

City of Rock Falls

603 W. 10th Street
Rock Falls, IL 61071-2854



Mayor
Rod Kleckler
815-380-5333

City Clerk
Pam Martinez
815-622-1100

City Administrator
Robbin Blackert
815-564-1366

City Treasurer
Kay Abner
815-622-1100

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

September 2, 2025
5:30 p.m.

Call to Order at 5:30 p.m.
Pledge of Allegiance
Roll Call

Audience Requests

Community Affairs - Rock Falls Chamber of Commerce, Sam Kersey President/CEO

Consent Agenda:

1. Approval of minutes from the August 19, 2025 City Council Meeting ☞
2. Approval of bills as presented ☞
3. Forward the Petition Requesting Rezoning of Real Estate from Angel Mendoza for property located at 1119 10th Avenue, Rock Falls, IL (PIN 11-33-127-011, 11-33-127-012, 11-33-129-001) to the Planning Zoning Commission ☞

City Administrator Robbin Blackert:

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/Tourism Committee

Aldersperson Gabriella McKanna – Finance/Insurance/Investment Committee Chairman/Utilities Committee

Ward 2

Aldersperson Vickey Byrd
Aldersperson Marshall Doane

Ward 3

Aldersperson Steve Dowd – Police Fire Committee Chairman

Aldersperson Nathan Stahr

Ward 4

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

Aldersperson Cathy Arduini

Mayor's Report:

Adjournment

Next City Council Meeting – September 16, 2025, at 5:30 p.m.

Posted: August 29, 2025

Michelle Conklin, Deputy City Clerk

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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 August 19, 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 McKanna, Wangelin, Byrd, Doane, Dowd, Stahr, Arduini, and Sobottka. In addition, Attorney Matt Cole and City Administrator Robbin Blackert were present.

Audience request:

None

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

None

Consent Agenda:

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

1. Approval of minutes from the August 05, 2025, City Council Meeting
2. Approval of bills as presented.

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

Vote 8 aye, motion carried.

Ordinance for 2nd Reading and Adoption:

1. Ordinance 2025-2704 – Amending Chapter 18, Article VII – Trucks Generally – Prohibited on Certain Streets.

A motion was made by Alderman Wangelin to approve Ordinance 2025-2704 – Amending Chapter 18, Article VII – Trucks Generally – Prohibited on Certain Streets for second reading and adoption and second by Alderwoman Sobottka.

Vote 8 aye, motion carried.

2. Ordinance 2025-2705 – Amending the Rock Falls Municipal Code Adding Chapter 6, Article III, Division 1, Section 6-82 Relating to Accessory Buildings and Structures.

A motion was made by Alderwoman McKanna to approve Ordinance 2025-2705 – Amending the Rock Falls Municipal Code Adding Chapter 6, Article III, Division 1, Section 6-82 Relating to Accessory Buildings and Structures for second reading and adoption and second by Alderman Wangelin.

Vote 8 aye, motion carried.

3. Ordinance 2505-2706 – Amending Section 30-150 Relating to the Municipal Grocery Service Occupation Tax.

A motion was mad by Alderwoman Sobottka to approve Ordinance 2025-2706 – Amending Section 30-150 Relating to the Municipal Grocery Service Occupation Tax for second reading and adoption and second by Alderwoman McKanna.

Vote 8 aye, motion carried.

City Administrator:

1. Request from Jim Helle to have the City Council waive the storm water requirements for 319 1st Avenue, Rock Falls, IL in order to construct an accessory building for storage. A motion was made by Alderwoman McKanna to approve the request from Jim Helle to have the City Council waive the storm water requirements for 319 1st Avenue, Rock Falls, IL in order to construct an accessory building for storage and second by Alderwoman Sobottka.
Vote 8 aye, motion carried.
2. City Administrator Blackert presented the City Council a plaque the City was awarded recognition by the National US EPA Brownfield Region 5 for the Riverfront.

