

April 19, 2023

Mayor Wentz called to order the regular meeting of the Rockwell City Council at 7:00 p.m. on Wednesday, April 19, 2023. Council members present were Koob, Worley, Meyer, Morrison and Emhoff. Also present were Ashley Flatebo, Mary Schulz, Caroline McManigal, Zach Laudner, Jay Siefken and Chief Brunstein.

Morrison moved to approve the minutes of the previous meeting. Motion seconded by Worley, carried unanimously.

Ashley Flatebo and Mary Schulz were present on behalf of the West Fork School. Flatebo stated that they are planning a color run for a playground fundraiser on Sunday May 7<sup>th</sup> at 2:00 p.m. Flatebo noted this will start at the school playground and go to Zeidler Park and back, they will have stations at the kilometer marks where they will throw the color on the runners. Flatebo stated that someone from the fire department has offered to clean up the street following the run. Schulz stated the kids are really excited for the color run. Following discussion, Morrison moved to allow the run on May 7<sup>th</sup> with the race starting at the school playground, blocking Second Street South to Main Street all the way to Zeidler Park and back to Second Street South at the school playground from approximately 1:30 until 3:30. Motion seconded by Emhoff, carried unanimously.

Mayor Wentz asked about the barricades on Second Street for the bus line, if they need to be out over the weekends. Flatebo stated she will check on this. Flatebo and Schulz left the meeting.

Caroline McManigal, Library Director, updated the Council on the repairs for the library, noting that it is pretty much finished and ready for patrons. Koob asked about submitting the time for the pack back to the insurance as that was not a part of the billing from Serve Pro. McManigal reported that she has received funding for the summer reading program to be held in May and June and the Authors previously scheduled will be set to come soon. Koob thanked McManigal for all of her work through this. McManigal left the meeting.

Mayor Wentz stated that we had previously talked about the fireworks ordinance and changes in the ordinance. Koob moved to table this and set fireworks at the next meeting for public forum. Motion seconded by Worley, carried unanimously.

Chief Brunstein stated that he has talked with a resident about a nuisance issue and hopefully it will be worked on now.

Koob felt that we need to look at disposal of yard waste, by pickup or set burn times rather than allowing open burning. Morrison asked what the repercussions are if you burn on a non-burn day. Koob stated that is a civil penalty. With discussion, Council agreed to set this for discussion on the next agenda.

Meyer talked to the resident about the city sign, noting that they are fine with doing something there as long as it looks nice. Emhoff will talk with Northland Design about some sign ideas and Noss Landscaping.

Koob noted the benches and garbage cans for the playground are ready to be picked up. Siefken noted he will get a trailer and pick the items up. Koob also noted that more lights were put up on the shelter house to light up the playground area better.

Mayor Wentz stated that in June he and Mayor Pro Tem Koob are both gone for the first meeting. Mayor Wentz asked the Council about meeting once a month for the summer with all having busy schedules. Council was in agreement on this.

Siefken noted that Heartland Asphalt does not have all the information for the work on First Street North, and does not have pricing for our portion with any changes for the work to be done.

With no further business, Koob moved to adjourn the meeting. Motion seconded by Worley, carried unanimously.

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Larry Wentz, Mayor

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Lorna Weier, City Clerk