CITY OF ROCK ISLAND
CITY COUNCIL MEETING
City Hall
1528 Third Avenue, Rock Island IL
City Council Chambers, 3rd Floor

4/22/2019 - Minutes

1. Call to Order

   Mayor Thoms called the meeting to order at 6:45 p.m. and welcomed everyone.

2. Roll Call

   Mayor Thoms asked the City Clerk to call the roll.

   Present: Mayor Mike Thoms, Alderman Virgil J. Mayberry, Alderman James Spurgetis, Alderman Stephen L. Tollenaer, Alderman Dylan Parker, Alderman Joshua Schipp, Alderman Dave Geenen, and Alderman Ivory D. Clark

   Staff: City Manager Randy Tweet, City Attorney Dave Morrison, City Clerk Judith Gilbert, and other City staff

3. Pledge of Allegiance

   Mayor Thoms led in the saying of the Pledge of Allegiance.

4. Moment of Silence

   Mayor Thoms asked for a moment of silence. A moment of silence was observed.

5. Minutes of the April 8, 2019 meeting.

   MOTION:

   Alderman Spurgetis moved to approve the minutes as printed; Alderman Clark seconded.

   VOTE:

   Motion passed on a 7-0-0 voice vote. Aye: Mayberry, Spurgetis, Tollenaer, Parker, Schipp, Geenen, and Clark. Nay: None. Absent: None.

6. Update Rock Island by Mayor Thoms

   NFL Original Towns - Rock Island will host a live hometown event to announce a 2019 NFL Draft
The community is invited to join in the celebration on April 27 at the Austin E. Knowlton Outdoor Athletic Complex at Augustana College. Nearly 100 years after the National Football League was born in Canton, Ohio, the NFL is celebrating the 13 communities, including Rock Island, that were home to the 14 teams of its inaugural season. The initiative is part of ‘NFL100’, a year-long commemoration of its centennial season bringing together generations of football fans, players, communities and all 32 clubs for a unique line-up of programming and activities.

During the 2019 NFL Draft, selections from Rock Island and seven of the league’s “Original Towns” outside of the 32 current NFL markets will be made live in the telecast. Our hometown celebration will showcase Rock Island’s history alongside fans and elected officials. This historic event solidifies the NFL history in Rock Island and celebrates the Rock Island Independents, one of the first NFL charter members, who played football at historic Douglas Park in Rock Island.

The gates will open for this free community event at noon on April 27th and there will be a Family Fun Zone featuring bounce houses, carnival games, and goodie bags for the first 150 children. For a full list of events, vendors, and activities, please visit WWW.ROCKISLANDDRAFT.COM. Are you ready for some football?

Rock Island Unplugged – Please join City leaders and Department Directors as they organize the second Rock Island Unplugged on Thursday, May 16, 2019 at The Establishment, located at 220 19th Street in Rock Island. This is an informal, yet structured event to have an open dialogue with city officials on city happenings. Hors d’oeuvres, non alcoholic beverages and a cash bar will be available to those that attend. Doors open at 5:30 p.m., with discussion starting at 6:00 p.m.

Alderman Mayberry asked Mayor Thoms for a public statement regarding the financing of Alderman Mayberry's opponent in the recent election; he said there are rumors. Mayor Thoms stated he did not put any money into Randall Hurt's campaign. Mayor Thoms said he did answer Mr. Hurt's questions and offered him advice. Alderman Mayberry asked Mayor Thoms if people asked Mayor Thoms to pass money on to Mr. Hurt's campaign. Mayor Thoms said he did pass on one campaign contribution to Mr. Hurt.

7. Proclamation declaring April 2019 as Alcohol Awareness Month.

City Clerk Gilbert and Mayor Thoms read the proclamation. Joe Lemon, founder of The Abbey Addiction Treatment Center, accepted the proclamation. Mr. Lemon said he appreciates drawing attention to this issue. They want to focus on prevention of alcohol addiction and outreach. They have several partners in the community including the Center for Alcohol and Drug Services (now part of UnityPoint), the Robert Young Center, Riverside, and many more. A picture was taken with Mayor Thoms.

