

**ROCHELLE CITY COUNCIL  
REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES  
DECEMBER 27, 2016**

The Rochelle City Council met in Regular Session at 7:00 p.m. on Monday, December 27, 2016 in the Council Chambers of City Hall; 420 N. 6<sup>th</sup> Street; Rochelle, IL 61068.

**PLEDGE TO THE FLAG & PRAYER:** The Prayer was said by Clerk McKinney.

**ROLL CALL:** Present on Roll Call were Councilmembers Eckhart, Hollenbeck, D. McDermott, T. McDermott, and Mayor Olson. Absent: Burke and Hayes. A quorum of five was present. Also present were City Manager Plyman, City Attorney Cooper, and City Clerk McKinney.

**PROCLAMATIONS, COMMENDATIONS, ETC:** None

**REPORTS AND COMMUNICATIONS:**

Mayor:

Council: None.

**PUBLIC COMMENTARY**

**BUSINESS ITEMS:**

**1) CONSENT AGENDA ITEMS BY OMNIBUS VOTE with Recommendations:**

- a) Approve Minutes of City Council Meeting – December 12, 2016
- b) Accept and Place on File Minutes of Police and Fire Commissioners – September 27, 2016
- c) Accept and Place on File Minutes of Golf Course Advisory Committee – November 21, 2016
- d) Approve Bills – 12/2/16-12/8/16, 12/9/16-12/15/16
- e) Approve Payroll – 11/21/16-12/4/16

Moved by Councilor Eckhart and seconded by Councilor D. McDermott, "**I move Consent Agenda Items (a) through (e) be approved by Omnibus Vote as recommended.**" Roll call vote was taken. Ayes: Eckhart, Hollenbeck, D. McDermott, T. McDermott and Mayor Olson. Nays: None. Motion passed 5-0.

- 2) **Budget Fiscal Year 2017 (Public Hearing and Adoption).** The City Council held Committee of the Whole meetings on October 24th and November 7th to discuss the upcoming 2017 budget. During the meetings, management staff provided information on expenditure projections for May 1–December 31, 2016 and requests for new hires, capital purchases and projects proposed for 2017. City Manager Plyman and the City Council discussed the budget further at the November 28th meeting. At that time, council requested that modifications be proposed in order to decrease the transfers to the general fund. City Manager Plyman presented a list of recommended modifications to decrease the transfers at the December 12<sup>th</sup> council meeting. The City Clerk published a Public Hearing notice, as required by State law, to consider adoption of the budget at the December 27th City Council Meeting. Final action on the 2017 Calendar Budget is required on or before December 29, 2016 in order for it to be filed with the County. The final Proposed 2017 General Fund revenues are budgeted at \$10,449,830. This represents an increase of approximately 2% compared to the approved 2016-17 budget. Budgeted expenses total \$10,437,814 which is approximately 3% higher than the 2016-17 budgets and results in a budget surplus of \$12,017. The combination of the General Fund with Special Revenue Funds, Enterprise Funds, Internal Service Funds, Trust and Agency Funds and Capital Project Funds results in budgeted revenues totaling \$83,355,750 and budgeted expenses totaling \$84,527,300. Illinois statutes require that the City conduct a public hearing on the proposed budget to allow citizens the opportunity to provide comments. After the Council returns to regular session, members of the Council can propose modifications to the proposed budget, each of which will be voted on by the Council. The proposed budget as amended will then be subject to a final Council vote for approval. Moved by Councilor Eckhart and seconded by Councilor T. McDermott, **“I move the Council recess into a public hearing for fiscal year 2017 budget.”** Roll call vote was taken. Ayes: Eckhart, Hollenbeck, D. McDermott, T. McDermott and Mayor Olson. Nays: None. Motion passed 5-0. There was no public comments. Moved by Councilor Hollenbeck and seconded by Councilor Da. McDermott, **“I move the Council return to open session.”** Motion passed by voice vote without dissent. Councilor Eckhart asked the city manager to report back in 60 days to have a three-year plan on the budget. Moved by Councilor Hollenbeck and seconded by Councilor Eckhart, **“I move budget 16-4638, budget fiscal year 2017, be approved.”** Roll call vote was taken. Ayes: Eckhart, Hollenbeck, D. McDermott, T. McDermott and Mayor Olson. Nays: None. Motion passed 5-0.
- 3) **Ordinance Amending Section 6-46 of the Municipal Code to Create One Restaurant/Recreation Liquor License and Delete One Tavern Liquor License – The Rack Bar and Grill.** The City has received a request from A.S. Gran Corporation for a restaurant/recreation liquor license for The Rack Bar and Grill located at 406 Cherry Avenue. The business currently holds a tavern liquor license which it would surrender following the approval of the restaurant/recreation liquor license. The Liquor Commissioner, Mayor Olson, has reviewed the request and has no objection to the creation of an additional restaurant/recreation liquor license in place of the tavern liquor license as requested. These changes will result in a total of eight restaurant/recreation liquor licenses and six tavern licenses in the City of Rochelle. Moved by Councilor Hollenbeck and seconded by Councilor be. McDermott. **“I move ordinance 16-4639, an ordinance amending section 6-46 of the Municipal Code to create one restaurant/recreation liquor license and delete one tavern liquor license, be approved.”** Roll call vote was taken. Ayes: Eckhart, Hollenbeck, D. McDermott, T. McDermott and Mayor Olson. Nays: None. Motion passed 5-0.

