

1 **Rockford Town Regular Council Meeting**
2 **June 19, 2019 7:00pm**
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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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9 Mayor Roecks called the regular meeting to order at 7:00pm with the Pledge of Allegiance.
10 Roll call took place. Those present were Councilmembers Clint Stevenson, Micki Harnois, Tim Fricke
11 and Brian Laude. Clerk/Treasurer Heidi Johnson and Public Works' Dave Thompson were also in
12 attendance. It was noted that William Benson was absent due to another engagement.
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14 **Mr. Fricke made a motion to excuse William Benson from the meeting. Mr. Stevenson seconded**
15 **the motion. Motion was carried.**
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17 Ms. Roecks opened the Public Hearing at 7:01pm, to take input on the town's Six Year Transportation
18 Improvement Plan.

19 Resident Ivan Willmschen asked if the list of roads on the plan was in order by priority. Ms. Roecks
20 answered no, that there is no order to the list. Mr. Thompson said that the funding agency, TIB, rates all the
21 streets on the current plan. The higher the rating, the more probable that TIB will fund a project.

22 Ms. Harnois suggested adding cost to the STIP resolution in the future.

23 There was discussion on adding "South River Street overlay or chip seal" to the list.

24 Ms. Roecks closed the Public Hearing at 7:10pm and opened the regular meeting.
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26 **Mr. Stevenson made a motion to approve the amended agenda. Mr. Fricke seconded the motion.**
27 **Motion was carried.**
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29 **Mr. Stevenson made a motion to approve the minutes from the 06/05/2019 regular meeting. Mr.**
30 **Laude seconded the motion. Motion was carried.**
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32 ANNOUNCEMENTS

- 33 - An AWC Conference will be held in Spokane from 06/25-06/28/19. There is a scholarship
- 34 available through AWC and possibly one through RMSA for Councilmembers attending.
- 35 - Town Hall will be closed 07/04/2019.
- 36 - The State Auditors Office will be doing a three-year audit for 2016-18, starting 08/14/2019.
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38 COUNCIL REPORTS

39 Ms. Harnois attended a meeting in Pullman and said that Ian Eccles with Avista is working on putting an
40 emphasis on small town assistance. He and Paul Kimmel are attempting on pushing for a project in
41 Rockford, potentially a new reader board.

42 Ms. Harnois stated that she attended a meeting with the Steering Committee of Elected Officials. This group
43 oversees items like the Urban Growth Area and Annexations. She said she plans on asking to be on the
44 committee as the representative for the SE Spokane County area. There has not been a member from our
45 region for five years.

46 Ms. Harnois gave Council a print-out from Spokane County, showing the population growth in the small
47 towns. Rockford's estimated population grew from 480 to 485.
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49 COMMISSION REPORTS

50 Planning and Zoning

51 The updated regulations need to be formatted and sent to the proper agencies for review.
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53 Comprehensive Plan
54 The Comprehensive Plan updates are in review. Council should plan to adopt the plan at the 08/07/2019
55 regular meeting.

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57 COMMITTEE REPORTS
58 None

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60 PUBLIC COMMENT
61 - Lorrie Engle updated Council from the last meeting, stating that the rural cohort, with which she is a
62 member, is getting quotes on graphics and supplies. The final artwork will be presented to Council
63 for approval.

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65 ORDINANCES/RESOLUTIONS
66 Six Year Transportation Improvement Plan
67 **Mr. Fricke made a motion to approve Resolution 19-05 with the addition of “South River Overlay or**
68 **Chip Seal” on line 21. Mr. Laude seconded the motion. Motion was carried.**

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70 OLD BUSINESS
71 Lion’s Club Lease
72 no update

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74 Recycling Services
75 Ms. Roecks met with Deb Geiger, Spokane County Solid Waste Director, who explained more in detail about
76 how recycling is handled. Ms. Roecks asked Council how they feel about having recycling facilities available
77 at Town Hall. Mr. Stevenson suggested having Ms. Geiger come to a Council Meeting and speak with
78 interested residents. Ms. Roecks said she contact Ms. Geiger to get something scheduled.

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80 NEW BUSINESS
81 **Mr. Laude made a motion to appoint Micki Harnois as Mayor Pro-tem. Mr. Stevenson seconded the**
82 **motion. Motion was carried.**

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84 JUB Engineers – Spring Street Sewer Study proposal.
85 As requested by Council, JUB completed a proposal for cost for a sewer line extension near Spring Street.
86 The proposal shows an amount of approximately \$6000.00
87 **Ms. Harnois made a motion to accept the Sewer Extension Study Proposal. Mr. Fricke seconded the**
88 **motion. Motion was carried.**

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90 STAFF REPORTS
91 Public Works
92 • Mr. Thompson said they have been working on a sewer line issue at Emma and Sprague Streets.
93 • Ms. Roecks said that she received a letter from the Department of Ecology that stated the
94 wastewater treatment facility is well-operated and maintained and that Mr. Thompson is doing a
95 great job operating it.
96 • There was discussion about the new radar speed signs, and that it seems as if they are doing their
97 job in getting traffic to slow down. There are reports available that show speeds and times of day of
98 the vehicles incoming and outgoing.

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100 Clerk/Treasurer
101 • Mrs. Johnson stated that the May Treasurer’s Report shows a total balance in all funds as being
102 \$584,811.04.

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104 PUBLIC COMMENT

- 105 - Ivan Willmschen asked if we are on schedule for cleaning the creek this year. Mr. Thompson said
- 106 yes, as long as the water level is low enough in the fall.
- 107 - Mr. Willmschen asked what the invoice for Star Rentals was, which was for a jumping jack.
- 108 - Mr. Willmschen asked what the Arrow Construction invoice was for. Mr. Thompson said for the filter
- 109 fabric in the new playground area.
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111 APPROVE CHECKS

112 **Mr. Stevenson made a motion to approve checks 16098-16113 for a total of \$9,318.92. Mr. Fricke**

113 **seconded the motion. Motion was carried.**

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115 **Mr. Stevenson made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 8:09pm. Mr. Laude seconded the motion.**

116 **Motion was carried.**

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Heidi Johnson, Clerk/Treasurer

Carrie Roecks, Mayor