

1 **Rockford Town Regular Council Meeting**  
2 **January 4, 2017 7:00pm**  
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6 ATTEMPT HAS BEEN MADE TO DOCUMENT PERTINENT POINTS, THESE MINUTES CONTAIN ONLY A  
7 SUMMARY OF THE DISCUSSION AND VOTING.  
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10 Mayor Pro-Tem Micki Harnois called the meeting to order at 7:00pm.

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12 Roll call took place. Those present were Mayor Pro-Tem Micki Harnois, Councilmembers Clint  
13 Stevenson, Bill Benson, Tim Fricke, Public Works Director Dave Thompson and Deputy Clerk Heidi  
14 Johnson. Several residents were also in attendance.

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16 The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

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18 **Mr. Benson made a motion to approve the amended agenda. Mr. Stevenson seconded the**  
19 **motion.**

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21 **Mr. Benson made a motion to approve the minutes from the December 21, 2016 public**  
22 **hearing/regular meeting. Mr. Fricke seconded the motion. Motion was carried.**

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24 TREVER SKELTON – JUB Engineers, Inc.

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26 South First Street Sidewalk Project

27 Mr. Skelton submitted a final pay request from Wm Winkler for the sidewalk project.

28 **Mr. Stevenson made a motion to accept pay request #2 from Wm Winkler for a total of**  
29 **\$24,563.17. Mr. Fricke seconded the motion. Motion was carried.**  
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31 Mr. Skelton presented council with the Notice of Completion for the sidewalk project.

32 **Mr. Fricke made a motion to accept the Notice of Completion. Mr. Stevenson seconded the**  
33 **motion. Motion was carried.**

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35 PUBLIC COMMENT

36 None

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38 ANNOUNCEMENTS

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41 COMMISSION REPORTS

42 Ms. Harnois gave each councilmember a copy of the current zoning map for the Town of Rockford. She  
43 asked that council start thinking about any changes to the zoning that they would like to see and bring  
44 their ideas back to the table at the next regular meeting.

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46 COMMITTEE REPORTS

47 Ms. Harnois mentioned that the Tree City USA application was sent in and, if accepted, will be the 5<sup>th</sup>  
48 year in a row that Rockford would be part of the Tree City USA program.  
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51 ORDINANCES/RESOLUTIONS

52 It was reported that Clerk/Treasurer, Kristy Cochrane, found out that because there were no  
53 amendments to the 2016 Budget, no ordinance was needed.

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55 STAFF REPORTS  
56 Public Works

- 57 • Mr. Thompson said that the public works staff has been very busy with snow removal. He  
58 reminded everyone that if your garbage is missed due to the snow, to please contact Town Hall  
59 as soon as possible and Empire Disposal will come back out or not charge overages on the next  
60 pickup day.
- 61 • Mr. Thompson reported that the booster pump near Frisbie Way went down due to power failure  
62 and freezing temperature. He is working on getting a part needed. He also mentioned it was  
63 time to discuss getting a new housing unit. He also mentioned that there was a pipe break in  
64 one of the buildings at the lagoons and that Winkler has already been there to fix the problem.

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66 Clerk/Deputy Clerk

- 67 • December Utility Adjustment Report  
68 **Mr. Stevenson made a motion to approve the December Utility Adjustment Report. Mr.**  
69 **Benson seconded the motion. Motion was carried.**
- 70 • The Past Due report was submitted.
- 71 • The fire station utilities invoice is ready to be sent, as well as the 2017 contract. Council asked  
72 to see and approve the new contract before it was sent.

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74 OLD BUSINESS

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77 NEW BUSINESS

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80 PUBLIC COMMENT

81 -Lorrie Engle mentioned her concern for the gate to the lagoons 1 & 2 staying open. Mr. Thompson said  
82 that it's a hazard to close them due to the ice and snow.

83 -Ivan Willmschen asked how much money the collection agency gets the town on delinquent accounts.  
84 Mrs. Johnson said not much, but there is not much more that can be done.

85 -Vicki Bergstrom asked what variance was given to the Fair Association for the food booths. Ms.  
86 Harnois said it was for the flood plain.

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88 COUNCIL REPORTS

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91 8:00pm EXECUTIVE SESSION began to discuss potential council members.

92 8:10pm EXECUTIVE SESSION ended

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94 Mr. Stevenson nominated Walt Whitman to be the new council member.

95 Ms. Harnois nominated Brian Laude to be the new council member.

96 Mr. Fricke nominated Walt Whitman to be the new council member.

97 Mr. Benson nominated Brian Laude to be the new council member.

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99 Council voted and there was a tie. Because the Mayor was absent at this meeting, there could be no  
100 decision from her as to who would fill the vacant seat. Mrs. Johnson said she would call both

101 candidates and ask them to attend the next regular meeting where council will perform an informal  
102 interview with both.

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105 APPROVE CHECKS

106 **Mr. Stevenson made a motion to approve checks 13708 – 13727 and one EFT for a total of**  
107 **\$19,688.45. Mr. Benson seconded the motion. Motion was carried.**

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109 **Mr. Stevenson made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Mr. Benson seconded the motion. Motion**  
110 **was carried.**

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112 Meeting was adjourned 8:23pm.

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Heidi Johnson, Deputy Clerk

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Micki Harnois, Mayor Pro-Tem