8. Proclamation declaring May 4, 2019 as Keep Rock Island Beautiful Day.

City Clerk Gilbert and Mayor Thoms read the proclamation. Jody Leiby, President of Keep Rock Island Beautiful, accepted the proclamation. She spoke about the various clean-up campaigns in anticipation of the NFL Draft event as well as May clean-up events. She thanked Mayor Thoms and Council for the proclamation. A picture was taken with Mayor Thoms.

Alderman Parker suggested that representatives of the Broadway neighborhood coordinate with Alderman Clark and the Longview neighborhood to work together on the May 4th clean-up and meet in the middle at 17th Street.

9. Proclamation declaring the week of May 5 through May 11, 2019 as Exchange Club of the Quad Cities Week.
Mayor Thoms read the proclamation. Bob Dixon, President-elect of the Exchange Club of the Quad Cities, accepted the proclamation. He explained that exchange clubs have been around for 50 years and there are 26 clubs throughout Illinois. Their primary goal is the prevention of child abuse. He thanked Mayor Thoms and Council for the proclamation. A picture was taken with Mayor Thoms.

10. Proclamation declaring the week of May 5 through May 11, 2019 as Municipal Clerks Week.

Mayor Thoms read the proclamation. City Clerk Judith Gilbert accepted the proclamation. Ms. Gilbert thanked the Mayor and Council for the proclamation. She said it was her honor and privilege to serve Council and City staff as well as all of the residents of Rock Island with their needs with regard to municipal government. She thanked them for the opportunity to serve. Mayor Thoms thanked the City Clerk for her service and said she has done a wonderful job. A picture was taken with Mayor Thoms.

11. Mayor Thoms will close the regular meeting and open a Public Hearing on a request from Sarah Zepeda for a waiver of the signature requirement to secure a Liquor License at 1831 3rd Avenue.

Mayor Thoms closed the regular meeting at 7:06 p.m. and opened a Public Hearing.

Sarah and Jose Zepeda were not in attendance.

Mayor Thoms asked if there was anyone opposed to the request who wished to speak. No one came forward.

Mayor Thoms asked if there was anyone in favor of the request who wished to speak. No one came forward.

MOTION:

Alderman Schipp moved to close the Public Hearing; Alderman Clark seconded.

VOTE:

Motion passed on a 7-0-0 voice vote. Aye: Mayberry, Spurgetis, Tollenaer, Parker, Schipp, Geenen, and Clark. Nay: None. Absent: None.

Mayor Thoms closed the Public Hearing at 7:07 p.m., reconvened the regular meeting, and entertained a motion.

MOTION:

Alderman Parker moved to waive the signature requirement as requested and moved to recommend to the Mayor/Liquor Commissioner to approve the liquor license; Alderman Schipp seconded.

Alderman Parker asked if QC Pancake House was expanding their business hours. Mayor Thoms said, no; the hours would be the same. He said they are adding some breakfast type drinks such as mimosas and Bloody Marys.

VOTE:
Motion passed on a 7-0-0 roll call vote. Aye: Mayberry, Spurgetis, Tollenaer, Parker, Schipp, Geenen, and Clark. Nay: None. Absent: None.

Mayor Thoms stated this was a recommendation of Council to the Liquor Commissioner, not an approval. City Clerk Gilbert clarified it is also Council's approval of the waiver of the signature requirement.

12. Mayor Thoms will close the regular meeting and open a Public Hearing on a request from Jose and Alicia Gomez for a Special Use Permit to operate a landscaping business office, parking lot, and accessory equipment storage buildings at 1406, 1412 and 1416 6th Avenue, zoned R-4 (one to six family residence) district.

Mayor Thoms closed the regular meeting at 7:09 p.m. and opened a Public Hearing.

Alicia Gomez stated they have been in business since 2004. Their last location was on 46th Street. They found the current property which will help with expansion and is a perfect location.

Alderman Spurgetis asked Ms. Gomez if she was familiar with and okay with the stipulations in the report. Ms. Gomez replied yes; she said she worked closely with the City on this request and the stipulations.

