

1 **Rockford Town Council Public Hearing and Regular Meeting**
2 **January 18, 2023, 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 pro-tem Tim Fricke called the regular meeting to order at 7:00pm with the Pledge of Allegiance.
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10 Roll call took place. Those present were Mayor pro-tem Tim Fricke and Councilmembers Clint Stevenson,
11 Kevin Willms and Walt Whitman. Clerk/Treasurer Heidi Johnson and Public Works' Dave Thompson were
12 also in attendance.
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14 **Mr. Stevenson made a motion to excuse Mayor Roecks and Councilmember Micki Harnois, due to**
15 **sickness. Mr. Whitman seconded the motion. Motion was carried.**
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17 **Mr. Stevenson made a motion to approve the amended agenda. Mr. Whitman seconded the motion.**
18 **Motion was carried.**
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20 **Mr. Stevenson made a motion to approve the minutes from the 01/04/2023 regular meeting. Mr.**
21 **Whitman seconded the motion. Motion was carried.**
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23 ANNOUNCEMENTS - None

24 COUNCIL REPORTS - None

25 COMMISSION/COMMITTEE REPORTS

26 Ball Field Committee

27 The first committee meeting will be held at Town Hall on 01/23 at 7pm. Mrs. Johnson said that she applied
28 for the Extreme Team Makeover Project. Mr. Fricke said he also sent an email to the Extreme Team.
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30 Planning Commission

31 The next meeting is scheduled for 01/31/2023 at 7pm.
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33 Ballfield Committee

34 Ms. Roecks said that she wanted a committee formed to lead the project of updating the ballfield. Mr.
35 Whitman and Mr. Fricke said they would be on the committee with Ms. Roecks. She said that she would ask
36 others, outside of Council to be part of the committee, as well.
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38 PUBLIC COMMENT

39 Undersheriff Mike Kittilstved with the Spokane County Sheriff's Department said that he wanted to come to
40 the meeting to introduce himself to Council. He spoke about crime statistics in Rockford, vs other areas.
41 There were several questions from staff and Council about how to manage speeders and nuisances in town.
42 Officer Kittilstved said that he would contact Mrs. Johnson with some code enforcement information and be
43 sure to ask his deputies to try and spend more time in the area. He discussed the option of crime reporting
44 to Crime Check online, for non-emergencies, if any of the residents were apprehensive in calling directly.
45 Online reporting works the same way as calling directly.
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47 ORDINANCES/RESOLUTIONS - None

48 OLD BUSINESS - None

49 NEW BUSINESS - None

50 STAFF REPORTS

51 Public Works

52 - Mr. Thompson stated that Public Works is doing winter maintenance and trying to fill potholes.
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54 Clerk/Treasurer

- 55 - Mrs. Johnson said that she is applying for another FEMA Assistance to Firefighters Grant for new
- 56 turnout and a washer/extractor and dryer for cleaning the turnout gear. If accepted, the town will have
- 57 to match 5%, which is available in the fire department budget.
- 58 - A re-zone application for was pulled by Whipple Engineering for Dennis Crapo, who has submitted
- 59 preliminary paperwork for a Planned Residential Development.
- 60 - Mrs. Johnson asked if the Council would allow the town to pay for her and possibly Deputy Clerk Jennie
- 61 Hagen, to become notaries. Mr. Whitman said to find out the cost and report back.

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63 PUBLIC COMMENT

- 64 - Resident Ivan Willmschen said he thinks it would be a good idea for Town Hall to have a notary on staff.
- 65 He then asked what check 17873 for PNW Emergency Equipment was for. Mrs. Johnson said the
- 66 payment was for fire hose for the fire department. He asked what check 17879 for Spokane County
- 67 Treasurer's Office was for. Mrs. Johnson said it's for SCRAPS animal control.
- 68 - Officer Kittilstved asked if we received around \$1900 in 2021 to help offset law enforcement cost. Mrs.
- 69 Johnson said she did not think so and would look into it.

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71 APPROVE CHECKS

72 **Mr. Stevenson made a motion to approve 13th month checks 17862-17873 for a total of \$7,616.44. Mr.**

73 **Whitman seconded the motion. Motion was carried.**

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75 **Mr. Stevenson made a motion to approve checks 17857-17861 and 17874-17882, with check 17845**

76 **being voided, for a total of \$66,133.17. Mr. Whitman seconded the motion. Motion was carried.**

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78 **Mr. Stevenson made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Mr. Willms seconded the motion. Motion was**

79 **carried.**

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81 The meeting was adjourned at 7:37pm.

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Heidi Johnson, Clerk/Treasurer

Carrie Roecks, Mayor