

**REGULAR MEETING OF THE MAYOR AND ALDERMEN OF  
THE CITY OF ROCK FALLS  
May 2, 2006**

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., May 2, 2006 in Rock Falls, Illinois by Mayor David H. Blanton.

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

Mike Spain from the United States Postal Service addressed the City Council and thanked them for the Proclamation proclaiming May 13, 2006 as Letter Carrier Food Drive Day in the City of Rock Falls.

Deputy Clerk Michelle Conklin read a Proclamation proclaiming June 10<sup>th</sup> and June 11<sup>th</sup>, 2006 as American Cancer Society Relay for Life Day in the City of Rock Falls.

Richard Downey introduced Jason Henley, the new employee at the Wastewater Treatment Plant and J.W. Larson introduced Alice Interone, the new Firefighter. The City Council welcomed both.

Pam Erby, Rock Falls Convention and Visitor's Bureau, presented the City Council with the Fiscal Year 2007 budget. Pam stated that this is the first year for a budget that includes the operation of an office.

A motion was made by Alderman Arduini and second by Alderman Vandersnick to approve the Rock Falls Convention and Visitor's Bureau Fiscal Year 2007 Budget. Upon roll call Alderman Vandersnick, Snow, Kuhlemier, Arduini, Hand, Folsom and Thurm voted aye. Vote: 7 aye. Motion carried.

A motion was made by Alderman Folsom and second by Alderman Thurm to approve Consent Agenda items 1 - 7:

1. Approval of April 18, 2006 Council Meeting Minutes (with correction on page 3 - should be the Greater Sterling Development Corporation, not the Sterling Chamber of Commerce)
2. Approval of Bills as Printed (Attachment A)
3. Proclamation - Proclaiming June 10 - 11, 2006 as American Cancer Society Relay for Life Day in Rock Falls

4. Proclamation - Proclaiming May 13, 2006 as Letter Carrier Food Drive Day
5. Ordinance adding Territory to the Whiteside County Enterprise Zone
6. Refer petition from Crown Enterprises, Inc. for zoning classification changes (M-1) to the Plan Commission/Zoning Board of Appeals
7. Refer to the Industrial Development Commission the request for sale of land

Upon roll call Alderman Vandernick, Snow, Kuhlemier, Arduini, Hand, Folsom and Thurm voted aye. Vote: 7 aye. Motion carried.

Paul Jakubczak, Electric Department Superintendent, addressed the City Council and informed them that the City of Rock Falls Electric Utility is one of 64 of the nation's more than 2,000 public power utilities to earn the Reliable Public Power Provider recognition from the American Public Power Association.

A motion was made by Alderman Kuhlemier and second by Alderman Folsom to approve the Inter-Local Agreement for Municipal Building Inspection Services between the City of Rock Falls and the City of Sterling with the corrections and changes from City Attorney James Reese. Upon roll call Alderman Vandernick, Snow, Kuhlemier, Arduini, Hand, Folsom and Thurm voted aye. Vote: 7 aye. Motion carried.

City Administrator Richard Downey presented a proposed contract with AT&T for the City of Rock Falls' local and long distance phone service. The Council referred the contract to the Public Property Committee. Mr. Downey also supplied the Council members with a copy of the Fiscal Year 2007 budgets, the Council will review them and vote at the Council Meeting.

Alderman Hand announced that the Electric Committee will be meeting on May 10, 2006 at 6:30 p.m.

Alderman Kuhlemier announced that the Finance/Insurance Committee will be meeting on May 17, 2006 at 6:30 p.m.

Alderman Folsom announced that the Ordinance Committee will be meeting on May 25, 2006 at 6:00 p.m. and the Public Property Committee will be meeting on May 11, 2006 at 6:00 p.m.

Alderman Thurm announced that the Personnel/Safety Committee will be meeting on May 25, 2006 at 7:15 p.m.

Alderman Arduini announced that the Public Works Committee will be meeting on May 4, 2006 at 6:30 p.m.

A motion was made by Alderman Hand and second by Alderman Vandersnick to approve the Mayor's Fiscal Year 2007 Committee appointments as printed with the addition of Rick Turnroth, Charles Koehler and Debi Burke to the Planning Commission/Zoning Board of Appeals. Upon roll call Alderman Vandersnick, Snow, Kuhlemier, Arduini, Hand, Folsom and Thurm voted aye. Vote: 7 aye. Motion carried.

A motion was made by Alderman Folsom and second by Alderman Snow to approve the Mayor's appointment of Daehle Reitzel to Ward 1 Alderman. Upon roll call Alderman Vandersnick, Snow, Kuhlemier, Arduini, Hand, Folsom and Thurm voted aye. Vote: 7 aye. Motion carried.

Deputy Clerk Michelle Conklin administered the Official Oath of Office to Mr. Daehle Reitzel, Alderman Reitzel was seated.

A motion was made by Alderman Hand and second by Alderman Vandersnick to enter into Executive Session for the purposes of discussing Collective Bargaining Matters - Section 2(c)(2). Upon roll call Alderman Vandersnick, Reitzel, Snow, Kuhlemier, Arduini, Hand, Folsom and Thurm voted aye. Vote: 8 aye. Motion carried. (7:15 p.m.)

A motion was made by Alderman Kuhlemier and second by Alderman Snow to return to regular session. Upon roll call Alderman Vandersnick, Reitzel, Snow, Kuhlemier, Arduini, Hand, Folsom and Thurm voted aye. Vote: 8 aye. Motion carried. (7:22 p.m.)

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