Mayor Thoms asked if there was anyone opposed to the request who wished to speak. No one came forward.

Mayor Thoms asked if there was anyone in favor of the request who wished to speak. No one came forward.

Mayor Thoms closed the Public Hearing at 7:11 p.m., reconvened the regular meeting, and entertained a motion.

MOTION:

Alderman Schipp moved to approve the special use permit as recommended, subject to the stipulations as stated in the report, and refer to the City Attorney for an ordinance; Alderman Mayberry seconded.

Alderman Parker asked about the type of fencing. Community and Economic Development Director Chandler Poole said it would be a chain link fence.

VOTE:

Motion passed on a 7-0-0 roll call vote. Aye: Mayberry, Spurgetis, Tollenaer, Parker, Schipp, Geenen, and Clark. Nay: None. Absent: None.

13. A Special Ordinance allowing for the installation of a bus shelter for use by MetroLINK in the City right-of-way on the east side of 9th Street at approximately 3705 9th Street.

MOTION:

Alderman Spurgetis moved to consider, suspend the rules, and pass the ordinance; Alderman Mayberry seconded.

VOTE:
14. A Special Ordinance allowing for a "Bus Parking Only" bus parking zone on the north side of the 9th Street entrance to Douglas Park.

MOTION:

Alderman Clark moved to consider, suspend the rules, and pass the ordinance; Alderman Parker seconded.

VOTE:

Motion passed on a 7-0-0 roll call vote. Aye: Mayberry, Spurgetis, Tollenaer, Parker, Schipp, Geenen, and Clark. Nay: None. Absent: None.

15. Claims

a. Report from the Public Works Department regarding payment in the amount of $14,967.30 to A+ Plumbing of Davenport, IA for a sewer lateral repair at 1517 9th Avenue.

b. Report from the Public Works Department regarding payment in the amount of $164,000.00 to Fab Tech Wastewater Solutions of O’Fallon, MO for the Wastewater Grit Channel Replacement Project for services completed through March 26, 2019.

c. Report from the Public Works Department regarding payment in the amount of $117,727.48 to the Illinois Department of Transportation of Springfield, IL for construction costs for the 18th Avenue Resurfacing: 17th Street to 46th Street Project.

MOTION:

Alderman Schipp moved to accept the reports and authorize payment as recommended for Claims items a through c; Alderman Parker seconded.

VOTE:

Motion passed on a 7-0-0 roll call vote. Aye: Mayberry, Spurgetis, Tollenaer, Parker, Schipp, Geenen, and Clark. Nay: None. Absent: None.

d. Report from the Public Works Department regarding payment #13 and final in the amount of $57,049.97 to General Constructors, Inc. of Bettendorf, IA for the 007 Outfall Relocation Project for services provided from October 1, 2018 through March 29, 2019.

MOTION:

Alderman Spurgetis moved to accept the report and authorize payment as recommended; Alderman Schipp seconded.

Alderman Parker recused himself from the vote due to the nature of his employment.

VOTE:
Motion passed on a 6-0-0 roll call vote. Aye: Mayberry, Spurgetis, Tollenaer, Schipp, Geenen, and Clark. Nay: None. Absent: None.

16. Claims for the weeks of April 5 through April 11 in the amount of $2,184,191.22 and April 12 through April 18 in the amount of $428,368.86; and payroll for the weeks of March 25, 2019 through April 7, 2019 in the amount of $1,472,025.07.

MOTION:

Alderman Clark moved to allow the claims and payroll; Alderman Spurgetis seconded.

VOTE:

Motion passed on a 7-0-0 roll call vote. Aye: Mayberry, Spurgetis, Tollenaer, Parker, Schipp, Geenen, and Clark. Nay: None. Absent: None.

17. ACH payments for the month of February 2019 in the amount of $2,209,436.50.

MOTION:

Alderman Spurgetis moved to approve the ACH payments; Alderman Tollenaer seconded.

VOTE:

Motion passed on a 7-0-0 roll call vote. Aye: Mayberry, Spurgetis, Tollenaer, Parker, Schipp, Geenen, and Clark. Nay: None. Absent: None.

