

**Rockford Town Regular Council Meeting
August 2, 2017 7:00pm**

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Mayor Carrie Roecks called the meeting to order at 7:02pm with the Pledge of Allegiance.

Roll call took place. Those present were Mayor Carrie Roecks, Councilmembers Clint Stevenson, Micki Harnois and Tim Fricke. Deputy Clerk Heidi Johnson, Public Works' Dave Thompson and several residents were also in attendance.

Ms. Harnois made a motion to excuse Councilmembers Bill Benson and Brian Laude. Mr. Stevenson seconded the motion. Motion was carried.

Mr. Fricke made a motion to approve the amended agenda. Mr. Stevenson seconded the motion. Motion was carried.

Mr. Stevenson made a motion to approve the minutes from the July 19, 2017 regular meeting minutes. Mr. Fricke seconded the motion. Motion was carried.

PUBLIC COMMENT

-Resident Ivan Willmschen asked what the payment of \$11,000+ from FEMA was for. Mr. Thompson said it was disaster relief funds that the town applied for due to the flooding in February.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

-Vacation Bible School will start on 08/07/2017 and go through 08/11/2017.

-The Lion's Club's "Hot Rockford Nights" car show will be in the park on 08/12/2017.

-Ms. Harnois told council that the Lion's Bell has been placed in the community garden area of the park and it looks nice.

COMMISSION REPORTS

Planning and Zoning

Ms. Harnois updated council that she had received a call from a property owner on Emma Street who is considering developing his vacant property. She also reported that she talked to a different property owner on Cliff Court who would like to add a manufactured home to his property.

Comprehensive Plan – Chapter 10, Parks, Recreational and Open Space, and Urban Forestry Plan

Ms. Harnois reviewed chapter 10 of the comprehensive plan and showed council the planned updates, goals and policies to the chapter.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Parks – Mr. Stevenson mentioned that there were several dead trees that need to be removed from the city park. Ms. Roecks asked how many need to be removed and Mr. Stevenson said about six for now. He and Mr. Thompson agreed that the large Willow trees in the park are also dead in the middle and need pruned or taken out completely soon. Ms. Roecks asked that Mr. Stevenson and Public Works' Patrick Marcalus make a plan and a timeline for getting the trees removed.

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52 *Finance* – Ms. Roecks said that the finance committee met, and will continue to meet and make
53 changes to the budget, until an amended budget is ready for council approval. Resident Lorrie Engle
54 was invited to join the committee during the next meetings to give suggestions on the 2017 budget.
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56 ORDINANCES/RESOLUTIONS

57 None
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59 STAFF REPORTS

60 Public Works

- 61 • Rock Creek Dredging Project - Mr. Thompson told council that he and Ms. Harnois completed
62 the SEPA checklist that is required as a step for the JARPA application.
- 63 • FEMA Funds - Mr. Thompson reported that the town should be receiving the approved FEMA
64 funds 10 days from July 28.
- 65 • Park Maintenance – Mr. Thompson mentioned that people who intend to drive in the park need
66 to let Town Hall know first. He reported that there were valve boxes and sprinkler heads that
67 have been crushed from a vehicle. He also mentioned that there was a puncture in one of the
68 sprinkler lines, and assumed it came from a stake that had been nailed into the ground. He said
69 that the amount of traffic and speeding on Willow Street was becoming an issue and he would
70 like to get 10MPH signs up on the road.
- 71 • Mr. Thompson reported that the town had received the restitution check from the person who
72 graffitied the park bathrooms. The check was for the full amount requested.
- 73 • Mr. Marcalus announced that the surveillance cameras purchased are now installed.
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75 Clerk/Deputy Clerk

- 76 • July Utility Adjustment Report
77 **Mr. Stevenson made a motion to approve the July Utility Adjustment Report. Mr. Fricke**
78 **seconded the motion. Motion was carried.**
- 79 • The Past Due report was submitted and discussed.
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81 OLD BUSINESS

82 No updates
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84 NEW BUSINESS

- 85 - Mr. Stevenson suggested that Ms. Harnois start receiving consulting wages due to the amount
86 of time and work that is put in with the Comprehensive Plan and the zoning regulations. Ms.
87 Roecks asked that it be added to the next agenda.
- 88 - Mr. Stevenson said it was also time to revisit the idea of Councilmembers receiving a wage
89 each month. It was asked that this topic also be added to the next agenda.
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91 PUBLIC COMMENT

92 -Resident Lorrie Engle suggested there be a disclaimer on the park permit stating that, if a permit
93 holder needed to drive in the park, they check with Town Hall first to find out where the valve boxes and
94 sprinkler heads are.
95 -Resident Ivan Willmschen asked that the town spend a little bit of money pay the attorney to address
96 the nuisance ordinance. He said that there are several residences that need to clean up their yards and
97 garbage piles. Council discussed the option of hiring a code enforcement officer or having the town's
98 attorney send letters.
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101 COUNCIL REPORTS
102 Ms. Harnois said she and Representative Dye would like to consider a town hall type meeting in
103 October or November. Rep. Schmick and Senator Mark Shoesler would also be invited to attend.
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105 APPROVE CHECKS
106 **Mr. Stevenson made a motion to approve checks 14000-14021 and three EFTs, for a total of**
107 **\$124665.09. Mr. Harnois seconded the motion. Motion was carried.**
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110 Meeting was adjourned 8:31pm.
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Heidi Johnson, Deputy Clerk

Carrie Roecks, Mayor