

**Council Proceeding's
Regular Meeting
August 5, 2026**

The regular meeting for the City of Rockwood was called to order by Mayor Troy A. Cox in the Council Chamber located at 32409 Fort Rd., at 7:00 p.m.

1.) ROLL CALL

Present: Mayor Cox, Council Members Crampton, Grzywacz, Johnson, Robertson, and Slavin.

City Officials

Present: Police Chief Hill, Fire Chief Mercure, City Administrator Trush, and Treasurer Barb McCoy, Attorney Pelland, City Engineer Souheil Sabak

Absent: Councilwoman Mercure

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

2.) APPROVAL OF AGENDA

M-163-26 Motion made by Johnson/Grzywacz to approve agenda.

Ayes were unanimous
Motion Carried

M-164-26 Motion to excuse Councilperson Mercure made by Robertson/Grzywacz

Ayes were unanimous
Motion Carried

3.) PUBLIC DISCUSSION (ITEMS NOT ON THE AGENDA)

- Morghanne Wood – 32730 Church st
 - Rockwood Beautification Committee- most outstanding yard contest, nominations
- Christine Yanca-Laura – 21823 Roosevelt, expressed concerns regarding the environment impact of rezoning of Rockwood Plaza to B-3.

- Kim Anucinski – 23115 W Ditner, concerns regarding vacant houses. Sweetbriar/Candace, 23127 W Ditner, overgrown sidewalk on Astrid Ln.
- Mariah VanCalbergh – Gibraltar Rockwood Rotary:
 - Rubber Duck Race will be virtual this year, watch part at Pointe Mouillee, 3pm September 20, 2026
 - Sept 19-20 at Pointe Mouillee, will be auctioning TV at event
 - Music in the Park – Mercure Park – Rick Whited Duo 6-9pm August 27, 2026
 - Touch a Truck Event – Mercure Park 10am -1pm August 29, 2026
 - Wayne County Grant- upgrades to electrical in the park

4.) PUBLIC DISCUSSION (ITEMS ON THE AGENDA)

5.) ACTION AGENDA

M-165-26 Motion made by Robertson/Grzywacz to approve the Council Minutes – A. July 15, 2026, and B. Accounts Payable.

Ayes were unanimous
Motion Carried

6.) REPORTS OF THE CITY OFFICIALS/DEPARTMENTS

A. Police Department

- Southeast Michigan Urban Deer Coalition will send out survey by September 1, 2026
- Tahoe will be turned into dealership August 6, 2026
- New Explorer delivered
- Hiring new police officer
- Lt. Mercure retiring September 1, 2026

B. Fire Department

1. Pluff and Sons Implement - \$1,113.17

M-166-26 Motion made by Robertson/Grzywacz to approve payment of Pluff and Sons Implement invoice in the amount of \$1,113.17.

Ayes were unanimous
Motion Carried

2. Great Lakes Breathing Air - \$1,676.35

M-167-26 Motion made by Robertson/Grzywacz to approve payment to Great Lakes Breathing Air in the amount of \$1,676.35

Ayes were unanimous
Motion Carried

C. Treasurer's Report

E. Department of Public Works

1. The Working Man Tree Service - \$3,500

M-168-26 Motion made by Robertson/Grzywacz to approve payment to The Working Man Tree Service in the amount of \$3,500

Ayes were unanimous
Motion Carried

E. Department of Public Works

2. Great Lakes Recreation - \$2,500

M-169-26 Motion made by Robertson/Grzywacz to approve payment to Great Lakes Recreation in the amount of \$2,500

Ayes were unanimous
Motion Carried

3. Aqua-Line Leak Detection Final Report

M-170-26 Motion made by Robertson/Grzywacz to receive and file Aqua-Line Leak Detection Report

- Report showed 4 leaks were identified, with one significant main leak on private property.

Ayes were unanimous
Motion Carried

- Director Boron noted that the previously approved replacement hydrant is going to be used on Cleveland St instead of at Mercure Park.

7.) CONSIDERATION ITEMS

A. Local Road Millage/Headlee Override

M-171-26 Motion made by Grzywacz/Robertson for a Special Council Meeting August 10, 2026 at 6pm to discuss proposed Operating Millage Restoration for Transportation Infrastructure millage

Nays were unanimous
Motion Failed

M-172-26 Motion made by Slavin/Grzywacz to adopt resolution for Headlee Operating Millage Restoration for Transportation Infrastructure millage language to be placed on the November 3, 2026 ballot.

Ayes were unanimous
Motion Carried

B. Housing Commission Appointment – Yvonne Lash

M-173-26 Motion made by Robertson/Grzywacz to approve appointment of Yvonne Lash to the Rockwood Housing Commission for a term ending November 30, 2026

Ayes were unanimous
Motion Carried

C. Amendment No. 5 to Water Service Contract – GLWA
M-174-26 Motion made by Robertson/Grzywacz to approve resolution approving Amendment No. 5 to Water Service Contract between Great Lakes Water Authority and City of Rockwood

Ayes were unanimous
Motion Carried

D. Appoint City Clerk – Amy Castellenas
M-175-26 Motion made by Robertson/Grzywacz to approve appointment of Amy Castellenas as City Clerk with a term ending November 2027

Ayes were unanimous
Motion Carried

8.) ADMINISTRATOR’S REPORT

A. Budget Amendment 27-1 – Police Interceptor
M-176-26 Motion made by Robertson/Grzywacz to approve Budget Amendment 27-1

Ayes were unanimous
Motion Carried

B. ECS Invoices - \$10,262
M-177-26 Motion made by Robertson/Grzywacz to approve payment of invoices to ECS in the amount of \$10,262.

Ayes were unanimous
Motion Carried

9.) ATTORNEY’S REPORT

10.) MAYOR’S REPORT

- A. Updates
- Election was successful, good turnout.
 - Special Thanks to Kaitlyn Burger, Deputy Clerk
 - Governor signed budget, that includes a new police car for Rockwood
 - Chief Hill took questions regarding number of vehicles currently in fleet along with staffing
 - Pickleball courts have been completed and are being used

- Disc Golf Course Grant was not awarded
- New border around playscape at Silver Creek Park
- Opening for Board of Review, Zoning Board of Appeals, and Compensation Commission
- Retirement of Lt Steve Mercure

11.) OLD BUSINESS

- Councilperson Johnson said Thanks for pickleball courts and music in the park
- Councilperson Robertson said thanks to all city hall workers for hard work on the election. Also noted that Rockwood's voter turnout was higher than County average at almost 30%.

12.) NEW BUSINESS

- Councilperson Robertson brought up that August 10-14 will be the Downriver Senior Olympics out of Lincoln Park

13.) ADJOURNMENT

M-178-26 Motion to adjourn made by Robertson/Grzywacz. 8:13pm

Ayes were unanimous
Motion Carried

Deputy Clerk, Kaitlyn Burger

Mayor, Troy Cox