

**CITY OF ROCK ISLAND
CITY COUNCIL MEETING**

**May 1, 2017
MINUTES**

Rock Island City Council met in regular session at 6:45 p.m. in Council Chambers of Rock Island City Hall. Present were Mayor Dennis E. Pauley presiding, and Aldermen Charles O. Austin III, Ivory D. Clark, Virgil J. Mayberry, P.J. Foley, Stephen L. Tollenaer, Kate Hotle, and Joshua Schipp. Also present were Interim City Manager Randy Tweet and City Attorney Dave Morrison.

Introductory Proceedings

Mayor Pauley called the meeting to order and led in the Pledge of Allegiance. Alderman Foley gave the Invocation.

Agenda Item #5

Minutes of the meeting of April 17, 2017.

It was moved by Alderman Hotle and seconded by Alderman Schipp to approve the Minutes of the meeting of April 17, 2017 as printed. The motion carried by the following Aye and No vote; those voting Aye being; Alderman Austin, Alderman Clark, Alderman Mayberry, Alderman Foley, Alderman Tollenaer, Alderman Hotle, and Alderman Schipp; those voting No, none.

Agenda Item #6

Minutes of the Executive Sessions of January 16, 2017; February 13, 2017; February 20, 2017; March 6, 2017; March 20, 2017; April 3, 2017; and April 17, 2017.

It was moved by Alderman Foley and seconded by Alderman Hotle to approve the Executive Session Minutes. The motion carried by the following Aye and No vote; those voting Aye being; Alderman Austin, Alderman Clark, Alderman Mayberry, Alderman Foley, Alderman Tollenaer, Alderman Hotle, and Alderman Schipp; those voting No, none.

Agenda Item #7

Update Rock Island by Mayor Dennis E. Pauley.

Kindergarten Round-Up – The Rock Island – Milan School District #41 will be holding Kindergarten Round-Up for the 2017-2018 school year on Wednesday, May 3, 2017. Children must 5 years old on or before September 1, 2017 in order to attend Kindergarten. For school boundary information and other requirements, please visit www.rockislandschools.org or call (309) 793-5995.

Spring Gardening With Craig Hignight – The Rock Island Public Library will offer a free program, Spring Gardening with Craig Hignight on Wednesday, May 3, 2017 from 6:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m. at the Main Library Community Room, 401 19th Street. Kick off your Spring season with one of the Quad Cities' foremost gardening experts and get answers to your questions and learn from Craig's knowledge. The event is free and for more information please call (309) 732-7323.

Downtown Open House – What do forty downtown Rock Island businesses and organizations have in common? They want you to know #whatsupdowntownri! They are opening their doors to

welcome residents to explore and learn all about the exciting things going on in your downtown area. From special sales, to door prizes, to refreshments and more, there are plenty of reasons to pack the downtown sidewalks on Saturday, May 6 from 12-4 p.m.

Gallery Hop – The District and MidCoast Fine Arts present Gallery Hop! Friday, May 5, 2017 from 6:00 p.m. to 10:00 p.m. – an open house in downtown Rock Island. Gallery Hop! showcases local artists in over 20 locations that include galleries, restaurants, shops and hot spots in downtown Rock Island. It's fun, casual, and it's where you can find unforgettable items for yourself, that someone special, and don't forget mom. Jewelry, photography, woodwork, glass, paintings, book signings, sculpture and performance art will all be featured. Talk with the artists, indulge your senses, shop and watch live demonstrations.

Spring Plant Sale – On Sunday, May 7, 2017 The Rock Island's Parks and Recreation Department will hold a plant sale at Longview Park at the corner of 18th Avenue and 17th Street. Shop for bulbs, ornamental grasses, perennials, annuals and more to benefit the City's beautification projects. The sale will take place from 8:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. and for more information please call (309) 732-7275.

Agenda Item #8

Proclamation declaring May, 2017 as Bike Month.

Mayor Pauley read the proclamation. Chuck Oestreich, member of the League of American Bicyclists, accepted the proclamation.

Agenda Item #9

Proclamation declaring May, 2017 as Building Safety Month.

Mayor Pauley read the proclamation. Rock Island Chief Building Official Tom Ayers and Fire Chief Jeff Yerkey accepted the proclamation. Mr. Ayers said it takes team work amongst the owners, designers, construction workers, the Fire Department, Public Works Department and inspectors to ensure building safety.

Agenda Item #10

Claims

It was moved by Alderman Austin and seconded by Alderman Hotle to accept the following reports and authorize payments as recommended. The motion carried by the following Aye and No vote; those voting Aye being; Alderman Austin, Alderman Clark, Alderman Mayberry, Alderman Foley, Alderman Tollenaer, Alderman Hotle, and Alderman Schipp; those voting No, none.

- a. Report from the Human Resources Department regarding payment in the amount of \$21,194.23 to Dave Morrison of Rock Island, IL for legal services rendered for the month of April.
- b. Report from the Human Resources Department regarding payment in the amount of

\$3,201.41 to Peter Brown of Rock Island, IL for General Liability claim.

c. Report from the Human Resources Department regarding payment in the amount of \$611.93 to Brian Neuerburg for General Liability claim.

d. Report from the Human Resources Department regarding payment in the amount of \$10,000.00 to Michael P. Schmiede PC for General Liability claim.

Agenda Item #11

Claims for the week of April 14 through April 20 in the amount of \$655,183.99 and for the week of April 21 through April 27 in the amount of \$650,914.84 and payroll for the weeks of April 10 through April 23 in the amount of \$1,472,673.06.

