

ROCKFORD CITY COUNCIL REGULAR MEETING

JUNE 9TH, 2020
7:30 P.M.

1. The Rockford City Council met in regular session and was called to order via Zoom teleconference by Mayor Scott Johnson at 7:30 P.M. Due to heightened Public health risks surrounding the spread of the COVID-19 virus, Federal, State and Local public health suggested guidelines of social distancing, it was determined that holding a “normal” meeting was impracticable. The agenda displayed instructions for the public to participate in this meeting and was posted. All present in meeting participated remotely via Zoom teleconference. Council Members were Hirv, Stokes, Johnson, Hoffarth @ 7:31 P.M. & Arndt @ 8:00 P.M. Citizens were Angie Johnson, Alvin Marth, Kyndra Chambers, Joseph & Ashley Dorn, Andy Achenbach, Sharon Hicok, and Public Works Director Randy Schweizer.

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

2. Discussion was held about when mosquito spraying will be done. They have been called and we are on the list of towns to be done as soon as they can get in between rains and the hatching of mosquitos.
3. Motion Hirv, sec. Stokes to approve the consent agenda consisting of May 12th, 2020 Council Minutes, Monthly Reports, Claims and Expenses, and Liquor License for Rockford Volunteer Fire Department and Yesway tobacco permit. Passed all ayes roll call vote.
4. Motion Hirv, sec. Johnson to approve building permit variance at property of 19 1st St. N. Passed all ayes roll call vote.
5. Motion Stokes, sec. Hirv to approve building permit variance at property of 401 W. Main Ave. Passed all ayes roll call vote.
6. Motion Stokes, sec. Johnson to decline the sidewalk removal on east side of 6th St NE. Passed all ayes roll call vote.
7. Motion Stokes, sec. Hirv to purchase garland with lights and red velvet bows from Display Sales for no more than \$4,728.77. Passed all ayes roll call vote.
8. Motion Johnson, sec. Arndt to approve the bid for the International Dump Truck for \$355.00 from Daniel Paulus. Passed all ayes roll call vote.
9. Discussion was held on the Spring Cleanup that was held for 2020. There was mention to see if possible someone from Jendro could be at the July meeting to discuss different ways in which maybe we can go about spring cleanup moving forward.

10. Motion Stokes, sec. Arndt approved the purchase of a new water heater for the campground and for the old one that broke that was returned to be put in the public works building shop. Passed all ayes roll call vote.
11. Discussion was held with Grow on the cleaning up on the boulevard that has been taking place from the group; the lights that have been purchased that will be done next year, and wanting to give thanks to Public Works and Rockford Light Plant Employees for taking down and putting up the new pole by the bank. They also mentioned they would like to Thank Dennis & Janice Ernst and Jerry & Karen Schlader for cleaning up and painting the sign on the east side of town as you come into Rockford.
12. Motion Hoffarth sec. Stokes to publish ad for the City's Part-time Custodial Position in paper and on website and to have applications due in to City Hall by July 9th, 2020 by 4 P.M. Passed all ayes roll call vote.
13. Mayor Johnson reported to the council that the city's attorney is reviewing the U.S. Cellular Contract for their lease on the water tower. He also reported that there was a steak cook off with judges that was held in the Wyatt Park Campground. The event was a success and they are considering making their annual event to be held here every year. Mayor Johnson expressed how he felt it would be very beneficial for our community if they did.
14. Public Works Director Randy Schweizer reported on the black top roads, rock chip edging, cleaning dump for spring cleanup, and getting Wyatt Park campground and bathrooms ready for the season.
15. Motion Stokes, sec. Hirv to adjourn at 8:26 P.M.

May Receipts: General \$19,655.85, Library \$304.60, Road Use Taxes \$8,117.99, Employee Benefits \$1,941.54, Emergency \$299.07, LOST \$7,131.65, Debt Service \$18,693.33, Water \$14,211.04, Sewer \$11,018.79

May Disbursements: General \$27,133.87, Library \$2,022.68, Road Use \$3,153.08, Employee Benefits \$3,580.92, Debt Service \$52,989.75, Capitol City Hall Project \$4,107.00, Water \$28,364.77, Sewer \$10,117.06

Scott Johnson
Mayor

Pamela Hopper
City Clerk