City Attorney:

None

City Departments:

None

Alderman Reports / Committee Chairman Requests

A motion was made by Alderman Wangelin to approve the Recommendation from the Public Works/Public Property Committee to renew the farm lease with Ted Jacobs for Lots 3, 4 and 5 in Glen's Garden Subdivision consisting of 40.5 tillable acres for the 2026 growing season at the current \$178.00 per tillable acre and second by Alderwoman Arduini.

Vote 8 aye, motion carried.

Alderwoman Arduini reminded council members of Art in the Park on Saturday, August 23, 2025. Eight new sculptures will be installed, and 25 artists will be on display.

Mayor's Report:

None

A motion was made by Alderwoman Sobottka to adjourn and second by Alderwoman Arduini.
Vote via voice, all approved (5:44 p.m.)

Pamela Martinez

Pamela Martinez, City Clerk

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603 W 10th Street

Rock Falls, Illinois

09/02/2025 Council Meeting

To the Mayor and City Council of the City of Rock Falls, your Committee on Finance would respectfully report that they have examined the following bills presented against the City, and have found the same correct and would recommend the payment of the various amounts to the several claimants as follows:

Tourism	\$2,882.80
General Fund	\$538,124.29
TIF Downtown Redevelopment	\$7,237.19
Electric	\$30,652.28
Sewer	\$13,462.97
Water	\$34,497.49
Garbage	\$138.99
Customer Service Center	\$1,538.19
Drug Fund	\$188.34
Motor Fuel Tax	\$13,726.07
Customer Utility Deposits	\$244.74
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	\$642,693.35

Alderman McKanna
Alderman Wangelin
Alderman Byrd
Alderman Stahr

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INVOICES DUE ON/BEFORE 08/22/2025

VENDOR #	NAME	PAID THIS FISCAL YEAR	AMOUNT DUE

TOURISM			
05	TOURISM		
5015	CARD SERVICE CENTER	25,531.38	143.10
5161	HUGHES MEDIA CORP	6,060.00	795.00
5308	LEAF	2,417.29	184.60
5389	MELINDA JONES	555.12	170.10
T0005680	ILLINOIS AUDUBON SOCIETY		100.00
	TOURISM		1,392.80
GENERAL FUND			
01	ADMINISTRATION		
5015	CARD SERVICE CENTER	25,531.38	525.00
	ADMINISTRATION		525.00
04	BUILDING		
5015	CARD SERVICE CENTER	25,531.38	2,895.00
5308	LEAF	2,417.29	96.96
5311	SAMSARA NETWORKS INC	2,220.00	20.00
	BUILDING		3,011.96
05	CITY CLERK'S OFFICE		
5015	CARD SERVICE CENTER	25,531.38	43.28
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06	POLICE		
4299	ILEAS		120.00
5015	CARD SERVICE CENTER	25,531.38	996.39
5061	JONATHAN CATER		112.32
795	SBM BUSINESS EQUIPMENT CENTER	4,161.70	2,631.83
	POLICE		3,860.54
07	CODE HEARING DEPARTMENT		

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GENERAL FUND			
07	CODE HEARING DEPARTMENT		
4027	WHITESIDE COUNTY RECORDER	304.50	5.25
4929	TIMOTHY J SLAVIN	2,850.00	850.00
5015	CARD SERVICE CENTER	25,531.38	159.00
	CODE HEARING DEPARTMENT		1,014.25
10	STREET		
194	GRUMMERT'S HARDWARE - R.F.	1,932.43	71.96
4207	O'REILLY AUTOMOTIVE INC	1,682.02	54.99
4447	FRANK'S SMALL ENGINE REPAIR	628.36	23.14
5015	CARD SERVICE CENTER	25,531.38	1,018.91
5141	CINTAS CORPORATION	829.46	165.32
5311	SAMSARA NETWORKS INC	2,220.00	200.00
5329	BF ENGINEERING PLLC	1,150.00	250.00
651	NICOR	11,040.71	185.84
T0000024	MILES TRUCK & TRAILER WORKS	35,841.85	137.24
	STREET		2,107.40
12	PUBLIC PROPERTY		
5015	CARD SERVICE CENTER	25,531.38	116.59
5369	HELM ELECTRIC	65,980.00	2,627.00
	PUBLIC PROPERTY		2,743.59
13	FIRE		
1493	WILLIAM & MARY COMPUTER CENTER	74,040.25	495.00
194	GRUMMERT'S HARDWARE - R.F.	1,932.43	17.09
5015	CARD SERVICE CENTER	25,531.38	1,731.48
5032	COMCAST	157.70	48.00
5444	LOCALITY MEDIA INC	9,838.75	615.00
638	NFPA		225.00
	FIRE		3,131.57
EMPLOYEE GROUP INSURANCE			
15	EMPLOYEE GROUP INS		

