

A regular meeting of the Rockford City Council was held Monday, April 10, 2017, at 7:00 p.m., in the Council Chambers of City Hall, 7 South Monroe Street, Rockford MI 49341.

- I. **Meeting called to order.** The meeting of the Rockford City Council was called to order by Mayor Steve Jazwiec at approximately 7:00 p.m.
- II. **Roll Call.** Present: Mayor Steve Jazwiec, Mayor Pro-tem Cheryl Scales, and Council Members Jerry Coon, Melissa Young, and Terry Konkle.
- III. **City Manager's Report.** Interim City Manager Dave Jones provided the following City Manager's Report:

The Wednesday night work session will be the road component of the budget and will begin at 5 p.m.

Interim City Manager Jones reminded Council of the April 19<sup>th</sup> meeting with the MML.

IT Right is working on the homepage and we should have a report soon.

- IV. **Approval of the Agenda.** On a motion by Council Member Coon, with support by Mayor Pro-tem Scales and carried by all, Council approved the Agenda as submitted.

V. **Public Comments and Presentations**

- A. **To receive a presentation from Michael Riggs of Firehouse Subs donating an AED to the City.** Michael Riggs of Firehouse Subs was present and donated an AED to the City of Rockford, which will be used in the last police vehicle that did not have an AED.
- B. **Consideration of recognizing the retirement of Fire Chief Mike Reus.** Fire Chief Mike Reus was presented with a plaque recognizing his years of service to the City.

Al Pratt of 210 E Main stated that the Museum has scheduled two more genealogy sessions, which has been very well received. They are also participating in a program through Tri River Museum called, Spring into the Past and will be opened extended hours from 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. the weekend of May 5<sup>th</sup>. They will also begin hosting the second graders as they tour the City. Mr. Pratt also stated that he received an invitation to participate in the City Manager search and he will do his best to assist in the finding of a new City Manager.

Linda Southwick, Executive Director of the Rockford Chamber of Commerce stated that they will be having their Business Builders breakfast April 19<sup>th</sup> and their Thursday Networking at Grill 111 on April 20<sup>th</sup>.

- VI. **Mayoral Appointments and Proclamations.** There were no Mayoral Appointments or Proclamations.

**VII. Consent Agenda.** On a motion by Council Member Coon, with support by Council Member Konkle, and carried by all, Council approved the following items for discussion: the March 13, 2017 Regular meeting minutes, the bills and transfers for March 2017, the Special Events Permit Application for Reading Rocks in Rockford, Praise in the Park and the Rogue River Blues, and Resolution 17-6 removing a street light. On a motion by Council Member Coon, with support by Council Member Konkle, and carried by all, Council approved the Consent Agenda items.

**VIII. Public Hearing.** There was no Public Hearing.

**IX. Old Business.** There was no Old Business.

**X. New Business**

**A. Consideration of setting a Public Hearing for the 2017-18 General Appropriations Act and Millage Rate for May 8, 2017.** On a motion by Mayor Pro-tem Scales, with support by Council Member Young, and carried by all, Council set a May 8, 2017 Public Hearing date at 7 p.m., for the General Appropriations Act and Millage Rate.

**B. Consideration of awarding a contract for the replacement of Ten Mile sidewalks.** On a motion by Council Member Coon, with support by Council Member Konkle, and carried by all, Council award the Ten Mile sidewalk project to DeYoung Concrete in the amount of \$44,000.

**XI. Board and Commission Activities**

City Clerk Christine Bedford provided the following Board and Commission Update:

**A. Planning Commission.** The Planning Commission will meet this month to review two Special Land Use requests.

**B. Downtown Development Authority.** The DDA did not meet this month but their projects are set for the next fiscal year.

**C. Board of Zoning Appeals.** The Board of Zoning Appeals approved a front yard setback request for the Gymnastics business located in the Industrial Park.

**D. Economic Development Corporation.** The EDC did not meet.

**E. Rockford Area Community Endowment.** RACE will meet this Wednesday to continue their dinner event discussions.

**XII. Miscellaneous Items.** There were no Miscellaneous Items.

**XIII. Council Member Comments**

All Council Members thanked Fire Chief Mike Reus for his long service to the City.

Council Member Konkle stated that Rockford is a very positive community with all of the events that the City of Rockford offers.

Council Member Coon thanked Rich Mol for his participation in the Praise in the Parks event.

Mayor Jazwiec stated that he is amazed at how busy the downtown was last Sunday with the warm weather.

**XIV. Adjournment.** On a motion on by Council Member Coon, with support by Council Member Young, and carried by all, the meeting adjourned at 7:30 p.m.

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Christine Bedford, City Clerk