

City of Rockford, Minnesota Council Meeting Minutes 6:00 p.m., Tuesday, April 28th, 2020

The meeting was called to Order by Mayor Renee Hafften at 6:00 p.m. Council members Scott Seymour, Rick Martinson, Debbie Buoy and Ted Hill were present.

City Administrator / City Attorney, Dan Madsen; City Engineer, Steve Hegland of Wenck and Associates, and Trevor Brummer; Public Works Director, were also in attendance.

Set Agenda and Approve Consent Agenda items:

A **MOTION** was made by Martinson, and seconded by Buoy, to approve the Consent Agenda Items 3A through 3 C as listed and set the Agenda for the Council Meeting:

3A. Approve Minutes from the April 14, 2020 Regular Council Meeting

3B. Approve Payment of Claims, Check Number: 31182 through check number: 31209 totaling \$141,132.82

3C. Approve Temporary Liquor License for Rockford River Days Festival

Motion Carried: Voting in favor; Hafften, Buoy, Hill, and Seymour and Martinson.

New Business: Postpone 2020 Clean-up Day

Administrator / Attorney Madsen explained that Clean-up Day had been scheduled for May 2, 2020; but that Governor Walz's Executive "Stay at Home" Order ran through May 4th, 2020. As such, the City would be required to postpone the clean-up day until a later time. Staff discussed the potential of holding clean-up day in the Fall, but that would be dependent upon the Covid-19 virus and what impact it may have on those plans. No formal action was taken, as this matter was set on for discussion purposes only.

New Business: EDA Pandemic Loan Program

Administrator / Attorney Madsen explained that the EDA had been reviewing options for an EDA Pandemic Loan Program to help small businesses in Rockford. Staff had spoken with the Chamber of Commerce and City of Greenfield in an effort to gauge their support and whether or not there were other programs existing in the area that were compatible. At the direction of the EDA, staff were asked to write up a contextual example of a possible program and return to the next EDA meeting for discussion and review. No formal action was taken, as this matter was set on for informational purposes only.

Staff Reports

Members of the Staff and Council provided updates including the Covid-19 Virus, Staffing Levels, and Memorial Day and River Days Events.

Open Forum

Mayor Hafften called for open forum, no one from the public spoke.

Adjournment

Motion was then made by Hill, and seconded by Seymour, to adjourn the meeting.

Motion Carried: Voting in favor; Hafften, Buoy, Hill, Martinson, and Seymour, and the meeting was adjourned at approximately 6:45 p.m.

Typed this 4th day of May, 2020.

Dan Madsen
City Administrator, Special Counsel
City of Rockford Minnesota

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Approved:

Renee Hafften
Mayor

Attest:

Dan Madsen
City Administrator, Special Counsel