18. Purchase Card Claims for the period of January 29, 2019 through February 26, 2019 in the amount of $42,515.08.

MOTION:

Alderman Spurgetis moved to approve the purchase card claims; Alderman Tollenaer seconded.

VOTE:

Motion passed on a 7-0-0 roll call vote. Aye: Mayberry, Spurgetis, Tollenaer, Parker, Schipp, Geenen, and Clark. Nay: None. Absent: None.

19. Report from the Public Works Department regarding the emergency purchase of the remanufactured Waukesha engine from Kraft Power Corporation of Gaylord, MI in the amount of $42,500.00.

MOTION:

Alderman Schipp moved to approve the purchase as recommended; Alderman Parker seconded.

VOTE:

Motion passed on a 7-0-0 roll call vote. Aye: Mayberry, Spurgetis, Tollenaer, Parker, Schipp, Geenen, and Clark. Nay: None. Absent: None.
20. Report from General Administration regarding an Intergovernmental Agreement for the construction of an integrated P25 emergency radio system.

MOTION:

Alderman Schipp moved to approve the intergovernmental agreement as recommended and authorize the Mayor to execute the agreement; Alderman Clark seconded.

Alderman Schipp asked who was involved in the drafting of the intergovernmental agreement. City Attorney Dave Morrison responded Kathy Swett from Rock Island County, himself, and Maureen Riggs from the City of Moline. City Manager Randy Tweet said there were a lot of meetings and revisions. Alderman Schipp said it was an impressive document and should be a model for intergovernmental agreements. He commended everyone on a job well done. He asked if there would be any furloughs or layoffs affecting existing staff. Mr. Tweet replied no.

Alderman Spurgetis asked about the financial aspects of the agreement and what funds would be used to pay for the project. Mr. Morrison assured Alderman Spurgetis that the municipal financial professionals were also consulted in crafting the agreement. Finance Director Stephanie Masson said it was complicated with two states, two counties, and several municipalities. She said funds from the General Fund would be used to pay for the project coming out of Public Works, Police, and Fire Departments. She said the amount Rock Island would owe is less than they thought it would be; however, it was not budgeted for 2019. Ms. Masson explained they are looking for opportunities for savings to pay for the project without impacting services to citizens.

Mayor Thoms said it is a collaboration also between Scott County and the Arsenal. He said everyone would be able to communicate with each other and it is a great Quad Cities project.

Alderman Parker said the agreement could be a model for cities sharing a vacuum truck and perhaps software. Mr. Tweet said they get government pricing on software and people don’t often agree on vehicles. He said the City does a lot of joint purchasing. Alderman Parker stated it should be replicated for many more things.

VOTE:

Motion passed on a 7-0-0 roll call vote. Aye: Mayberry, Spurgetis, Tollenaer, Parker, Schipp, Geenen, and Clark. Nay: None. Absent: None.

21. Report from the Public Works Department regarding a Project Development Agreement with Johnson Controls, Inc. of Arlington Heights, IL for the development of a performance contract for energy capital improvement projects.

MOTION:

Alderman Parker moved to enter into the project development agreement as recommended and authorize the City Manager to execute the contract documents; Alderman Schipp seconded.

Discussion followed. Alderman Schipp commended the City Manager and Mayor Thoms and the past and present Public Works Directors and everyone who worked behind the scenes and the Sustainability Commission for the work on the project. He said staff from Johnson Controls were in the audience. Alderman Schipp stated they have top expertise.
Alderman Spurgetis said it is a very complex project and there is a lot the City doesn't know yet. The numbers are estimates. Alderman Spurgetis wanted to know the payback time for the savings. Mr. Tweet said he has all of the information. He added that depending on the method of financing and the projects that are actually done, they estimate approximately 15 years for payback. He said each component's payback is different.

Alderman Geenen said while he echoes Alderman Schipp's comments, he stated he would not be supporting the agreement. He said Johnson Controls' bid at $17 million is significantly higher than the lowest bid. He said Johnson Controls has ongoing litigation issues with another community over water meters.