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EMPLOYEE GROUP INSURANCE			
15	EMPLOYEE GROUP INS		
T0004780	MAST WATER TECHNOLOGY	158.00	42.00
	EMPLOYEE GROUP INS		42.00
TIF - DOWNTOWN REDEVELOPMENT			
19	DOWNTOWN REDEVELOPMENT		
194	GRUMMERT'S HARDWARE - R.F.	1,932.43	9.44
5394	OLIVIA GUTIERREZ	1,530.00	80.00
T0006037	APPELQUIST FARMS LLC		1,700.00
	DOWNTOWN REDEVELOPMENT		1,789.44
ELECTRIC FUND			
20	OPERATION & MAINTENANCE		
1224	AIRGAS USA LLC	275.13	62.21
1493	WILLIAM & MARY COMPUTER CENTER	74,040.25	129.00
194	GRUMMERT'S HARDWARE - R.F.	1,932.43	13.48
283	ANIXTER INC	263,099.46	398.00
395	HILLS ELECTRIC MOTOR SERVICE	1,790.39	258.23
4995	CLOUDPOINT GEOSPATIAL INC	18,750.00	2,083.33
5015	CARD SERVICE CENTER	25,531.38	15.00
5141	CINTAS CORPORATION	829.46	72.56
5226	HUPP TOYOTALIFT		2,447.37
5311	SAMSARA NETWORKS INC	2,220.00	280.00
651	NICOR	11,040.71	58.88
	OPERATION & MAINTENANCE		5,818.06
SEWER FUND			
38	OPERATION & MAINTENANCE		
2379	JOE JOHNSON EQUIPMENT LLC	10,496.98	3,048.69
4045	SCADAWARE, INC.	2,044.20	2,340.00
4119	USA BLUE BOOK	4,219.43	151.95
4210	NCL OF WISCONSIN		284.13
4796	VERIZON WIRELESS	3,062.46	280.63
4913	MID-WEST TRUCKERS ASSOC INC	97.00	95.00
4995	CLOUDPOINT GEOSPATIAL INC	18,750.00	2,083.33
5015	CARD SERVICE CENTER	25,531.38	379.83

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SEWER FUND			
38	OPERATION & MAINTENANCE		
5311	SAMSARA NETWORKS INC	2,220.00	120.00
533	LECTRONICS, INC.	7,924.24	314.00
5369	HELM ELECTRIC	65,980.00	230.00
651	NICOR	11,040.71	301.71
	OPERATION & MAINTENANCE		9,629.27
WATER FUND			
40	WATER		
1023	WILLETT, HOFMANN & ASSOCIATES	123,279.90	7,548.05
4141	BEHRENS TRUCKING &	42,675.00	2,050.00
4361	FERGUSON WATERWORKS #2516	88,479.72	805.89
	WATER		10,403.94
48	OPERATION & MAINTENANCE		
194	GRUMMERT'S HARDWARE - R.F.	1,932.43	53.38
2192	PEABUDY'S INC.		1,127.47
4361	FERGUSON WATERWORKS #2516	88,479.72	1,285.15
4528	MODERN SHOE SHOP	1,142.47	492.99
4707	KIMBALL MIDWEST	505.59	537.60
4995	CLOUDPOINT GEOSPATIAL INC	18,750.00	2,083.34
5015	CARD SERVICE CENTER	25,531.38	379.95
5110	KUNES COUNTRY AUTO GROUP	63,354.52	2,987.64
5311	SAMSARA NETWORKS INC	2,220.00	120.00
774	ROCK RIVER READY MIX	2,206.11	327.78
T0000024	MILES TRUCK & TRAILER WORKS	35,841.85	1,154.45
	OPERATION & MAINTENANCE		10,549.75
GARBAGE FUND			
50	GARBAGE		
2451	MENARDS	7,904.65	69.99
5015	CARD SERVICE CENTER	25,531.38	69.00
	GARBAGE		138.99