It was moved by Alderman Foley and seconded by Alderman Mayberry to allow the claims and payroll. The motion carried by the following Aye and No vote; those voting Aye being; Alderman Austin, Alderman Clark, Alderman Mayberry, Alderman Foley, Alderman Tollenaer, Alderman Hotle, and Alderman Schipp; those voting No, none.

Agenda Item #12

ACH Payments for the month of March in the amount of \$976,700.84.

It was moved by Alderman Hotle and seconded by Alderman Schipp to approve the ACH payments. The motion carried by the following Aye and No vote; those voting Aye being; Alderman Austin, Alderman Clark, Alderman Mayberry, Alderman Foley, Alderman Tollenaer, Alderman Hotle, and Alderman Schipp; those voting No, none.

Agenda Item #13

Purchase Card Claims for the period from February 28 through March 27, 2017 in the amount of \$51,987.34.

It was moved by Alderman Clark and seconded by Alderman Foley to approve the purchase card claims. The motion carried by the following Aye and No vote; those voting Aye being; Alderman Austin, Alderman Clark, Alderman Mayberry, Alderman Foley, Alderman Tollenaer, Alderman Hotle, and Alderman Schipp; those voting No, none.

Agenda Item #14

Other Business

Alderman Hotle praised City staff and offered advice to the incoming new aldermen.

Alderman Foley reminisced about his time on the Council and the accomplishments he was most proud of as an alderman.

Alderman Austin thanked everyone for the opportunity to serve.

Mayor Pauley said he was extremely honored to have served the citizens of Rock Island for four years as an alderman and eight years as mayor. He said he was equally honored to have worked with the fine people around the table. Mayor Pauley said the City staff is second to none. He noted that Randy Tweet stepped into a very difficult job and has done an excellent job at it. He is very proud of the new police station that was built. Everyone has worked together and they covered many different issues. He thinks the new Mayor and Council will do an outstanding job. Mayor Pauley thanked everyone for the opportunity to serve for the last twelve years. He will be looking for new volunteer opportunities in Rock Island.

Interim City Manager Randy Tweet asked Mayor Pauley to join him at the podium. Mr. Tweet presented Mayor Pauley with a plaque featuring the Mayor's gavel he used during his tenure. Mr. Tweet announced that on May 30 at 10:30 a.m., the community room at the new police station will be dedicated in Mayor Pauley's honor. Mayor Pauley received a standing ovation.

Agenda Item #15

Motion to Adjourn Sine Die.

It was moved by Alderman Foley and seconded by Alderman Hotle to adjourn the meeting Sine Die. The motion carried by the following Aye and No vote; those voting Aye being; Alderman Austin, Alderman Clark, Alderman Mayberry, Alderman Foley, Alderman Tollenaer, Alderman Hotle, and Alderman Schipp; those voting No, none.

The meeting was adjourned Sine Die at 7:22 p.m.

City Clerk Judith H. Gilbert administered the Oath of Office to the following: Mayor Mike Thoms, Alderman Ivory Deaon Clark, Alderman James Spurgetis, Alderman Dylan Parker, and Alderman Dave Geenen.

Mayor Thoms called the meeting to order at 7:29 p.m. Present were Mayor Mike Thoms presiding, and Aldermen Dave Geenen, Ivory D. Clark, Virgil J. Mayberry, James Spurgetis, Stephen L. Tollenaer, Dylan Parker, and Joshua Schipp. Also present were Interim City Manager Randy Tweet and City Attorney Dave Morrison.

Agenda Item #3

Report from the Human Resources Department regarding bids for the Self Insurance Program for 2010/2018 recommending approval of the self insurance package recommended by Arthur J. Gallagher and third party administration services and recommending approval of payment to Arthur J. Gallagher in the amount of \$379,032.00 for the insurance renewals.

It was moved by Alderman Schipp and seconded by Alderman Clark to approve the self insurance package and approve payment as recommended. The motion carried by the following Aye and No vote; those voting Aye being; Alderman Geenen, Alderman Clark, Alderman Mayberry, Alderman Spurgetis, Alderman Tollenaer, Alderman Parker, and Alderman Schipp; those voting No, none.

Agenda Item #4

Report from the Finance Department regarding an adjustment to the CY 2017 Budget recommending increasing the Martin Luther King Jr. Activity Fund by \$20,000.00 in revenues and \$21,318.86 in expenditures.

It was moved by Alderman Clark and seconded by Alderman Mayberry to approve the budget adjustment as recommended. The motion carried by the following Aye and No vote; those voting Aye being; Alderman Geenen, Alderman Clark, Alderman Mayberry, Alderman Spurgetis, Alderman Tollenaer, Alderman Parker, and Alderman Schipp; those voting No, none.

Agenda Item #5

Other Business

Alderman Schipp and Alderman Clark congratulated and welcomed the new Council and expressed appreciation for the old Council. Alderman Spurgetis thanked the voters, candidates, and city and county staff who took part in the election and the sponsors of the forums. Alderman Parker thanked all who participated in the election, his supporters and his opponent. Mayor Thoms thanked his family for their support.

Miguel Morga, resident of Rock Island, addressed Council regarding the issue of Parks employees joining the current AFCSME bargaining unit.

Agenda Item #6

No Executive Session

An Executive Session was not held.

Agenda Item #7

Adjourn

It was moved by Alderman Mayberry and seconded by Alderman Schipp to adjourn the meeting to 6:45 p.m., Monday, May 8, 2017. The motion carried by the following Aye and No vote; those voting Aye being; Alderman Geenen, Alderman Clark, Alderman Mayberry, Alderman Spurgetis, Alderman Tollenaer, Alderman Parker, and Alderman Schipp; those voting No, none. The meeting was adjourned at 7:38 p.m.

Judith H. Gilbert, City Clerk