

**REGULAR MEETING OF THE MAYOR AND ALDERMEN OF
THE CITY OF ROCK FALLS
October 18, 2005**

The regular meeting of the Mayor and Aldermen of the City of Rock Falls was called to order at the hour of 6:30 p.m., October 18, 2005 in Rock Falls, Illinois by Mayor David H. Blanton.

Deputy City Clerk, Michelle Conklin, called the roll, present were Mayor Blanton, Alderman Vandernick, Searing, Snow, Kuhlemier, Arduini, Hand, Folsom and Thurm.

A motion was made by Alderman Kuhlemier and second by Alderman Vandernick to approve the Fiscal Year 2005 Financial Audit (Fiscal Year beginning May 1, 2004 and ending April 30, 2005). Upon roll call Alderman Vandernick, Searing, Snow, Kuhlemier, Arduini, Hand, Folsom and Thurm voted aye. Vote: 8 aye. Motion carried.

Christian Tscheschlok updated the City Council on going projects throughout the City of Rock Falls.

A motion was made by Alderman Hand and second by Alderman Thurm to approve consent agenda items 1 - 7:

1. Approval of October 4, 2005 Council Meeting Minutes
2. Approval of bills as printed
3. Approval to extend the terms of agreement with Timothy Sharpe to provide actuarial services for the City of Rock Falls Police and Fire Pension Funds for three additional years (2005 - 2007)
4. Approve Ordinance No. 2005-2147 allowing the Mayor and City Clerk to sell office furniture no longer utilized by the City of Rock Falls
5. Approval to sell 2 - 7' double bookcases to Pamela Erby for a total of \$100.00
6. Approval of Ordinance No. 2005-2148 Amending Section 15-297. Delayed Payment
7. Approval of Ordinance No. 2005-2149 Amending Section 5-126. Designated.

Upon roll call Alderman Vandernick, Searing, Snow, Kuhlemier, Arduini, Hand, Folsom and Thurm voted aye. Vote: 8 aye. Motion carried.

A motion was made by Alderman Searing and second by Alderman Snow to enter into executive session for the purposes of discussing pending litigation – 2(c)(11). Upon roll call Alderman Vandernick, Searing, Snow, Kuhlemier, Arduini, Hand, Folsom and Thurm voted aye. Vote: 8 aye. Motion carried. (6:50 p.m.)

A motion was made by Alderman Snow and second by Alderman Searing to return to regular session. Upon roll call Alderman Vandernick, Searing, Snow, Kuhlemier, Arduini, Hand, Folsom and Thurm voted aye. Vote: 8 aye. Motion carried. (7:12 p.m.)

Commander Kuelper, Rock Falls Police Department announced that Trick or Treat hours will be on October 31, 2005 from 4:30 p.m. to 7:00 p.m. He asked that people refrain from burning leaves through out the city during the afternoon and evening hours.

Jim White, Street Department Superintendent, informed the City Council that the Street Department will begin removing the boat docks from the river.

Ted Padilla, Water Department Superintendent, informed the City Council that the Ground Water Recharge Area Management Committee will be meeting on October 26, 2005 at 6:00 p.m. at the Rock Falls Water Department.

A motion was made by Alderman Hand and second by Alderman Searing to approve the Agreement for Waiver of Restrictive Covenant – Lot 1 Scanlan Subdivision. Upon roll call Alderman Vandernick, Searing, Snow, Kuhlemier, Arduini, Hand, Folsom and Thurm voted aye. Vote: 8 aye. Motion carried.

Doug Wiersema, Rock Falls Chamber of Commerce, informed the City Council of upcoming events.

Alderman Hand announced that the Electric Committee meeting will be held on November 9, 2005 at 6:30 p.m. in the Council Chambers.

Alderman Kuhlemier announced that the Finance Committee meeting will be held on November 8, 2005 at 6:30 p.m. in the Council Chambers.

Alderman Folsom announced that the Public Property Committee meeting will be held on October 25, 2005 at 6:30 p.m. in the Council Chambers.

Alderman Searing announced that the Personnel Committee will be held on October 27, 2005 at 6:30 p.m. in the Council Chambers.

Mayor Blanton stated that there were problems with a few of the City's committees, there are scheduled meetings but there is rarely a quorum to do business. He stated that this problem needs to be resolved and he will be speaking with the City Attorney on how to handle this matter.

A motion was made by Alderman Hand and second by Alderman Searing to enter into executive session for the purposes of discussing collective bargaining matters - Section 2 (c)(2). Upon roll call Alderman Vandersnick, Searing, Snow, Kuhlemier, Arduini, Hand, Folsom and Thurm voted aye. Vote: 8 aye. Motion carried. (7:30 p.m.)

A motion was made by Alderman Kuhlemier and second by Alderman Searing to return to regular session. Upon roll call Alderman Vandersnick, Searing, Snow, Kuhlemier, Arduini, Hand, Folsom and Thurm voted aye. Vote: 8 aye. Motion carried. (8:17 p.m.)

A motion was made by Alderman Hand and second by Alderman Snow to deny the grievance based upon the committees recommendation. We feel that the committee followed the correct steps and followed Section 12.03 of the IBEW contract and picked the best person for the position. Upon roll call Alderman Vandersnick, Searing, Snow, Kuhlemier, Arduini, Hand, Folsom and Thurm voted aye. Vote: 8 aye. Motion carried.

A motion was made by Alderman Folsom and second by Alderman Snow to adjourn. Upon roll call Alderman Vandersnick, Searing, Snow, Kuhlemier, Arduini, Hand, Folsom and Thurm voted aye. Vote: 8 aye. Motion carried. (8:21 p.m.)