

ROCKFORD CITY COUNCIL REGULAR MEETING

JANUARY 14th, 2025

7:30 P.M.

1. The Rockford City Council met in regular session at City Hall on Tuesday, January 14, 2025. Mayor Johnson called the meeting to order at 7:30 P.M. Present were Council Members Enabnit, Schlader, Seibert, and Medlin with Johnson absent. Citizens present were Angie Johnson, Liz Enabnit with Farm Bureau Financial, Bill Dow, Spenser Gruis, Jake & Darci Mallo, Chris Diggins with NIACOG at 7:40 P.M., Rustin Linbeek with SEH at 7:40 P.M. and employees Daniel Paulus and Heidi Stufflebeam.

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

2. Citizen Bill Dow wanted to thank the council for the use of electricity at the campground for this year's Rockford Holiday light show.
3. Motion Schlader, sec. Medlin to approve the consent agenda consisting of December 3 & 10, 2024 Council Minutes, Monthly Reports, Claims and Expenses. Passed all ayes. Motion carried.
4. Motion Seibert, sec. Schlader to approve Engagement Letter with Speer Financial as the city's Municipal Advisor for the Sewer Revenue Project for the SRF loan process. Passed all ayes roll call vote.
5. City Hall security alarm was tabled until next meeting.
6. Public Works Director Daniel Paulus informed the council about the abuse of use for the recycling dumpster that has been put down to the city dump for RRMR school fundraising. Council would like the dumpster moved out of city dump. They advised someone to talk to the school to see that it be moved to the school.
7. Jake & Darci Mallo voiced their concerns to the council about their property at 113 W. Main Ave since the city's building at 109 W. Main Ave was demolished.
8. Motion Medlin, sec. Schlader to approve variance at 509 2nd Ave N.W. Passed all ayes. Motion carried.
9. Angie Johnson with Grow told the council that they received a grant for the walking trail at the campground from both Floyd County Community Foundation and First Security Bank and Trust.
10. Motion Enabnit, sec. Seibert to approve a 6 month office lease agreement starting on January 20, 2025 with Liz Enabnit with Farm Bureau Financial. Passed all ayes roll call vote.
11. Chris Diggins with NIACOG and Rustin Lingbeek with SEH spoke with the council on the next steps with the sewer lagoon project.
12. Motion Enabnit, sec. Seibert to approve to donate \$649.00 to the Nora Springs Ambulance. Passed all ayes. Motion carried.
13. Motion Schlader, sec. Medlin to approve Resolution #2025-03 setting policy for voting procedures. Passed all ayes roll call vote.
14. Motion Enabnit, sec. Seibert to approve Resolution #2025-04 authorizing immediate payment. Passed all ayes roll call vote.
15. Motion Enabnit, sec. Seibert to approve Resolution #2025-05 appointing official newspaper and naming depositories. Passed all ayes roll call vote.
16. Motion Medlin, sec. Schlader to approve Resolution #2025-06 Setting Standard Mileage Rate at 70 cents per mile. Passed all ayes roll call vote.

17. Mayor Johnson appointed the following committees for 2025 calendar year. Mayor Protem - Sharon Enabnit, Parks & Recreation – Sharon Enabnit, Alexandra Seibert & Mayor Scott Johnson, Streets – Jerry Schlader & Derek Johnson, Water & Sewer – Jerry Schlader & Derek Johnson, Solid Waste – Jerry Schlader & Derek Johnson, Nuisance Properties – Jerry Schlader, Derek Johnson & Mayor Scott Johnson, Liaison to Library Board – Jerry Schlader & Alexandra Seibert, Liaison to Fire Board – Brent Medlin & Alexandra Seibert, Liaison to Light Plant – Brent Medlin & Alexandra Seibert, Emergency Management – Sharon Enabnit & Mayor Scott Johnson, Employee Relations – Sharon Enabnit, Alexandra Seibert & Mayor Scott Johnson, Regional Housing Task Force – Mayor Scott Johnson, Liaison to NIACOG Board – Sharon Enabnit & Brent Medlin, Liaison to GROW – Mayor Scott Johnson.
18. Public Works Director Daniel Paulus reported to the council on 2 water main breaks that were fixed and another one that is leaking that is not located yet, taking down Christmas décor, wastewater classes and cleaning of the shop.
19. Council member Enabnit shared with the council about an upcoming Housing Development meeting that will be at Music Man Square.
20. Mayor Johnson reported to the council that the DNR final approval was done with the derelict building grant and the Union Contract that was approved from the Rockford Municipal Light Plant.
21. Motion Seibert, sec. Enabnit to adjourn at 8:07 P.M.

The annual gross wages for the employees of the City of Rockford calendar year 2024 are as follows: Public Works Director – Randy Schweizer - \$67,941.29, Public Works Assistant – Daniel Paulus - \$68,006.07, Public Works Assistant – Jeff Eilertsen - \$9,490.50, Public Works Temp Help – Russell Sido - \$150.00, Robert Hunt - \$757.50, City Clerk – Pamela Hopper \$61,347.78, Deputy Clerk – Heidi Stufflebeam - \$39,446.36, Custodian – Kelsey Bayim - \$4,766.76, Library Director – Emily Deetz - \$20,831.79, Library Assistant – Angie Johnson - \$3,674.69, Library Subs – Margaret Nash - \$1,149.52, Rosalie Harden - \$1,081.64, Mayor – Scott Johnson - \$6,000.00, Council Members – Derek Johnson - \$1,200.00, Jerome Schlader - \$1,140.00, Sharon Enabnit - \$1,140.00, Brent Medlin - \$480.00, and Alexandra Seibert - \$1,200.00

December Receipts: General \$26,057.29, Library \$2,437.62, Road Use \$8,697.65, Employee Benefits \$1,860.34, LOST \$6,550.82, Debt Service \$7,587.11, Capital Water Project \$4,634.39, Water \$22,806.90, Sewer \$14,343.20

December Disbursements: General \$75,647.68, Library \$4,803.67, Road Use \$4,616.29, Employee Benefits \$4,158.37, Water Capital Project \$2,999.53, Water \$31,613.09, Water Deposit Refund \$179.53, Sewer \$20,942.17

Scott Johnson
Mayor

Pamela Hopper
City Clerk