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CUSTOMER SERVICE CENTER			
51	CUSTOMER SERVICE CENTER		
5015	CARD SERVICE CENTER	25,531.38	1,157.32
	CUSTOMER SERVICE CENTER		1,157.32
DRUG FUND			
56	DRUG ABUSE		
T0006038	NARTEC, INC		188.34
	DRUG ABUSE		188.34
MOTOR FUEL TAX FUND			
65	MOTOR FUEL TAX		
5183	COMPASS MINERALS AMERICA	8,947.13	8,952.47
774	ROCK RIVER READY MIX	2,206.11	273.60
	MOTOR FUEL TAX		9,226.07
	TOTAL ALL DEPARTMENTS		66,773.57

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TOURISM			
05	TOURISM		
5161	HUGHES MEDIA CORP	6,855.00	1,490.00
	TOURISM		1,490.00
GENERAL FUND			
06	POLICE		
1493	WILLIAM & MARY COMPUTER CENTER	74,664.25	275.00
4572	CHARLES SCHWAB & CO INC		471,046.85
5032	COMCAST	205.70	13.76
5096	TREASURER, STATE OF ILLINOIS		40.00
5097	ILLINOIS STATE POLICE		240.00
5098	ILLINOIS OFFICE OF THE		240.00
5429	AM URGENT CARE	510.00	340.00
662	RAY O'HERRON CO., INC.	2,047.29	4,066.02
T0004769	MOBRE COUNSELING SERVICES LLC	750.00	750.00
	POLICE		477,011.63
10	STREET		
1023	WILLETT, HOFMANN & ASSOCIATES	130,827.95	13,474.65
1279	WILCO RENTAL	1,523.45	108.58
194	GRUMMERT'S HARDWARE - R.F.	2,097.78	48.45
2451	MENARDS	7,974.64	273.39
2985	CAPITAL ONE	2,175.68	136.34
4207	O'REILLY AUTOMOTIVE INC	1,737.01	166.28
4796	VERIZON WIRELESS	3,343.09	47.40
4938	MICHLIG ENERGY LTD	190,721.18	662.72
5394	OLIVIA GUTIERREZ	1,610.00	125.00
852	S.J. SMITH CO INC	155.66	12.09
T0005924	JEFF MURRAY		5,000.00
T0006042	S AND L BLACKTOP		5,850.00
	STREET		25,904.90
12	PUBLIC PROPERTY		
1023	WILLETT, HOFMANN & ASSOCIATES	130,827.95	6,871.10
2063	TRUGREEN PROCESSING CENTER		6,150.00
	PUBLIC PROPERTY		13,021.10

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GENERAL FUND			
13	FIRE		
194	GRUMMERT'S HARDWARE - R.F.	2,097.78	15.29
2301	STERLING NAPA	343.49	7.49
2985	CAPITAL ONE	2,175.68	258.45
5352	ROCK FALLS FIREFIGHTERS		3,594.84
638	NFPA	225.00	1,552.50
T0006039	ILLINOIS LABOR LAW POSTER SERV		278.50
	FIRE		5,707.07
TIF - DOWNTOWN REDEVELOPMENT			
19	DOWNTOWN REDEVELOPMENT		
5394	OLIVIA GUTIERREZ	1,610.00	60.00
580	MCCORMICK'S	216.00	5,387.75
	DOWNTOWN REDEVELOPMENT		5,447.75
ELECTRIC FUND			
20	OPERATION & MAINTENANCE		
1023	WILLETT, HOFMANN & ASSOCIATES	130,827.95	1,179.90
110	BONNELL INDUSTRIES, INC.	4,557.35	3,799.20
1604	NEW PIG CORPORATION		532.38
194	GRUMMERT'S HARDWARE - R.F.	2,097.78	64.34
283	ANIXTER INC	263,497.46	64.00
2985	CAPITAL ONE	2,175.68	270.85
4207	O'REILLY AUTOMOTIVE INC	1,737.01	19.74
4215	POWER LINE SUPPLY	3,018.60	479.30
4796	VERIZON WIRELESS	3,343.09	648.88
5038	ULINE		802.17
5332	TYNDALE	1,580.25	1,259.60
5369	HELM ELECTRIC	68,837.00	695.00
5380	WINTROY SUPPLY LLC	413.00	512.64
5441	INTREN LLC	115,305.95	12,145.14
T0001959	SAUK VALLEY PLUMBING INC	30,786.99	1,753.69
T0004455	ROCK RIVER CARTAGE INC	3,020.08	596.24
T0005965	MIDFIRST BANK		11.15
	OPERATION & MAINTENANCE		24,834.22

