

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 3, 2025, 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 Wangelin, Byrd, Doane, Dowd, Stahr, Arduini, and Sobottka. In addition, Attorney Matt Cole and City Administrator Robbin Blackert were present. Absent Alderman McKanna.

Public Hearing:

Public Hearing – to receive written or oral comments from the citizens regarding the proposed Appropriation Ordinance for the Fiscal Year commencing May 1, 2025, and ending April 30, 2026.

No questions were asked in written form or oral comments were received, and the Public Hearing was closed at 5:32pm.

Audience request:

None

Community Affairs: Rock Falls Chamber of Commerce, Sam Smith President/CEO

1. Request for road closure – Saturday, June 21, 2025, from 8:00 am to 8:00 pm, E 2nd Street directly in front of RB&W Park for Summer Splash.
2. Request for road closure – Saturday, June 21, 2025, from 9:30 am to 11:00 am. E 2nd Street after Wood Ave up to Emmons Ave, closing access streets including Ada Street and Ave B through Ave F for the YMCA Family 5K.

A motion was made by Alderwoman Sobottka to approve Road Closure Requests from Rock Falls Chamber of Commerce for Summer Splash, Saturday, June 21, 2025 from 8:00 am to 8:00 pm to include directly in front of the RB&W Park and from 9:30 am to 11 am, E 2nd Street after Wood Ave up to Emmons Ave, closing access streets including Ada Street and Ave B through Ave F for the YMCA Family 5K and second by Alderwoman Arduini.

Vote 7 aye, motion carried

Consent Agenda:

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

1. Approval of minutes from the May 20th, 2025, City Council Meeting
2. Approval of bills as presented.

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

Vote 7 aye, motion carried.

Ordinance for 1st Reading:

1. Ordinance 2025-2697 – Appropriation Ordinance for Fiscal Year 2026 – Beginning May 1, 2025, and Ending April 30, 2025.

A motion was made by Alderman Wangelin to approve the first reading of Ordinance 2025-2697 – Appropriation Ordinance for Fiscal Year 2026 – Beginning May 1, 2025, and Ending April 30, 2025, and second by Alderman Dowd.

Vote 7 aye, motion carried.

2. Ordinance 2025-2698 – Amending Chapter 18, Article V – Stop and Yield Intersections
A motion was made by Alderwoman Sobottka to approve the first reading of Ordinance 2025-2698 – Amending Chapter 18, Article V – Stop and Yield Intersections and second by Alderwoman Arduini.

Vote 7 aye, motion carried.

Ordinance for 2nd Reading & Adoption:

1. Ordinance 2025-2695 – Amending Chapter 32, Section 32-351 Regarding Interconnection of Certain Renewable Generating Facilities with the City’s Electric Distribution System

A motion was made by Alderman Wangelin to approve second reading and adoption of Ordinance 2025-2695 – Amending Chapter 32, Section 32-351 Regarding Interconnection of Certain Renewable Generating Facilities with the City’s Electric Distribution System and second by Alderman Dowd.

Vote 7 aye, motion carried.

2. Ordinance 2025-2696 – Approving Interconnection Agreement and Qualifying Facility Power Purchase Agreement for Solar Facilities at East Coloma-Nelson CESD #20.
A motion was made by Alderwoman Sobottka to approve second reading and adoption for Ordinance 2025-2696 – Approving Interconnection Agreement and Qualifying Facility Power Purchase Agreement for Solar Facilities at East Coloma-Nelson CESD #20 and second by Alderman Stahr.

Vote 7 aye, motion carried.

City Administrator:

1. Approval for Change Order No. 3 with Martin & Company Excavating, Inc., 2456 East Pleasant Grove Road, Oregon, IL 61061 for Avenue A Reconstruction and 5th Avenue Lift Station Replacement 10th Street to 3rd Street in the amount of \$34,601.25

A motion was made by Alderwoman Sobottka to approve the Change Order No. 3 with Martin & Company Excavating, Inc., 2456 East Pleasant Grove Road, Oregon, IL 61061 for Avenue A Reconstruction and 5th Avenue Lift Station Replacement 10th Street to 3rd Street in the amount of \$34,601.25 and second by Alderwoman Arduini.

Vote 7 aye, motion carried.

City Attorney:

None

City Departments:

None

Alderman Reports / Committee Chairman Requests

Alderman Doane brought attention to the new Electric Billboard on 1st Avenue Bridge. Alderman Stahr and Sobottka looking forward to all of the summer events being held in Rock Falls.

Mayor's Report:
None

A motion was made by Alderwoman Sobottka to adjourn and second by Alderwoman Arduini.
Vote via voice, all approved (5:43 p.m.)

Pamela Martinez
Pamela Martinez, City Clerk