

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

**MAY 14, 2024  
7:30 P.M.**

1. The Rockford City Council met in regular session at City Hall on Tuesday, May 14, 2024. Mayor Johnson called the meeting to order at 7:30 P.M. Present were Council Members Seibert, Johnson, Enabnit, and Schlader with Medlin absent. Citizens present were Daniel Tegtmeier with Iowa Northern Railway Company, Chris Kehoe and Dave Hoffman with Jendro Sanitation, Tony & Yolanda Harden, Bill Dow, Fran DeGroot, Spenser Gruis, Rustin Lingbeek with SEH @ 7:46 P.M. and Public Works Employee Randy Schweizer.

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

2. Discussion was held with Fran DeGroot on her concerns with the sound level in the community center room. She asked the council if they would consider adding more sound barriers to the wall or the ceiling.
3. City resident Bill Dow asked the council to share his flyer for the Annual Light UP Wyatt for Christmas event that will run from November 29 to January 6 to the city's website and Facebook page.
4. Motion Enabnit, sec. Seibert to open Public Hearing at 7:34 P.M. for discussing Ordinance #259 to raise water volume rates. Passed all ayes roll call vote. Mayor Johnson asked for any written or oral objections or comments: there being none, Motion Schlader, sec. Enabnit to close Public Hearing at 7:35 P.M.

Motion Johnson, sec. Schlader to put upon its first reading Ordinance #259, Amending the Code of Ordinances of the City of Rockford, Iowa, amending provisions pertaining to water volume rates. Passed by the following roll call vote. Ayes: Johnson, Enabnit, Schlader, and Seibert.

5. Motion Seibert, sec. Enabnit to open Public Hearing at 7:36 P.M. for discussion Ordinance #260 to raise sewer volume rates. Passed all ayes roll call vote. Mayor Johnson asked for any written or oral objections or comments: there being none, Motion Schlader, sec. Enabnit to close Public Hearing at 7:37 P.M.

Motion Seibert, sec. Johnson to put upon its first reading Ordinance #260, Amending the Code of Ordinances of the City of Rockford, Iowa, amending provisions pertaining to sewer volume rates. Passed by the following roll call vote. Ayes: Enabnit, Schlader, Seibert, and Johnson.

6. Motion Enabnit, sec. Schlader to approve consent agenda consisting of both April 9<sup>th</sup>, 2024 Council Minutes, and April 23<sup>rd</sup>, 2024 Council Minutes, Monthly Reports, and Claims & Expenses. Passed all ayes. Motion carried.
7. Discussion was held with Daniel Tegtmeier with Iowa Northern Railway Company to see if the city would be willing to close the railroad crossings on 2<sup>nd</sup> St SE, 1<sup>st</sup> St S, and 3<sup>rd</sup> St SW for safety concerns. Discussion was also held on different options for the railroad depot.
8. Discussion was held on Tree Variance at 501 2<sup>nd</sup> Ave NE.
9. Discussion was held with Rustin Lingbeek from SEH on the water tower project.
10. Motion Enabnit, sec. Seibert to approve Rustin Lingbeek with SEH to submit the Anti Deg Report on the Wastewater Treatment Facility. Passed all ayes. Motion carried.
11. Discussion was held with Rustin Lingbeek with SEH on looking into different finance options for the Wastewater Facility Project.
12. Motion Seibert, sec. Enabnit to approve JC Construction bid of \$12,500 for concrete work in the south side of the Public Works building. Passed all ayes. Motion carried.

13. Street patch for 8<sup>th</sup> Street SE was tabled until next meeting.
14. Motion Seibert, sec. Enabnit to approve the bid from Federal Fire Equipment for \$1,025.00 for installation of cellular radio to the security alarm at City Hall. Passed all ayes. Motion carried.
15. Discussion was held with Chris Kehoe with Jendro Sanitation and setting up a meeting with the Solid Waste Committee and Mayor for discussions on the garbage contract.
16. Motion Enabnit, sec. Schlader to approve Mayor Johnson's appointment of Mark Reams Library Board Trustee for a six year term, with term to expire on June 30, 2030. Passed all ayes. Motion carried.
17. Motion Johnson, sec. Schlader to approve Resolution #2024-11 transfer of Road Use Funds to Capital Street Project Fund. Passed all ayes roll call vote.
18. Motion Schlader, sec. Enabnit to approve Resolution #2024-12 transfer of LOST Funds to Capital Street Project Fund. Passed all ayes roll call vote.
19. Motion Johnson, sec. Seibert to approve Resolution #2024-13 transfer of Water Funds to Capital Improvement Fund. Passed all ayes roll call vote.
20. Motion Seibert, sec. Enabnit to approve Resolution #2024-14 transfer of Water Funds to Capital Water Tower Fund. Passed all ayes roll call vote.
21. Motion Enabnit, sec. Johnson to approve Resolution #2024-15 approving the Designation of SLFRF Funds. Passed all ayes roll call vote.
22. Public Works employee Randy Schweizer reported on the black topping of roads, city tree removal, and the water tower project.
23. Motion Enabnit, sec. Seibert to adjourn at 9:25 P.M.

April Receipts: General \$83,490.26, Library \$13,174.04, Road Use \$8,671.17, Employee Benefits \$15,725.41, Emergency \$1,956.22, LOST \$7,294.88, Debt Service \$11,890.30, Water \$20,976.17, Water Deposit \$100.00, Sewer \$12,774.73

April Disbursements: General \$65,469.39, Library \$3,640.14, Road Use \$2,325.55, Employee Benefits \$2,902.16, Capital Water Tower Project \$445.88, Water \$26,689.62, Water Deposit Refund \$8.71, Sewer \$13,612.89

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Scott Johnson  
Mayor

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Pamela Hopper  
City Clerk

