



City of Rock Falls Electric Committee Meeting Minutes

Date: April 8, 2008 Time Meeting Started: 6:30 p.m. Time Meeting Ended: 7:52 p.m.

Members		Also Attended	
Alderman Hand (chairperson)	X	Mayor Blanton	X
Alderman Arduini		Electric Director, Paul Jakubczak	X
Alderman Kuhlemier	X	Richard Downey, City Administrator	X
Alderman Reitzel		Ted Atkins	X

Ordinance/Topic	Discussion	Plan of Action
1. Call to Order @ 6:30 p.m.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Approval of February 12 and March 11, 2008 Electric Committee Minutes 	No action.
3. Financial Update.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Total billed was \$642,567.83. Total expenses of \$639,757.53. Capitol Cost Recovery was \$38,664.19. Total Cash Received was \$593,294.46. Reliability for the month was 99.964% Discussed transferring \$500,000.00 from the capitol reserves to a fund to be used for the Hydro Plant upgrades as well as for the new bucket truck. 	City Council approval.
4. Hydro Plant Update.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Items (a) and (b) we had bid out to install a standby generator at the Hydro Plant as well as to replace the switchgear and the transformer on the outside of the building. These bids came in and were sent to Sega. They recommend going with Cummings for the generator at \$39,153 and ABB and Square D for the switchgear and transformer in the amount of \$98,589. We also discussed the conversion at the MCC for the Hydro, it was recommended that due to the costs that we bid it out to replace it. Mr. Jakubczak informed the Committee where we were at with the tear down of Unit #2 and informed them he will be receiving an update from Dan Hooper at Voith and will pass this along to them as time permits. 	City Council approval.
5. Broadband Update.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Mr. Jakubczak informed the Committee we have six customers. We have one fiber lease. We also have five potential customers coming on too that have signed agreements; and two that are waiting additional pricing. We are still in negotiations with National to run fiber out to their Rock Falls facility. Paul mentioned that T6 Broadband has been very aggressive with their marketing strategies and it has showed by the number of customers that we have. 	No Action.
6. IMEA/IMUA Updates.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Mr. Jakubczak informed the Committee that he needs to know who plans to attend the IMUA Conference. As of this date 	No Action.

	<p>Paul is the only one who is signed up for the Conference.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Discussed the IMEA's need for intermediate power. Discussed why they are looking at purchasing/buying a new plant. The Committee we invite IMEA to talk to the City Council for what the needs are in the future for power. 	
7. Approval of write-offs.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Electric Committee approved the write-offs in a total amount \$32,721.67. This would include the months of May, 2006 through March, 2008. 	City Council Approval.
8. Section 5-165 Electrical Inspection Appointment.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> We had a lengthy discussion regarding the use of Mark Searing, the City's Building Inspector to do the Electrical Inspections during the sale of houses. This item was tabled to obtain more information from Mr. Searing as far as how much more time he expects and if he has the time to do the inspections. The Committee would like to invite Mark Searing to the next Electric Committee Meeting. 	No action.
9. Adoption of 14 th Edition of APPA Safety Manual.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Mr. Jakubczak will be drafting a resolution for the next City Council Meeting to adopt the 14th Edition of the APPA Safety Manual as the Safety Manual for the Electric Department. 	City Council Approval.
10. Committee Members.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Approved the purchase of a splice trailer from Dekalb Fiber Optics in the amount of \$18,500. Paul Jakubczak informed the Committee he had a conversation with Bob Gasper regarding the new Sewer Plant and their electrical requirements as well as installing conduits for the fiber optic to be run out to the plant during the installation of the forced main. Mr. Jakubczak informed the Committee he received the latest Rate Studies from the Agency and it looks like we are anywhere from one to two cents less per kWh than ComEd on our residential rates. The Mayor inquired regarding ComEd and the territorial expansion at our net metering. Paul informed him that he has not heard anything but will be in contact with Mark Heckman and Jim Fox to get a status update. 	
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Adjournment @ 7:52 p.m. 	

Paul A. Jakubczak, Electrical Director