

VILLAGE OF ROCKDALE
Board Meeting Minutes of
August 20, 2024

I. Call to Order

Village President Mr. Wyke called to order the regular meeting of the Rockdale Village Board at 7:00 p.m. on August 20, 2024, at the Village Municipal Building, 79 Moen Avenue, Rockdale, Illinois.

II. Roll Call

Following the Pledge of Allegiance, Mr. Wyke asked for a roll call. Trustee Mr. Lorenc was present along with Mr. Scheidt, Mr. Stadler, Mr. Cooling, and Mr. Pirc. Also present in person were Police Chief Mr. Robert Dykstra, Village Engineer Mr. Dan Malinowski, Village Attorney Mr. Stiff and Public Works Superintendent Mr. Angelo Proia. Trustee Barnes was absent.

III. Approval of Previous Minutes

Village President Mr. Wyke asked for a Motion to approve the Village Board meeting minutes from August 6, 2024, as written. Mr. Lorenc made a motion to approve the minutes as written with a second by Mr. Stadler. Motion carried 5 ayes, 0 nays and 1 absent.

IV. Visitors

None

V. Bills and Claims.

Village President Mr. Wyke asked for a Motion to approve the Bills & Claims. Mr. Stadler made a motion to approve with a second by Mr. Pirc. Motion carried 5 ayes, 0 nays and 1 absent.

VI. Clerk's Receipts

Village President Mr. Wyke asked for a Motion to approve the Clerk's Receipts as submitted. Mr. Cooling made a Motion to approve with a second by Mr. Scheidt. Motion carried 5 ayes, 0 nays and 1 absent.

VII. Treasurer's Receipts

Village President Mr. Wyke asked for a Motion to approve the Treasurer's Receipts as submitted. Mr. Lorenc made a Motion to approve with a second by Mr. Cooling. Motion carried 5 ayes, 0 nays 1 absent.

VIII. Treasurer's Report

Village President Mr. Wyke asked for a Motion to approve the Treasurer's Report as submitted. Mr. Scheidt made a Motion to approve with a second by Mr. Lorenc. Motion carried 5 ayes, 0 nays 1 absent.

IX. Building Permits

823 Otis – Fence - this application has been sent to B & F and issued to the owner.

X. Communications

Village President Mr. Wyke asked for any Communications. The Village Clerk inquired as to whether any additional Trustees planned to attend the Annual IML Conference in Chicago this September. There were none. The Clerk also wished Mr. Wyke a happy birthday next week.

XI. Old Business

Mr. Pirc asked about the progress of the Rockdale water study program which is on-going and will be happening until we are approved to switch over to the Joliet water supply. Once completed, the Village can then use Joliet water until the new well is completed. Strand is working with the company contracted by the Village for the rate study, which will hopefully be completed soon.

XII. New Business

Mr. Wyke asked Board members for any new business. Mr. Scheidt mentioned an unusual number of vehicles parking near the Church. Mr. Wyke thought a recent estate sale held in that area may have been the cause. Mr. Stadler commented about people failing to stop at the stop signs near his house. With the kids returning to school, this is a safety issue. Police Chief Dykstra assured Mr. Stadler and members of the Board that his department will send patrols to keep an eye on this area.

The first item on the agenda was the NPDES Permit Termination Process Review by Robinson Engineering. Mr. Bill Liska from Robinson Engineering addressed the Board, explaining in detail the plan for terminating the permit. Mr. Lorenc asked about the history of discharges from the old treatment plant lagoon. Thankfully, there has not been a history of any discharges which is beneficial to the application process. The plan to move forward is to eventually terminate this permit because of the time involved when dealing with the IEPA, it is in the Village's best interest to complete the renewal process with an indication to terminate.

The next agenda item was the Business License Application Review – CTR Truck Repair – Braulio Rodriguez. Mr. Rodriguez described his business as a truck repair located at Railroad Street and the Quonset hut on Route 6. He will have 5 employees. Mr. Wyke asked several questions including whether there will be security cameras at the location as well as overnight truck parking. Mr. Rodriguez indicated that there would be security cameras and that there would be no more than 8 trucks on site at a time. There would be no long-term storage, as the trucks would be repaired and put back into service. Wyke welcomed him to the Village.

The next item was a discussion regarding proposals for new HVAC equipment for the Rockdale Village Hall and Board Room. Mr. Wyke gave a brief overview of what has transpired to date with the proposal reviewing process which leads to the final selection being a company that has been used by a Board member in the past along with representing a location in Rockdale with the selection of Comfort Control Services at \$38,600.00. Mr. Stiff reminded the Trustees that they previously waived competitive bidding so at this point a motion to approve the proposal was in order with a motion made by Mr. Lorenc to approve the Comfort Control proposal in an amount not to exceed \$38,600.00, with a second by Mr. Scheidt. Motion carried, 5 ayes, 0 nays and 1 absent.

Next on the agenda was the discussion regarding a Village Special Event Ordinance. Mr. Stiff indicated that he had sent the Trustees a set of materials and sample ordinances. Mr. Lorenc indicated that he had read some of the samples and suggested that he and another interested Trustee could meet to compare notes as to what would be preferred in the Rockdale Ordinance. The idea would be to report back to the Board with suggestions.

While on the topic of special events, Mr. Wyke brought up to the Board about Roc City having a special event planned for this coming Saturday.

Finally, a special golf outing event is being hosted by the Dale AC in September.

XIII. Department Business

Public Works Superintendent Mr. Proia presented his update. Mr. Proia advised the Board about the curb painting planned for next week with his staff. Additionally, fire hydrants will need to be replaced at a couple of locations. Costs will be gathered and presented to the Board at a later date.

Mr. Proia spoke of higher-than-normal water usage by Village residents which had a trickledown effect since the Village is down to one main well for Village feed water. From this high usage, it triggered the on-demand supply of Joliet water for the feed. There might be a leak in the closed loop system so that is presently being investigated.

Police Chief Mr. Dykstra handed out the two-week call list along with the Police activity in Rockdale. During the last Rockdale Appropriations meeting, police dispatch was set at \$70,000.00 for the year. From their Board of directors, they approved a credit to the supporting agencies from their fund balance which resulted in a reduction of costs for our Fiscal year budget now at \$42,934.07.

Flock camera replacement project is taking place next week. Prepare to see their maintenance vans throughout the Village.

The “Look amazing, be amazing” event on August 8, 2024 went well. Attendance was down but it was still a popular event. The Tow trucks for Totes parade will utilize Meadow Ave this year and be supported by the Rockdale Police Department.

Village Engineer Mr. Malinowski provided a handout and then highlighted certain items of interest, including an update on the Guzman property on Moen Avenue, and Nicor work on Midland Ave by the railroad tracks as it pertains to the Village water main. The Alliance Fence project is continuing with the discussions now centering on the design engineering.

The situation at 2121 Gould Court and the abundance of vehicles on the property runs counter to what the Village originally had planned for with the daily operations. Euro Trucking is also problematic with truck traffic and deliveries. Also, they are required to tap on to the Village water supply which will be handled moving forward.

Village Attorney Mr. Stiff had nothing to add.

XIV. Public Comment

Mr. Wyke asked for Public Comment comments from those in attendance. There was none.

XV.Special Business

None

XVI.Adjournment

Prior to adjournment, Mr. Wyke wished everyone a safe and enjoyable Labor day.

Mr. Wyke then asked for a Motion to adjourn the meeting. A Motion was made by Mr. Lorenc with a second by Mr. Stadler. Motion carried 5 ayes, 0 nays, 1 absent.

The next Village Board Meeting will be Tuesday September 3, 2024.