

**ROCKFORD CITY COUNCIL PUBLIC HEARING  
& REGULAR MEETING**

**MARCH 12, 2019**

1. The Rockford City council met in regular session at City Hall on Tuesday, March 12, 2019. Mayor Johnson called the meeting to order at 7:30 P.M. Present were Council Members Johnson, Arndt, Marth, Hirv, and Stokes. Citizens present were Angela Day, Zach Johnson, Janette Lien, Harry White, Pat Sinning, Mike Smith and Public Works Director Randy Schweizer.

Motion Marth, sec. Johnson to approve the agenda as posted. Passed all ayes roll call vote.

2. Motion Marth, sec. Johnson to open Budget Hearing at 7:31 P.M. for purposed 2019-2020 City Budget as published. Passed all ayes roll call vote. Mayor asked for any written or oral objections or comments: there being none, Motion Arndt, sec. Johnson to close Budget Hearing at 7:32 P.M.
3. Motion Johnson, sec. Arndt to approve Resolution #2019-05 adopting the Annual Budget for Fiscal Year ending June 30, 2020. Passed with the following roll call vote: Marth, Hirv, Stokes, Johnson and Arndt.
4. Motion Johnson, sec. Arndt to approve the consent agenda consisting of February 12<sup>th</sup>, 2019 Council Minutes, Monthly Reports, Claims and Expenses. All ayes. Motion carried.
5. Motion Marth, sec. Hirv to approve the Public Works Department to estimate water utility bills for the upcoming March 15<sup>th</sup> meter reading due to weather related snow drifts impacting paths to water meters. All ayes. Motion carried.
6. Motion Marth, sec. Stokes to let out for bids last piece of main street to be asphalted. All ayes. Motion carried.
7. Motion Marth, sec. Johnson to donate \$250.00 to the RRMR After Prom. All ayes. Motion carried.
8. Motion Marth, sec. Johnson to donate \$100.00 to the Easter Egg Committee with the hunt being held on April 20<sup>th</sup> at 10:00 A.M. All ayes. Motion carried.
9. Motion Marth, sec. Johnson to approve city paying for Library Director, Stacy Campbell's, United Health Care and Principal Life Premiums' in March for her April Health, Dental and Life Care Benefit's while she is on leave of absence without pay. All ayes. Motion carried.
10. Motion Stokes, sec. Johnson to donate \$500.00 to the Grow Committee for Main Street Flowers. All ayes. Motion carried.
11. Motion Marth, sec. Johnson to donate \$500.00 to Rockford Historical Society. All ayes. Motion carried.

12. Mike Smith reported on the Rockford Community Gardens meeting that was held at Rockford City Hall last week. Mike asked the council if it would be ok to have an alternate spot for the Garden at Block 12 previous flood address of 109 1<sup>st</sup> Ave N.W. There were some members of the Community that voiced concern of having it at West Park. Council didn't see why there would be any reason why he couldn't put it there as long as he kept it on the far Southeast Corner of that Block. There will be an upcoming Rockford Community Gardens meeting on Tuesday, March 19<sup>th</sup>, 2019 at 7:00 P.M. at City Hall for interested residents of Rockford.
13. Discussion was held on the Light Plant and City of Rockford merger.
14. City Hall Building Maintenance tabled until next meeting.
15. Motion Stokes, sec. Johnson to approve moving forward with changing the City Animal Ordinance.  
Ayes: Stokes, Hirv and Johnson. Nays: Marth and Arndt.
16. Public Works Director Randy Schweizer discussed snow removal and storm sewer being plugged.
17. Mayor Johnson discussed that Public Works Director no longer is certified as a police officer. Scott did inform council Randy can still enforce City Code per Mayor and Council.

February Receipts: General \$64,146.81, Library \$280.17, Road Use \$9,298.74, Employee Benefits \$37.25, Emergency \$6.67, Debt Service \$37.15, Water \$14,700.76, Sewer \$11,416.31

February Disbursements: General \$14,049.25, Library \$1,529.68, Road Use \$3,118.86, Employee Benefits \$2,339.05, Water \$11,905.51, Water Dep Refund \$300.00 Sewer \$10,753.24

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Scott Johnson  
Mayor

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Pamela Hopper  
City Clerk