

City of Rock Falls

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Rock Falls, IL 61071-2854

Mayor

Rod Kleckler
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Rock Falls City Council Agenda
Council Chambers
603 W 10th Street, Rock Falls, IL 61071

September 1, 2026
5:30 p.m.

Please note: This Public Meeting may be audio and/or video recorded

Call to Order at 5:30 p.m.

Pledge of Allegiance

Roll Call

Public Hearings:

- Public Hearing to provide interested parties an opportunity to express their views on a multi-purpose path along 12th Avenue from the 100 Block to Route 30
- Public Hearing to provide interested parties an opportunity to express their views on a multi-purpose path across E Route 30 connecting the 100 Block of E Route 30 to the Hennepin Canal Trail

Audience Requests

Community Affairs - Rock Falls Chamber of Commerce

Consent Agenda:

1. Approval of minutes from the August 18, 2026 City Council Meeting
2. Approval of bills as presented

Ordinance 1st Reading:

1. Ordinance 2026-2747 – Amending Chapter 20, Article I of the Rock Falls Municipal Code Relating to Nuisances
2. Ordinance 2026-2748 – Amending Chapter 16, Article V, Division 2 Alcoholic Liquor; License
3. Ordinance 2026-2749 – Amending Chapter 18, Article VI Parking – Prohibited Areas
4. Ordinance 2026-2750 – Adopting a Social Media Use Policy for the City of Rock Falls
5. Ordinance 2026-2751 – Adopting Communications and Conduct Policy for the Elected and Appointed Officials of the City of Rock Falls for the City of Rock Falls

Resolutions:

1. Resolution 2026-951 – Resolution in Support of an Illinois Transportation Enhancement Program (ITEP) Grant Application for Bicycle and Pedestrian improvements on 12th Avenue
2. Resolution 2026-952 – Resolution in Support of an Illinois Transportation Enhancement Program (ITEP) Grant Application for Bicycle and Pedestrian Improvements on Route 30 and Route 40
3. Resolution 2026-953 – Adopting a Civility Pledge for Elected and Appointed Officials of the City of Rock Falls

City Administrator Robbin Blackert:**Tourism Director, Melinda Jones:**

Request for Road Closures:

1. Approval to close E 2nd Street from Avenue A to Wood Avenue on Saturday, September 12, 2026 from 8:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m. for the Taste of Fiesta
2. Approval to close E 2nd Street from Avenue A to Wood Avenue on Friday, September 25, 2026 from 1:00 p.m. to 11:00 p.m. for the Taco Throwdown

Information/Correspondence

Matt Cole, City Attorney

Corey Buck, City Engineer

Aldersperson Reports/Committee Chairman Requests**Ward 1**

Aldersperson Bill Wangelin – Public Works/Public Property Committee Chairman

Aldersperson Mark Searing

Ward 2

Aldersperson Vickey Byrd – Tourism Committee Chairman

Aldersperson Marshall Doane

Ward 3

Aldersperson Steve Dowd – Police Fire Committee Chairman & Utility Committee Vice Chairman

1. Recommendation from the Utility Committee to approve the quote from QP Testing, 15941 S. Harlem Ave #222, Tinley Park, IL 60477 for Fiscal Year 2026/2027 Electric System Support / Substation Inspections, Substation Training, Meter Training and Relay Support in the amount of \$63,760.00
2. Recommendation from the Utility Committee to approve the quote from Hupp ToyotaLift, 4821 Tremont Ave, Davenport, IA 52807 for a new Toyota Forklift in the amount of \$103,959.00

Aldersperson Nathan Stahr – Finance/Insurance/Investment Committee Chairman

Ward 4

Aldersperson Violet Sobottka – Ordinance/License/Personnel/Safety Committee Chairman

1. Recommendation from the Ordinance/License/Personnel/Safety Committee to update Section XII. Social media use and participation by Employees of the City of Rock Falls Personnel Policy Manual with the updated Social Media Policy passed.

Aldersperson Cathy Arduini

Mayor's Report:

Next City Council Meeting – September 15, 2026 at 5:30 p.m.

Posted: August 28, 2026

Michelle Conklin, Deputy City Clerk

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