Mayor Thoms thanked the Commission for their time and expertise. He said commission members had great input and questions.

Alderman Clark wanted Johnson Controls to address what Alderman Geenen said. Mr. Tweet explained that it was not an actual bid and they don't know the final analysis or the number of projects. He said the lawsuit has to do with problems with Badger water meters in that after several years, they malfunction. Mr. Tweet said Badger is a reputable company. The City currently has several thousand Badger meters.

Alderman Parker asked Mr. Bartels to give them an overview and asked for confirmation that Johnson Controls received a unanimous recommendation from the Task Force. Interim Public Works Director Mike Bartels explained there will be several components to the project (water, wastewater, streetlights, and solar) and the energy savings from various projects pays for the projects. Mr. Bartels stated the savings are guaranteed by state legislation. The payback will be over 15 to 20 years. He said most of the projects are for the water and wastewater such as the water meters. He reviewed the membership of the Task Force. He explained the process they used for evaluating the contractors. A list of questions were compiled and submitted to the companies before their eight hour interviews. He said it was a very in-depth process and he feels very confident in recommending Johnson Controls to Council.

Alderman Parker summarized the entire project of efficiency improvements to municipal properties and the investment in new HVAC systems for City Hall and the downtown library. He asked if it was like the RFQ process for the parking garage. Mr. Bartels responded that they were not bid submissions, but qualifications. He stated the initial proposal did not request costs although all of the companies submitted costs. He said the decision was not made based on the cost factor, but who could do the work in a timely manner professionally.

Alderman Geenen asked if their past work was checked. Mr. Bartels said they did several in-depth reference checks.

Alderman Parker clarified that the first phase is allowing them to do an engineering analysis and where improvements could be made with efficiencies at all municipal properties. Mr. Bartels explained it would be a technical audit for energy billing and an analysis of the water billing. He said then they come back with project recommendations and projected energy savings. Mr. Bartels said the City would then decide which projects would be done. He explained Council is approving tonight an agreement for Johnson Controls to design the projects and do the audit. Alderman Geenen asked if the City was paying them $675,000 to do that. Mr. Bartels replied no; that would be the fee if the City decided not to go forward with the actual projects. He added if the City goes forward with the projects, that amount would be part of the $17 million in project costs. Mr. Bartels said when the final contract is prepared, both sides have to agree to the energy savings. If the project doesn't go forward, Johnson Controls would have to submit documentation of staff work to receive the $675,000 (not to exceed figure) for the engineering work done.
Mayor Thoms said the greatest savings will be with the water meters. Mr. Tweet said all three contractors showed significant savings, so everyone is confident there will be savings. He explained after the engineering work is done, projects will then be put out for bid.

Discussion continued regarding hiring of local businesses and subcontractors.

Alderman Tollenaer said his major concern is that everyone’s water bill will increase. He stated residents are already paying for the new $24 million Water Filtration Facility project. Mr. Tweet said the water meters are approaching 20 years old and are at the end of their useful life. They will need to be replaced.

Alderman Parker said he doesn’t want the City’s bond rating affected by this project and taking on more debt upfront. Ms. Masson said she couldn’t predict the response of the bond agencies, but there is a good story to tell and there will be lots of documentation to make the case. She added the funding source is the energy savings and state legislation guarantees the savings. There are other financing options. Ms. Masson hopes water use will be measured more accurately; she said meter readings could be done more frequently which would be better customer service. Mr. Tweet explained the money stays within the water fund; he believes future rate increases can be eliminated or reduced especially if the readings are more accurate.

Mr. Tweet said the total cost of the project is just an estimate now. He explained the number from Johnson Controls was higher because they put more improvements into the wastewater plant. Mr. Tweet said if you compare similar projects line item by line item, Johnson Controls was cheaper than the other vendors.

Alderman Geenen said during Goal Setting, the preference was for solar projects. Mr. Tweet said all contractors gave them the same answer regarding solar projects; that when the City is ready to move forward with solar, then the City could see what solar incentives exist at the time. He added Johnson Controls had the most expertise for in-depth solar questions.

