

**ROCKFORD CITY COUNCIL PUBLIC HEARING  
AND COUNCIL MEETING**

**FEBRUARY 12, 2019  
7:30 P.M.**

1. The Rockford City Council met in regular session at City Hall on February 12, 2019. Mayor Johnson opened the meeting at 7:30 P.M. Present were Council Members Al Marth, Jason Stokes, Corey Johnson and Vern Arndt. Also present were citizens Rita Hirv, Darci Mallo, Mike Smith, Alex Hirv and Public Works Assistant Dan Paulus.
2. Motion Marth, sec. Stokes to approve the agenda as posted. Passed all ayes. Motion carried.
3. Motion Marth, sec. Johnson to open Public Hearing at 7:31 P.M. for purpose of discussing and selecting a citizen to fill the vacant council seat left by Daniel Paulus's resignation on December 19, 2018. Passed all ayes roll call vote. Mayor asked for any written or oral objections or comments: there being none, Motion Marth, sec. Arndt to close Public Hearing at 7:32 P.M.
4. Motion Marth, sec. Stokes to approve Mayor Johnson's appointment of Alex Hirv to fill the vacant council seat until the original term has expired on December 31, 2021. Passed with the following roll call vote. Ayes: Marth, Stokes, Arndt and Johnson.
5. Motion Stokes, sec. Johnson to approve the consent agenda consisting of January 8<sup>th</sup> council minutes, monthly reports, claims and expenses. Passed all ayes. Motion carried.
6. Motion Johnson, sec. Marth to permit Rita Hirv to install a sump pump drainage line from her house to the alley. This line will cross a City easement and City workers will be available for consultation during the installation in April 2019. Passed all ayes. Motion carried.
7. Motion Marth, sec. Arndt to donate \$2000.00 to RRMR Summer Recreation. Passed all ayes. Motion carried.
8. Motion Marth, sec. Stokes to grant permission for Mike Smith with the Rockford Community Gardens to organize and move forward with planning garden plots located at West Park for interested community members. Passed all ayes. Motion carried.
9. Motion Johnson, sec. Stokes to allow billing adjustments on utility bills for water and sewer consumption if the account holder was requested by the Public Works Department to run water during the recent cold weather. Passed all ayes. Motion carried.
10. Motion Marth, sec. Arndt to approve purchase of toolbox for the Public Works Department. Passed all ayes. Motion carried.
11. Motion Marth, sec. Arndt to set City Wide Clean-up dates for May 15-21, 2019. Jendro Sanitation and the City will have dumpsters located at the City dump on these days. Specific hours for drop off will be posted at a later date. Passed all ayes. Motion carried.
12. Motion Marth, sec. Arndt to set Rockford City Wide Rummage Sale date for the weekend of May 18, 2019. Passed all ayes. Motion carried.
13. Motion Marth, sec. Arndt to hire Complete Appliance for all appliance pickup set for Monday, May 20, 2019. Passed all ayes. Motion carried.

14. Motion Marth, sec. Johnson to waive community center rental fee for Farm Bureau Federation on April 6, 2019. Passed all ayes. Motion Carried.
15. Motion Marth, sec. Johnson to set the 2019-2020 Fiscal Year Budget Public Hearing for March 12, 2019 at 7:30 P.M. at City Hall. Passed all ayes. Motion Carried.
16. Discussion was held on the Light Plant and City of Rockford merger.
17. Motion Marth, sec. Stokes to set Public Workshop on March 12, 2019 at 6:30 P.M. with the Light Plant Board at City Hall. Passed all ayes. Motion Carried.
18. Motion Stokes, sec. Marth to approve Fullerton Excavating Inc. bid for ash disposal from the City burn site in the amount of \$3,060.00. Passed all ayes. Motion Carried.
19. Motion Johnson, sec. Marth to begin requesting estimates for City Hall roof, flooring, and paint. Passed all ayes. Motion carried.
20. Discussion was held on Code of Ordinance changes.
21. Dan Paulus reported on snow removal and a water main repair on 2<sup>nd</sup> Avenue SE.
22. Motion Marth, sec. Johnson to adjourn at 9:07 P.M.

January Receipts: General \$8,884.37, Library \$10,307.12, Road Use \$9,383.20, Employee Benefits \$176.26, Emergency \$31.62, LOST \$5,898.22, Debt Service \$175.70, Capital Street Project \$27,136.44, Water \$14,770.33, Water Meter Deposit Fund \$100.00, Sewer \$11,238.68

January Disbursements: General \$20,503.62, Library \$2,604.70, Road Use \$1,488.92, Employee Benefits \$2,475.54, Water \$14,371.90, Water Meter Deposit Fund \$200.00, Sewer \$8,604.24

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Scott Johnson  
Mayor

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Jessica Dow  
Deputy Clerk