

**REGULAR MEETING OF THE MAYOR AND ALDERMAN OF  
THE CITY OF ROCK FALLS**

**January 3, 2006**

The regular meeting of the Mayor and Alderman of the City of Rock Falls was called to order at the hour of 6:30 p.m., January 3, 2006 in Rock Falls, Illinois by mayor David H. Blanton.

City Clerk, William B. Wescott called the roll, present were Mayor Blanton, Alderman Vandersnick, Searing, Snow, Kuhlemier, Arduini, Hand, Folsom and Thurm. (Quorum present)

**Consent Agenda:**

1. Approval of December 20, 2005 Council Meeting Minutes.
2. Approval of Bills as presented.
3. Approval of Schedule of Meetings of the Mayor and Alderman of the City of Rock Falls and Committees in compliance with the Open Meetings Act.

**Motion: Kuhlemier**

**Second: Searing**

**Vote: 8 ayes, Motion carried.**

**Community Affairs:**

Mr. Wiersema of the Rock Falls Chamber of Commerce was present and spoke to the Council about the upcoming 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Dinner to be held on February 6, 2006 at 6:30 p.m... The event will be held at the Deer Valley Country Club, with the Dan Kolb scheduled as the guest Speaker. Mr. Kolb is a native of the area currently a pitcher in the Major Leagues.

Additionally, he informed the Council that (2) new committees; Retail/Commercial (Dave Hand, Chairman) and Legislative Affairs (Jim King, Chairman) will be in place for the coming year.

**Administrative Report:**

Mr. Downey informed the Council that he had passed out a copy of the service agreement which had been received from Aramark Uniform Services for the Alderman to review. He plans on reviewing the document and checking on some prices. He therefore asks the item be tabled until the next Council meeting, January 17, 2006.

**Motion: Hand**

**Second: Searing**

**Vote: 8 ayes, Motion carried.**

**Information and Updates:**

City Attorney Reese advised the Mayor and Alderman that he had received a copy of the contract from NI Solutions for review. Following his review he will get the document to the Mayor and Clerk for signatures and processing.

**Council Committee Reports/Member Requests:**

Electric Committee Meeting	January 11, 2006	6:30 p.m.
Finance/Insurance Committee Meeting	January 18, 2006	6:30 p.m.
Ordinance/ License Committee Meeting	January 26, 2006	6:00 p.m.
Public Property Committee Meeting	January 12, 2006	6:00 p.m.
Public Works Committee Meeting	January 11, 2006	7:30 p.m.

**Alderman Reports:**

Alderman Kuhlemier commented on the streets breaking up under the current weather and reported that he had seen City crews out working on this problem. He complimented all employees on the work that they having been doing around the City.

**Alderman Hand addressed the Council on the passing of Mr. Ed Wagner. Ed has been a diligent public servant, involved in numerous community activities, committees and a member of the Board of the Rock Falls Community Development Corporation. He spent countless hours working in regards to the betterment of the City of Rock Falls and its citizens, with special emphasis on the children. The Council observed several minutes of silence in respect of Mr. Wagner.**

**Mayor's Report:**

Correspondence form the Green Hills Council of the Girl Scouts was read, announcing that during the month of January 2006, Scouts will be going door to door in our community with there annual cookie sale. The Girls will return in March to make deliveries. Proceeds form the annual sale go towards supporting over 3000 Girls in there development into the women of tomorrow.

**The Mayor requested approval of the following appointments to committees, all will serve (3) year terms:**

Illinois Housing Development Board of Review: Ms. Sally Scanlon, Dave Leonard and City Administrator, Richard Downey.

**Motion: Hand            Second: Folsom            Vote: 8 ayes, Motion carried.**

Groundwater Appeals Committee: J.W. Larson (Fire Chief), Ed Cox (Wastewater Supt.), Ted Padilla (Water Supt.), Pete Whiting (Building Department), Christian Tscheschlok (RFCDC), Alderman Eric Arduini and Alderman Brian Snow.

**Motion: Folsom            Second: Hand            Vote: 6 ayes, Motion carried (Arduini and Snow, Abstained)**

Brownfield Redevelopment Committee: Mr. Louis Pignattelli, Ms. Sandy Henrekin, Mr. David Weber.

**Motion: Folsom            Second: Kuhlemier            Vote: 8 ayes, Motion carried**

Mayor Blanton called for a motion to enter into Executive Session for the following:

1. Collective Bargaining Matters – Section 2 (c) (2)
2. Litigation – Pending, probable or imminent litigation – Section (c ) (11)

**Motion: Hand Second: Searing Vote: 8 ayes, Motion carried (6:55 p.m.)**

Motion to Return to Open Session: (7:21 p.m.)

**Motion: Hand Second: Thurm Vote: 8 ayes, Motion carried.**

Motion for adjournment:

**Motion: Folsom Second: Vandersnick Vote: 8 ayes, Motion carried**

Minutes for adoption/approval January 17, 2006

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William B. Wescott, City Clerk