 no (Arduini), motion carried.

City Administrator:

City Administrator Blackert presented information that went in the Utility bills to all residents of Rock Falls asking for information on Brownfield sites that could be in the City Limits.
Thanked Dick Simon for his years working for the City of Rock Falls, tonight was his last Council Meeting.

City Attorney:

None

City Departments:

Melinda Jones, Tourism Director, thanked everyone for their support for the last two events, Bellson Fest and Sick the Magazine.

Alderman Reports / Committee Chairman Requests

Alderwoman McKanna made a motion to accept the recommendation from the Public Works/Public Property Committee to approve the purchase of a SAS 200 Soil and Asphalt Spreader for the Street Department from Bobcat of Dixon, 610 River Lane, Dixon, IL 61021 in the amount of \$16,757.00 and second by Alderwoman Sobottka.
Vote 7 aye, motion carried.

Alderwoman McKanna made a motion to accept the recommendation from the Public Works/ Public Property Committee to waive bidding for the East 2nd Street HMA Overlay project and second by Alderman Snow.
Vote 7 aye, motion carried.

Alderwoman McKanna made a motion to accept the recommendation from the Public Works/Public Property Committee to accept the quote for East 2nd Street HMA Overlay Project from Helm Civil, 2283 Route 20 East, Freeport, IL 61032 in the amount of \$80,647.00 and second by Alderman Snow.
Vote 7 aye, motion carried.

Alderwoman McKanna made a motion to accept the recommendation from Willett, Hofmann & Associates to award the 2024 Seal Coat project to Porter Brothers Construction, 9904 Freeport Road, Rock Falls, IL 61071 in the amount of \$150,515.99 and second by Alderman Snow.
Vote 7 aye, motion carried.

A motion was made by Alderwoman Sobottka to approve the recommendation from the OLPS Committee to approve the Electric Department to hire two Apprentice Lineman and second by Alderman Snow.
Vote 7 aye, motion carried.

Mayor's Report:

None.

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

Vote via voice, all approved (5:43 p.m.)

Pamela Martinez

Pamela Martinez, City Clerk