SEWER FUND

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SEWER FUND			
38	OPERATION & MAINTENANCE		
200	COM ED	716.46	157.02
2985	CAPITAL ONE	2,175.68	294.06
34	ALTORFER INC.	12,623.55	2,076.70
350	GISI BROS INC	3,065.10	250.00
4119	USA BLUE BOOK	4,371.38	1,055.92
	OPERATION & MAINTENANCE		3,833.70
WATER FUND			
40	WATER		
T0005924	JEFF MURRAY		5,000.00
	WATER		5,000.00
48	OPERATION & MAINTENANCE		
2067	HELM MATERIALS	5,997.42	406.58
2985	CAPITAL ONE	2,175.68	126.59
4361	FERGUSON WATERWORKS #2516	90,570.76	913.60
4610	MIDWEST CHLORINATING INC		5,900.00
4796	VERIZON WIRELESS	3,343.09	38.01
4938	MICHLIG ENERGY LTD	190,721.18	255.67
5171	FERGUSON ENTERPRISES LLC	6,201.80	903.35
	OPERATION & MAINTENANCE		8,543.80
CUSTOMER SERVICE CENTER			
51	CUSTOMER SERVICE CENTER		
5146	DIANE SHEPHERD		266.85
5206	JENNA KUSTER	615.13	114.02
	CUSTOMER SERVICE CENTER		380.87
MOTOR FUEL TAX FUND			
65	MOTOR FUEL TAX		
4222	SHERWIN INDUSTRIES, INC		4,500.00
	MOTOR FUEL TAX		4,500.00

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CUSTOMER UTILITY DEPOSITS			
75	CUSTOMER UTILITY DEPOSITS		
T0006040	KELLY URRUTIA		244.74
	CUSTOMER UTILITY DEPOSITS		244.74
	TOTAL ALL DEPARTMENTS		575,919.78

PETITION REQUESTING REZONING OF REAL ESTATE

TO: City Council of the City of Rock Falls, Illinois

PAID
AUG 18 2025

IN RE: Application of Angel Spot
(Petitioner)

BY: 75.00 MKC

_____, and _____, Petitioners,
hereby respectfully petition the City Council of the City of Rock Falls, Illinois, as follows:

1. Petitioners are the owners of the real property located at 1119 10th Av.
Rock Falls
(Address of Property)

which is legally described as: ATTACHED

NOTE: If Petitioners are not the owners of the real property, then the interest of Petitioners in the real property must be disclosed and all information pertaining to ownership and other interests in the property must be disclosed. Attach a separate sheet which details the right and interest of Petitioners in the real property.

2. Said real property is presently classified under the Zoning Ordinance of the City of Rock Falls as R-2.
(Present Zoning Ordinance)

3. Petitioners request that the zoning classification of said real estate be changed to B-2, and that the zoning map of the City of Rock Falls be amended to reflect such change.

4. Petitioners further request that the City Council refer this application to the Planning Commission of the City of Rock Falls for conducting a public hearing on the proposed change and amendment.

5. Petitioners have submitted, and placed on file with the Building Official of the City of Rock Falls copies of any proposed Ordinance for change of zoning or for amendment to the map, and/or copies of any and all maps or plans for the development proposed upon said real estate.

Dated: 8-5-25

Angel Mendez
(Petitioner)

(Petitioner)