

1 **Rockford Town Regular Council Meeting**
2 **January 16, 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 William Benson and Brian Laude. Clerk/Treasurer Heidi Johnson and Public Works' Dave Thompson
12 were also in attendance.
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14 **Mr. Benson made a motion to approve the amended agenda. Mr. Stevenson seconded the motion.**
15 **Motion was carried.**
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17 **Mr. Benson made a motion to approve the minutes from the 01/02/2019 regular meeting. Ms.**
18 **Stevenson seconded the motion. Motion was carried.**
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20 ANNOUNCEMENTS

- 21 - Town Hall will be closed on 01/21/2019 in observance of Martin Luther King Jr. Day.
22 - Longtime Rockford resident Leota Harnasch passed away and that a memorial service will be
23 01/19/2019 at 12pm.
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25 COUNCIL REPORTS

26 Ms. Harnois will be traveling to Moses Lake on 01/23/2019 to attend the Department of Commerce's
27 Regional Planner's Forum to discuss Economic Development. She invited the rest of Council to attend with
28 her.

29 Ms. Harnois spoke that there is a program available through the Community Planning Assistance Team.
30 Qualifying for this program could provide Rockford the financial assistance to complete a planning related
31 project.

32 Ms. Roecks said that The Rural Development Initiative is a leadership group that is recruiting young leaders
33 in the Rockford and surrounding areas. This group, along with the volunteers, will complete a community-
34 based project together and learn how to do the selected project from start to finish.

35 Ms. Roecks mentioned that Rockford's Assistant Fire Chief, Stan Seehorn, will be retiring from his position
36 at the end of January. She will let Council know when she has chosen someone to replace him.
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38 COMMISSION REPORTS

39 Ms. Harnois will continue revising and meeting with staff until the Comprehensive Plan updates are ready to
40 be submitted to Council for review.
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42 COMMITTEE REPORTS

43 Parks/Tree City
44 No update
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46 Emergency Management Committee
47 No update
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49 Asset Management Committee
50 No update
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53 PUBLIC COMMENT
54 Resident Ivan Willmschen asked that the mayor consider someone that lives in town to replace Stan
55 Seehorn as Assistant Fire Chief.

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57 ORDINANCES/RESOLUTIONS
58 None

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60 OLD BUSINESS
61 - 236 Pacific Street Nuisance update – No more can be done, according to the town’s attorney.
62 - Lion’s Club Lease – no update

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64 NEW BUSINESS
65 None

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67 PUBLIC COMMENT
68 Resident Vicki Bergstrom that Ed Larson passed away Tuesday evening.
69 Ivan Willmschen asked if the two checks for Mountain Crest and the check for JUB was covered by grant
70 money in full.

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72 STAFF REPORTS
73 Public Works

- 74 • Mr. Thompson said that someone from Avista told Public Works that everything needs to come off of
75 the power poles, included town signage and especially any decorations that using electricity.
- 76 • There are three homeowners on B Street that would like to see water and sewer lines placed toward
77 the back of their property, up Lake Street. Mr. Thompson has meet with the homeowners and
78 contractors and will report back to Council an anticipated plan.
- 79 • Mr. Thompson reported to Council about a sewer issue that happened on a private line on Sprague
80 Street.

81 Clerk/Treasurer

- 82 • The December Treasurer’s Report was submitted. The total amount in all funds was \$572,647.61.
- 83 • Mrs. Johnson stated that the fire station dispatch report was available if Council wanted to review it.

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85 APPROVE CHECKS

86 **Mr. Benson made a motion to approve the revised check register for the 13th month from the**
87 **01/02/2019 meeting. Mr. Stevenson seconded the motion. Motion was carried.**

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89 **Mr. Stevenson made a motion to approve checks 14741 – 14747 and 14756-14764, and 3 EFTs, for a**
90 **total of \$289,123.87. Ms. Harnois seconded the motion. Motion was carried.**

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92 **Mr. Stevenson made a motion to approve checks 14748-14755 with no EFTs for a total of \$22,490.09.**
93 **Mr. Benson seconded the motion. Motion was carried.**

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95 **Mr. Benson made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 7:52pm. Mr. Stevenson seconded the motion.**
96 **Motion was carried.**

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Heidi Johnson, Clerk/Treasurer

Carrie Roecks, Mayor