

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

**DECEMBER 13, 2022
7:30 P.M.**

1. The Rockford City Council met in regular session at City Hall on Tuesday, December 13, 2022. Mayor Johnson called the meeting to order at 7:30 P.M. Present were Council Members Seibert, Hoffarth, Enabnit and with Schlader and Medlin absent. Citizens present were Angie Johnson, Sandi Willman, Peg Huisman, Donna Smith, Darlene Eaton, Harry White, and Larry Pump with Larry Pump CPA, and employee Daniel Paulus.

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

2. Motion Hoffarth, sec. Enabnit to open Public Hearing at 7:31 P.M. for purposed Johnson Addition Lots 3 & 4 as published. Passed all ayes roll call vote. Mayor Johnson asked for any written or oral objections or comments: there being none, Motion Enabnit, sec. Seibert to close Public Hearing at 7:34 P.M.
3. Motion Hoffarth, sec. Enabnit to approve Resolution #2022-26 approving the bid for Lots 3 & 4 from Russell & Mary Litterer for \$3,070.00. Passed all ayes roll call vote.
4. Motion Hoffarth, sec. Seibert to approve consent agenda consisting of November 15, 2022 Council Minutes, Monthly Reports, and Claims & Expenses. All ayes. Motion carried.
5. Motion Enabnit, sec. Hoffarth to approve July 1, 2021 through June 30, 2022 Annual Examination Report presented by Larry Pump. All ayes. Motion carried. A copy of the report may be viewed at City Hall during working hours.
6. Motion Enabnit, sec. Seibert to approve the city to have a commercial water softener installed for the community center kitchen through Culligan Water Conditioning Inc. The City will pay for the one time installation fee, monthly rental fee, and delivery fee of salt. All ayes. Motion carried.
7. Motion Hoffarth, sec. Seibert to approve change order for the city hall sidewalk to JC Construction & Concrete in the amount of \$200.00. All ayes. Motion carried.
8. Motion Hoffarth, sec. Enabnit to approve paying the full amount of the RAKA bill totaling \$3,261.31 for the rental of a lift for work done at the property of 109

W. Main Ave. All ayes. Motion carried. The city is requesting that Iowa Wall Sawing Service Inc. reimburse the city for half the cost of the rental.

9. Motion Enabnit, sec. Hoffarth to approve public works employee Daniel Paulus up to \$1,000.00 to purchase holiday decorations for central park. All ayes. Motion carried.
10. Motion Hoffarth, sec. Seibert to approve a donation of \$200.00 to Paige Martin with Farm Bureau insurance towards the holiday bags for this past week's holiday stroll. All ayes. Motion carried.
11. Motion Enabnit, sec. Seibert to budget annually up to 15 years a \$10,000.00 donation to the Rockford Grow Committee towards walking trails that will go through town and connect to the Rockford Fossil Park trails. All ayes. Motion carried. Angie Johnson with Grow is applying for grants and requesting donations from other organizations for this project as well. The Grow committee is anticipating the project to be complete way in advance to the city's donation threshold.
12. Motion Enabnit, sec. Hoffarth to open Public Hearing at 8:12 P.M. for discussing Ordinance #254 to raise water volume rates & capital improvement fees. Passed all ayes roll call vote. Mayor asked for any written or oral objections or comments: there being none, Motion Enabnit, sec. Hoffarth to close Public Hearing at 8:13 P.M.
13. Motion Enabnit, sec. Hoffarth to put upon its first reading Ordinance #254, amending the Code of Ordinances of the City of Rockford, Iowa by amending provisions pertaining to water volume rates & capital improvement fees. And by adding the statutory rule requiring said Ordinance to be considered and voted on for passage at two council meetings prior to the meeting at which it is to be finally passed be waived, and that Ordinance #254, amending the Code of Ordinance of the City of Rockford, Iowa, by amending and to be put upon its final passage and officially adopted, upon publications. Passed all ayes roll call vote.
14. Motion Enabnit, sec. Hoffarth to open Public Hearing at 8:13 P.M. for discussing Ordinance #255 to raise sewer base & volume rates. Passed all ayes roll call vote. Mayor asked for any written or oral objections or comments: there being none, Motion Enabnit, sec. Hoffarth to close Public Hearing at 8:14 P.M.
15. Motion Enabnit, sec. Hoffarth to put upon its first reading Ordinance #255, amending the Code of Ordinances of the City of Rockford, Iowa by amending provisions pertaining to sewer base & volumes rates. And by adding the statutory

- rule requiring said Ordinance to be considered and voted on for passage at two council meetings prior to the meeting at which it is to be finally passed be waived, and that Ordinance #255, amending the Code of Ordinance of the City of Rockford, Iowa, by amending and to be put upon its final passage and officially adopted, upon publications. Passed all ayes roll call vote.
16. Motion Enabnit, sec. Hoffarth to open Public Hearing at 8:14 P.M. for discussing Ordinance #256 to planting trees in city parking. Passed all ayes roll call vote. Mayor asked for any written or oral objections or comments: there being none, Motion Enabnit, sec. Hoffarth to close Public Hearing at 8:15 P.M.
 17. Motion Enabnit, sec. Hoffarth to put upon its first reading Ordinance #256, amending the Code of Ordinances of the City of Rockford, Iowa by amending provisions pertaining to planting trees in city parking. And by adding the statutory rule requiring said Ordinance to be considered and voted on for passage at two council meetings prior to the meeting at which it is to be finally passed be waived, and that Ordinance #256, amending the Code of Ordinance of the City of Rockford, Iowa, by amending and to be put upon its final passage and officially adopted, upon publications. Passed all ayes roll call vote.
 18. Public Works Employee Daniel Paulus reported on getting equipment ready for snow and mixing more salt & sand for winter weather.
 19. Mayor Johnson reported on the derelict building grant workshop that he attended. He also asked the council to start thinking about which way they would like to proceed with the 109 W. Main Ave property.
 20. Motion Hoffarth, sec. Enabnit to adjourn at 8:25 P.M.

November Receipts: General \$16,162.39, Library \$5,504.46, Road Use \$8,244.37, Employee Benefits \$1,485.34, Emergency Fund \$209.48, Debt Service \$1,199.68, Water \$16,316.95, Water Deposit \$100.00, Sewer \$11,763.92

November Disbursements: General \$33,876.14, Library \$2,896.19, Road Use \$2,521.35, Employee Benefits \$3,903.19, Debt Service \$6,852.50, Capital WA Meter \$2,241.55, Water \$11,935.79, Water Deposit Refunds \$500.00, Sewer \$12,120.85

Scott Johnson
Mayor

Pamela Hopper
City Clerk