VOTE:

Motion did NOT pass on a 3-4-0 roll call vote. Aye: Spurgetis, Parker, and Schipp. Nay: Mayberry, Tollenaer, Geenen, and Clark. Absent: None.

Mayor Thoms said he was disappointed with the vote.

22. Report from the Community and Economic Development Department regarding a five-year extension of the lease agreement with DeSoto Community Artists for space located at 2324 3rd Avenue.

MOTION:

Alderman Parker moved to approve the terms of the lease agreement as recommended and authorize execution of the lease agreement by the City Manager subject to any City Attorney minor modifications; Alderman Clark seconded.

VOTE:

Motion passed on a 7-0-0 roll call vote. Aye: Mayberry, Spurgetis, Tollenaer, Parker, Schipp, Geenen, and Clark. Nay: None. Absent: None.
23. Report from the Community and Economic Development Department regarding a five-year extension of the lease agreement with Quad Cities Woodturners, Inc. for space located at 2324 3rd Avenue.

MOTION:

Alderman Parker moved to approve the terms of the lease agreement as recommended and authorize execution of the lease agreement by the City Manager subject to any City Attorney minor modifications; Alderman Tollenaer seconded.

VOTE:

Motion passed on a 7-0-0 roll call vote. Aye: Mayberry, Spurgetis, Tollenaer, Parker, Schipp, Geenen, and Clark. Nay: None. Absent: None.

24. Report from the Finance Department regarding a Mutual Settlement Agreement and Release with Thomas Egolf and Sandra Negus of Blue Grass, IA.

MOTION:

Alderman Parker moved to authorize the City Manager to execute the agreement and release as recommended subject to minor attorney modifications; authorize the disposal of the houseboat; and authorize the write-offs due from Thomas Egolf; Alderman Clark seconded.

Alderman Tollenaer said it was a bad idea.

VOTE:

Motion passed on a 6-1-0 roll call vote. Aye: Mayberry, Spurgetis, Parker, Schipp, Geenen, and Clark. Nay: Tollenaer. Absent: None.

25. Report from the Community and Economic Development Department regarding a Special Ordinance ceding the City's 2019 private activity volume bonding cap to the Quad Cities Regional Economic Development Authority.

MOTION:

Alderman Spurgetis moved to consider, suspend the rules, and pass the ordinance; Alderman Clark seconded.

VOTE:

Motion passed on a 7-0-0 roll call vote. Aye: Mayberry, Spurgetis, Tollenaer, Parker, Schipp, Geenen, and Clark. Nay: None. Absent: None.

26. Report from the Community and Economic Development Department regarding a Resolution designating areas of the city as "deteriorated or deteriorating."

MOTION:

Alderman Clark moved to adopt the resolution as written; Alderman Parker seconded.

Alderman Parker thanked Chandler Poole and Colleen Small-Vollman for coming to the
Greenbush neighborhood meeting. Alderman Parker said they did a good job of explaining what it all meant.

Alderman Mayberry asked for the map to be shown and what wards the designated areas were in. Mr. Tweet said it included Greenbush and part of Keystone neighborhoods, Douglas Park, and the Longview neighborhood and the area west of it. Alderman Parker added this is a potential opportunity for homeowners to get money to fix up their houses and address code violations. Mr. Tweet said the designated areas are in the First Ward, Fifth Ward, and Sixth Ward. It is dependent on their household income.

VOTE:

Motion passed on a 7-0-0 roll call vote. Aye: Mayberry, Spurgetis, Tollenaer, Parker, Schipp, Geenen, and Clark. Nay: None. Absent: None.

27. Report from the Finance Department regarding an adjustment to the CY 2019 Budget, recommending increasing the Water Fund (501) expenditures by $8,637,642.00 for the Water Filtration Facility project.

MOTION:

Alderman Parker moved to approve the budget adjustment as recommended; Alderman Spurgetis seconded.

VOTE:

Motion passed on a 7-0-0 roll call vote. Aye: Mayberry, Spurgetis, Tollenaer, Parker, Schipp, Geenen, and Clark. Nay: None. Absent: None.

