

City of Rockford, Minnesota Council Workshop Minutes
5:00 p.m., Tuesday, February 23rd, 2016

Mayor Renee Hafften and Council members Debbie Buoy, Ted Hill, Jeannette Graner and Rick Martinson met with City Administrator / Special Counsel, Dan Madsen; City Engineer Jared Ward, Wenck and Associates; Public Works Director, Trevor Brummer; and Fire Chief, Ben Sanderson regarding the scheduling and staffing of the Rockford Fire Department. No action was taken on any items, as the discussion was only for informational purposes.

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

City Administrator / Special Counsel, Dan Madsen; Finance Clerk, Jennifer Swendsen; City Engineer Jared Ward, Wenck and Associates; Public Works Director, Trevor Brummer were also in attendance.

Approve Consent Agenda/Set Agenda

MOTION was made by Graner, and seconded by Buoy, to set the Council Meeting Agenda and approve all items on the Consent Agenda, 3.A. to 3.C as listed:

- 3 A: Minutes from February 9th, 2016 Council Workshop and Regular Council Meeting
- 3 B: Payment of Claims from Check #25701 through #25752 totaling \$57,900.79
- 3 C: Resolution #16-11 / Conditional Use Permit for 8906 Autumn Oaks Drive

MOTION CARRIED-VOTING IN FAVOR: Hafften, Buoy, Graner, Hill and Martinson.

New Business: Resolution #16-12 / Ordinance #16-01 Personnel 206

Administrator/Counsel Madsen explained the difficulties staff face in replacing part-time seasonal employees. Madsen also explained that the City's Ordinance regarding anti-nepotism restricts the city's hiring pool and could potentially discriminate against persons based upon familial or marital status. After discussion of the impacts of the current Ordinance regarding hiring practices and ethical considerations of the language of the anti-nepotism Ordinance, **MOTION** was made by Hill to approve the Resolution

and Ordinance Amendments as presented to Council. This motion was seconded by Buoy.

MOTION CARRIED-VOTING IN FAVOR: Hafften, Buoy, Graner, Hill and Martinson.

New Business: Approve Advertising Seasonal Parks and Street Department Positions

Administrator / Counsel Madsen discussed the impact of the Ordinance amendment previously approved, and explained that the City would like to post for two budgeted positions for summer seasonal help in the Parks and Streets Departments. After discussion and review, Martinson made a **MOTION** to approve the posting of these positions. This motion was seconded by Hill.

MOTION CARRIED-VOTING IN FAVOR: Hafften, Buoy, Graner, Hill and Martinson.

Members of the City Council and staff then provided updates on the Hockey Rink, Lumberyard, Fire Department Auxiliary Spaghetti Dinner and other happenings around the city.

MOTION was then made by Buoy, and seconded by Graner, to adjourn the Council Meeting at approximately 6:42 p.m.

MOTION CARRIED-VOTING IN FAVOR: Hafften, Buoy, Graner, Hill and Martinson.

Typed this 3rd day of March, 2016.

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