

1 **Rockford Town Council Regular Meeting**
2 **December 7, 2022, 7pm**
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5 ATTEMPT HAS BEEN MADE TO DOCUMENT PERTINENT POINTS, THESE MINUTES CONTAIN ONLY A
6 SUMMARY OF THE DISCUSSION AND VOTING.
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8 Mayor Roecks called the meeting to order at 7pm with the Pledge of Allegiance.
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10 Roll call took place. Those present were Mayor Carrie Roecks and Councilmembers Tim Fricke, Clint
11 Stevenson and Walt Whitman. Council Clerk/Treasurer Heidi Johnson and Public Works' Dave Thompson
12 were also in attendance. Councilmember Kevin Willms was absent due to surgery and Councilmember Micki
13 Harnois was absent to attend a conference.
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15 **Mr. Stevenson made a motion to excuse Ms. Harnois and Mr. Willms from the meeting. Mr. Fricke**
16 **seconded the motion. Motion was carried.**
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18 **Mr. Stevenson made a motion to approve the amended agenda. Mr. Fricke seconded the motion.**
19 **Motion was carried.**
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21 **Mr. Stevenson made a motion to approve the minutes from the 11/16/2022 regular meeting. Mr.**
22 **Whitman seconded the motion. Motion was carried.**
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24 ANNOUNCEMENTS

- 25 - The Planning Commission is still accepting applications. Their next meeting will be 01/03/2023
26 - Town Hall will be closed 12/23 and 12/26/2022 for the holiday.
27 - A public hearing to take input on the 2022 amended budget will take place before the 12/21 regular
28 meeting.
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30 COUNCIL REPORTS - None

31 COMMISSION/COMMITTEE REPORTS

32 Planning Commission President Gregg Tenner reported that the commission would like to recommend
33 Brandon Marchand to fill a vacant position.

34 Mr. Tenner asked if Council or staff has any guidance on what they would like the commission to do while
35 things are relatively quiet. It was suggested to go through each chapter of the Planning Regulations and
36 Comprehensive Plan and add any notes that should be discussed or removed from the code.

37 Mr. Tenner mentioned that he has registered for a webinar discussing accessory dwelling units.
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39 PUBLIC COMMENT

- 40 - Resident Gregg Tenner said that Public Works has been doing a fantastic job plowing the roads.
41 - Resident Sue Pray asked if there is anything that can be done to help mitigate the water runoff that
42 floods her yard in the winter and spring. Mr. Thompson said, if the snow gets too high, Public Works will
43 haul it out and place it elsewhere. He added that there will be ample space for snow storage once the
44 residents at the end of Third Street removes their vehicles and sheds from the middle of the road. It was
45 also suggested that some drainage tile be added to the property.
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47 ORDINANCES/RESOLUTIONS - None

48 OLD BUSINESS

- 49 - Ms. Roecks asked if there were any updates on the lawsuit against the town. Mr. Thompson and Mrs.
50 Johnson thought we should hear something in January.
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54 NEW BUSINESS

- 55 - Mr. Whitman suggested ordering the materials that were budgeted for in 2022 instead of rolling it over
- 56 to 2023. The reasoning was because of the demand and delay in materials that are currently
- 57 happening. Council agreed so Mr. Thompson said he would order the tracks for the midi and gravel
- 58 before the end of the year.

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60 STAFF REPORTS

61 Public Works

- 62 - Mr. Thompson said, per an earlier discussion, he has been looking for a used service truck. Mrs.
- 63 Johnson reached out to the State Auditor’s Office and understands that Council will need to place a
- 64 price cap if purchasing by auction. She said that she can likely budget \$20,000 for a used pickup in
- 65 2023.
- 66 - The lagoon samplers were delivered and installed. Payment to the vendor is in the checks to be
- 67 approved tonight.
- 68 - Mr. Thompson told Council that the grant that was applied for through TIB, which was for the sidewalks
- 69 on First Street from A to B Streets, was not accepted.
- 70 - Public Works has been busy working on equipment and plowing snow.

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72 Clerk/Treasurer

- 73 - Mrs. Johnson gave the Treasurer’s Report, stating that the total amount in all funds at the end of
- 74 November was \$879,972.09.
- 75 - **Mr. Stevenson made a motion to approve the November Utility Bill Adjustments. Mr. Fricke**
- 76 **seconded the motion. Motion was carried.**
- 77 - The Past Due list was reviewed.
- 78 - Mrs. Johnson asked again for help in getting quotes for the damages caused by the storm in August.
- 79 - Ms. Roecks told Council the Spokane County Commissioners Broadband Action Team would be
- 80 creating a committee to take the lead in a project to get broadband internet to the rural areas.

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82 PUBLIC COMMENT- None

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84 APPROVE CHECKS

85 **Mr. Stevenson made a motion to approve checks 17789-17811 and 3 EFTs for a total of \$37,566.79.**

86 **Mr. Fricke seconded the motion. Motion was carried.**

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88 **Mr. Stevenson made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Mr. Fricke seconded the motion. Motion was**

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91 The meeting was adjourned at 7:44pm.

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Heidi Johnson, Clerk/Treasurer

Carrie Roecks, Mayor