28. Report from the Traffic Engineering Committee regarding a request for installation of a handicapped parking space at 1527 29 1/2 Street.

MOTION:

Alderman Parker moved to approve the request as recommended and refer to the City Attorney for an ordinance; Alderman Clark seconded.

VOTE:

Motion passed on a 7-0-0 roll call vote. Aye: Mayberry, Spurgetis, Tollenaer, Parker, Schipp, Geenen, and Clark. Nay: None. Absent: None.

29. Report from the Traffic Engineering Committee regarding a request for installation of a handicapped parking space at 830 21st Street.

MOTION:

Alderman Parker moved to approve the request as recommended and refer to the City Attorney for an ordinance; Alderman Clark seconded.

VOTE:

Motion passed on a 7-0-0 roll call vote. Aye: Mayberry, Spurgetis, Tollenaer, Parker, Schipp,
Rock Island will host a live hometown event to announce a 2019 NFL Draft.

30. Report from the Traffic Engineering Committee regarding a request for installation of a handicapped parking space at 506 6th Street.

MOTION:

Alderman Clark moved to approve the request as recommended and refer to the City Attorney for an ordinance; Alderman Mayberry seconded.

VOTE:

Motion passed on a 7-0-0 roll call vote. Aye: Mayberry, Spurgetis, Tollenaer, Parker, Schipp, Geenen, and Clark. Nay: None. Absent: None.

31. Report from the Mayor regarding a reappointment and appointments to the Rock Island Public Library Board.

MOTION:

Alderman Spurgetis moved to approve the reappointment and appointments as recommended; Alderman Clark seconded.

Eudell Watts III is being reappointed to the Library Board and Deb Freiburg and Alderwoman-elect Jenni Swanson are being appointed to the Library Board.

VOTE:

Motion passed on a 7-0-0 voice vote. Aye: Mayberry, Spurgetis, Tollenaer, Parker, Schipp, Geenen, and Clark. Nay: None. Absent: None.

32. Report from the City Clerk regarding requests from El Patron Express for outdoor entertainment with sound amplification, outdoor sale and consumption of alcohol, and outdoor sale and consumption of food for their Cinco de Mayo event in their parking lot on Saturday, May 4, 2019 from 4:00 p.m. to 11:00 p.m. at 3850 Blackhawk Road, Suite H5 and H7.

MOTION:

Alderman Parker moved to approve the requests as recommended, subject to complying with all liquor and food license regulations and subject to being shut down early if complaints are received; Alderman Clark seconded.

Alderman Spurgetis asked if the applicant owned the property and if not, had they checked with the property owners regarding use of the parking lot. Mr. Morrison said it is up to the applicant to make sure the landlord is okay with fencing off the parking lot. Mr. Tweet stated Council is just approving the event with outdoor sales and that question is never asked.

VOTE:

Motion passed on a 7-0-0 roll call vote. Aye: Mayberry, Spurgetis, Tollenaer, Parker, Schipp, Geenen, and Clark. Nay: None. Absent: None.
33. Report from the City Clerk regarding a Sound Amplification Permit application from CCKMA for a fundraiser event to be held at Sunset Marina on Saturday, June 22, 2019 from 6:00 p.m. to 10:00 p.m.

**MOTION:**

Alderman Clark moved to approve the sound amplification permit as recommended; Alderman Spurgetis seconded.

In response to a question from Alderman Spurgetis, City Clerk Gilbert said the event is a boat poker run and would begin and end at the marina. Alderman Mayberry asked what CCKMA stands for. City Clerk said it is "Cancer Can Kiss My A**."

**VOTE:**

Motion passed on a 7-0-0 roll call vote. Aye: Mayberry, Spurgetis, Tollenaer, Parker, Schipp, Geenen, and Clark. Nay: None. Absent: None.

34. Other Business / Public Comment

**OTHER BUSINESS**

Alderman Spurgetis noted that last week was National Public Telecommunicators Week in recognition of telecommunicators for police, fire, and EMS who handle thousands of calls and provide a vital service. Alderman Spurgetis provided information on the May 11th clean-up on 11th Street.