- 4) **Amendment 4 to the Agreement with Willett Hofmann & Associates for Well #12 Water System Improvements.** The new well 12 project experienced several set-backs and delays due to various factors such as deciding to install a variable frequency drive rather than a soft start on the submersible motor. Some of these delays and changes in the original design caused a significant increase in the time Willet Hoffman employees spent reviewing specifications and construction management. Per Willett Hofmann, the total number of hours expended over the expected amount was 380 at a total cost of \$37,000. Water/Water Reclamation Superintendent Adam Lanning recommends approving an amendment to the engineering agreement in the amount of \$37,000 to cover extra costs incurred by Willet Hoffman & Associate's during the well 12 project construction phase. This will increase the contract amount from \$446,000 to \$483,000. Adam Lanning was present to answer questions. Moved by Councilor Hollenbeck and seconded by Councilor D. McDermott, **"I move Amendment 16-4640, amendment 4 to the agreement between the City of Rochelle and Willett Hoffman and Associates for the design and construction of water well number 12 and the well building, be approved"** Roll call vote was taken. Ayes: Eckhart, Hollenbeck, D. McDermott, T. McDermott and Mayor Olson. Nays: None. Motion passed 5-0.

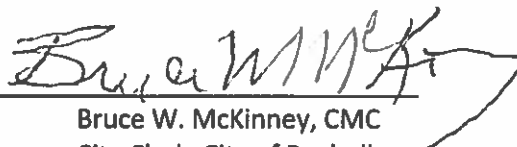
**DISCUSSION ITEM:**

**EXECUTIVE SESSION:** at 7:25 PM, Counselor D. McDermott moved and seconded by Counselor Hollenbeck, **"I move the Council recess into executive session to discuss purchase or lease of real property for city's use. Section (c) (5). And pending or imminent litigation. Section (c) (11)."** Roll call vote was taken. Ayes: Eckhart, Hollenbeck, D. McDermott, T. McDermott and Mayor Olson. Nays: None. Motion passed 5-0.

At 8:12 PM, Counselor D. McDermott moved and seconded by Counselor Hollenbeck, **"I move the Council return to open session."** Motion passed by voice vote without dissent.

**ADJOURNMENT:** At 8:12 PM, moved by Counselor Eckhart and seconded by Counselor Hollenbeck, **"I move the Council adjourn."** Motion passed by voice vote without dissent.

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Chet Olson , Mayor

  
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Bruce W. McKinney, CMC  
City Clerk, City of Rochelle