

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 July 3, 2023, 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

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 June 20, 2023, City Council Meeting.
2. Approval of bills as presented.
3. Approval of Annual Raffle License for April House Children's Advocacy Center with waiver of the fidelity bond required per Section 16-1484.

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

Vote 7 aye, motion carried.

Resolutions:

1. Resolution 2023-902 – Resolution Disbanding Eagle Trail Committee.
A motion was made by Alderwoman McKanna to approve Resolution 2023-902 – Resolution Disbanding Eagle Trail Committee and second by Alderwoman Sobottka
Vote via voice, all approved, motion carried.
2. Resolution 2023-903 – Referring Consideration to Amend the City's Zoning Ordinance Relating to Minimum Ground Floor Area for Dwellings to the Planning and Zoning Commission
A motion was made by Alderman Snow to approve Resolution 2023-903 – Referring Consideration to Amend the City's Zoning Ordinance Relating to Minimum Ground Floor Area for Dwellings to the Planning and Zoning Commission and second by Alderman Wangelin.
Vote via voice, all approved, motion carried.

Ordinance 1st Reading:

1. Ordinance 2023-2611 – Authorizing an Intergovernmental Agreement for Participation in the Mutual Aid Box Alarm System (MABAS Master Agreement 2022).
A motion was made by Alderman Snow to approve the first reading of Ordinance 2023-2611 – Authorizing an Intergovernmental Agreement for Participation in the Mutual Aid Box Alarm System (MABAS Master Agreement 2022) and second by Alderman Dowd.
Vote 7 aye, motion carried.

2. Ordinance 2023-2612 – Authorizing Entry into an Intergovernmental Agreement for a School Resource Officer (SRO) Program.
A motion was made by Alderwoman Sobottka to approve the first reading of Ordinance 2023-2612 – Authorizing Entry into an Intergovernmental Agreement for a School Resource Officer (SRO) Program and second by Alderwoman McKanna.
Vote 7 aye, motion carried.
3. Ordinance 2023-2613 – Amending Chapter 32, Article V of the Rock Falls Municipal Code Relating to Electric Utility Rates.
A motion was made by Alderman Wangelin to approve the first reading of Ordinance 2023-2613 – Amending Chapter 32, Article V of the Rock Falls Municipal Code Relating to Electric Utility Rates and second by Alderman Dowd.
Vote 7 aye, motion carried.

City Administrator:

None

City Attorney:

None

City Departments:

None

Alderman Reports / Committee Chairman Requests

A motion was made by Alderman Wangelin to approve the request from the Tourism Committee to purchase the Inner Light Sculpture in the amount of \$10,000.00 and second by Alderman Snow.

Vote 7 aye, motion carried.

Recommendation from the Finance/Insurance/Investment Committee to review the proposal from Municipal Solutions LLC and have the City Attorney draft a contract.

Discussion by all City Council members and Mayor Kleckler.

This recommendation failed to receive a motion.

A motion was made by Alderman Snow to approve the recommendation from the Utility Committee to approve the proposal for Phase 1, Well No. 2 Pump Removal, video Survey and Inspection from Layne, 721 W. Illinois Avenue, Aurora, IL in the amount of \$18,245.00 and second by Alderwoman Sobottka.

Vote 7 aye, motion carried.

A motion was made by Alderman Snow to approve the recommendation from the Utility Committee to approve the request from Willett, Hofmann & Associates, 809 E. 2nd Street, Dixon, IL 61021 for overage of construction engineering on Phase 1 Water Project in the amount of \$18,200.22 and second by Alderman Dowd.

Vote 7 aye, motion carried.

A motion was made by Alderman Snow to approve the recommendation from the Utility Committee to approve the proposal for Centennial Drainage Ditch Clean Up with Behren's Trucking, 2608 Prophet Road, Rock Falls, IL in the amount of \$18,960.00 and second by Alderman Wangelin.

Vote 7 aye, motion carried.

A motion was made by Alderman Snow to approve the recommendation from the Utility Committee to approve the contract with Cloudpoint Geospatial, P.O. Box 1017, Roanoke, IL for Integration of RedZone Sewer Inspection Data GIS Integration in the amount of \$16,500.00 and second by Alderwoman Sobottka.

Vote 7 aye, motion carried.

A motion was made by Alderman Snow to approve the recommendation from the Utility Committee to approve the Letter Amendment for Indefeasible Right of Use Agreement by and between the City of Rock Falls and Surf Air Wireless, LLC and second by Alderman Dowd.

Vote 7 aye, motion carried.

A motion was made by Alderman Snow to approve the recommendation from the Utility Committee to approve the Letter Amendment for Right of Way Use Agreement for Broadband Internet by and between the City of Rock Falls and Surf Air Wireless, LLC and second by Alderman Wangelin.

Vote 7 aye, motion carried.

Alderman Snow congratulated Rock Falls Tourism on a very well attended event at the RB&W park last Friday, and everyone have a Happy and Safe 4th of July.

Alderwoman Sobottka wished everyone a Happy and Safe 4th of July and reminded everyone of the burn ban still in effect.

Mayor's Report:

None

A motion was made by Alderwoman Sobottka to move to Executive Session of the City Council meeting and second by Alderwoman McKanna **(6:00 pm)**

Vote 7 aye, motion carried.

Returned to regular City Council meeting (6:06 pm)

Action taken from Executive Session:

1. Personnel – Section 2(c)(1) – Employee hiring, firing, compensation, discipline and performance

A motion was made by Alderman Snow to recommend the hiring of R. Delgado for the Street Department and second by Alderman Wangelin.

Vote via voice, all approved, motion carried.

2. Section 2(c)(21) – Review of Closed Session Minutes

A motion was made by Alderwoman Sobottka to keep Executive Session Minutes closed and second by Alderwoman McKanna.

Vote 7 aye, motion carried.

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

Vote via voice, all approved, motion carried (6:09 pm)

Pamela Martinez

Pamela Martinez, City Clerk