Alderman Mayberry announced the Men's March that will be held on May 4th. Mr. Tweet explained no permits were needed.

Alderman Tollenaer said he sees two new aldermen-elect in the audience.

**MOTION:**

Although he said he was not changing his mind, Alderman Tollenaer moved to reconsider Agenda item #21; Alderman Parker seconded.

Discussion followed. Alderman Geenen agreed that all three new Council members should hear about the project. Alderman Tollenaer stated he trusts the City's management team and has heard a lot of questions, but his question about the water bills has not been answered.

Mr. Morrison said if the vote succeeds, the next step would be to reconsider to a date certain.

Alderman Mayberry agreed that new Council members should make the decision and do the homework on the project. Alderman Clark said he agrees with Alderman Geenen; Alderman Clark said he wants to hear the new information, in particular, about the lawsuit. He is concerned about the lawsuit and stated Council has voted down companies based on past performance. Alderman Schipp said he asked about litigation at the fall study session. He said all the contractors had litigation. Alderman Schipp asked Johnson Controls how many performance contracts they have done. Joe Armelli, Area Sales Manager, responded they have nearly 6,000 contracts valued at $7 billion.

City Clerk Gilbert re-read the motion after there appeared to be confusion about what the motion
meant. Mr. Morrison explained the reconsideration process.

VOTE:

Motion passed on a 7-0-0 roll call vote. Aye: Mayberry, Spurgetis, Tollenaer, Parker, Schipp, Geenen, and Clark. Nay: None. Absent: None

MOTION:

Alderman Parker moved to postpone Agenda item #21 to May 20; Alderman Schipp seconded.

VOTE:

Motion passed on a 7-0-0 roll call vote. Aye: Mayberry, Spurgetis, Tollenaer, Parker, Schipp, Geenen, and Clark. Nay: None. Absent: None

PUBLIC COMMENT

No one signed up to address Council to speak on a topic.

Chief Yerkey reminded Council that on Saturday, April 27, they will be doing a large-scale 24-hour MABAS exercise at the Arsenal. There will be a guided bus tour for elected officials and VIPs from 1:00 p.m. to 3:00 p.m. The exercise will include five Haz Mat teams and four Technical Rescue teams. Anyone interested should let Chief Yerkey know by Wednesday. City Clerk Gilbert said she had attended a MABAS exercise in the past and said it is fascinating to watch and so much can be learned from public safety personnel.

Alderman Schipp said Alderman Tollenaer is the senior most serving Council member and it was an extraordinary amount of leadership and foresight for alderman Tollenaer to make the motion to reconsider.

35. Executive Session:

5 ILCS 120/2 (c)(1) The appointment, employment, compensation, discipline, performance, or dismissal of specific employees of the public body (or legal counsel for the public body).

5 ILCS 120/2 (c)(11) Litigation, when an action against, affecting or on behalf of the particular public body has been filed and is pending before a court or administrative tribunal, or when the public body finds that an action is probable or imminent, in which case the basis for the finding shall be recorded and entered into the minutes of the closed meeting.

5 ILCS 120/2 (c)(21) Discussion of minutes of meetings lawfully closed under this Act, whether for purposes of approval by the body of the minutes or semi-annual review of the minutes as mandated by Section 2.06.

MOTION:

Alderman Schipp moved to go into Executive Session for the exceptions cited; Alderman Spurgetis seconded.

VOTE:

Motion passed on a 7-0-0 roll call vote. Aye: Mayberry, Spurgetis, Tollenaer, Parker, Schipp,
36. Motion to Adjourn

MOTION:

Alderman Parker moved to adjourn; Alderman Spurgetis seconded.

VOTE:

Motion passed on a 7-0-0 voice vote. Aye: Mayberry, Spurgetis, Tollenaer, Parker, Schipp, Geenen, and Clark. Nay: None. Absent: None.

The meeting adjourned at 9:36 p.m.

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Judith H. Gilbert, City Clerk