



City of Rock Falls

Public Works Committee Meeting

Minutes

Date: 04/06/08 Time Meeting Started: 6:30 pm Time Meeting Ended: 8:25

Members		Also Attended	
Alderman Arduini (chairperson)	P	Mayor Blanton	P
Alderman Reitzel	P	Jim White, Street Superintendent	P
Alderman Snow	P	Brian Frickenstein, Willett, Hoffman & Ass.	P
Alderman Thurm	P	Helen DeBoard,	P
Alderman Kuhlemier	P	Diane Marley	P
Also Attending		Marne Marley	P
Ted Padilla, Water Superintendent	P	Daniel Marley	P
Joe Bustos, Sauk Valley Newspaper	P	Richard Downey, City Administrator	P
P-Present A-Absent			

Ordinance/Topic	Discussion	Plan of Action
1. Call to Order @ 6:30pm	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Committee called to order at 6:30pm 	No action.
2. Old Business: a) Water Leak Sewer Plant-Mr. Cox	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Mr. Cox was unavailable and the issue was tabled. 	No action.
2. Old Business b) 2008 Sidewalk Projects-Mr. White	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Mr. White presented sidewalk list to the City Council 	
2.) Old Business c) Water Department Land W. 19 th St. & 9 th	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Alderman Arduini reported on land in question. He has talked to Mr. Sterba at Coloma Park District and he talked to Mr. Etenyr with District 13 school. If the city were to title the land to the park district then he would offer the land to the school system if and when they would need it. Alderman Reitzel questioned about selling the property to a private person and making some money off the sale. Discussion was held on the issue. Mayor suggested leasing property to the park district for \$1. Committee directed chairperson to go and speak with either Park or School system to see about leasing land. 	Alderman Arduini will contact Park and School systems to see about leasing property.
2) Old Business d) 2009 Road Projects	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Alderman Arduini opened the floor to discuss locations of projects and handed out list of road projects that he had created. Discussion was had on Dixon Avenue Bridge Projects. Brian requested to the committee to advertise Rocket Lane and Marsha Lane in two weeks, with a bid opening on May 1st. Alderman Snow requested that road projects for 2009 be ready before April 1st 2009. Alderman Arduini requested that the committee discuss list. Alderman Kuhlemier agreed that to have a working list would be 	Various items were recommended.

	<p>a good idea, and suggested approving the presented list as a "working list". Alderman Kuhlemier moved that this list be adopted as the "Working list of the committee", Alderman Arduini seconded. Motion carried, with all aldermen agreeing. This list would be sent to the City Council to adopted.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Jim White handed out list of "cut-out" sections that the City Crews would work on. This list was: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Corner of Canary St & Quail Court ○ Corner of Cardinal St. & Meadowlark Lane ○ Martin Rd & Dixon Ave. ○ Corner Arland & Emmons ○ Division Street. ○ East 2nd Street West of Hydro Plant ○ 7th Ave Between W 2nd & W 5th ○ 7th Avenue Between W 5th & W 6th ○ In Front of 708 8th Avenue ○ In Front of 720 8th Avenue ○ West 19th at 3rd Avenue ○ Lindy Avenue at W 21st ○ 6th Avenue at West 11th ○ Urban Renewal W 13th W 14th 6th. 	
<p>3. New Business: a) Coloma Township Refund on Water Meter-Mr. Downey</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Ted Padilla, Water Superintendent reported on issue. Coloma Township requested a line run into their building and a meter installed but it was never used, but they were still charged. Committee discussed. Discussion was had that Coloma was possibly forced to install it. Alderman Arduini requested the refund be looked at. Mayor Blanton informed Alderman Arduini that the service was still connected to the system and Coloma still should be charged. Discussion of committee was had. Committee requested that Alderman Arduini investigate this issue and return to the committee with a report at their next meeting. 	<p>Alderman Arduini will report back to the committee.</p>
<p>3. New Business: b) ITEP 2008-Mr. Downey</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Mr. Downey reported briefly on IDOT transportation grant and then committee discussed. • Issue was tabled for lack of time before application was to be due. • Mayor informed committee that he would contact members of the committee to coordinate their efforts with the City. 	<p>No Action.</p>
<p>3. New Business c) Southbound Left Turn Signal (IL Route 40 & 2nd Street)-Mr. Downey</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Mr. Downey reported on request by local property owner for a southbound left turn signal. His property is currently unrented, and he believes that with this signal would improve his chances for renting it. • Committee discussed. Brian suggested having Engle, the contractor on the turn signal upgrade, examine future options and report back to the committee. Committee requested Brian please contact Engel to determine the capacity of the intersection. 	<p>Brian would report back as time allows.</p>

<p>4. Committee Member</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Diana DeBoard addressed the committee about 706 7th Avenue, concerning water run off into the home. Carpeting in the home had to be replaced. Jim White addressed committee that he would be trenching in front of the home to contain the run off of the street. Alderman Kuhlemier questioned about the National Guard being contacted, to ensure they were aware of the issue. Ms. DeBoard requested that the Street Department before they did any work please contact the resident, 815-625-4709. Ms. DeBoard was also advised that any damage would could be claimed against the City insurance, but it is unknown if it will be funded. • Alderman Snow reported that Alleyway cutting by Altano's, between Avenue A and 1st Avenue, and parking lot behind Ambulance garage is in very poor shape. Jim White said that the Street department is already looking at issue. Also between 1st and Avenue A, behind Pizza hut, and Hardees. • Alderman Reitzel asked for a report on lower dam. Bid would be advertised on April 24th with a bid opening on May 8th for the improvements. Brian estimated that the cost of this would be \$25,000 to \$35,000 and committee determined that this would be funded out of $\frac{1}{2}$ cent money. • Mayor Blanton requested info on lower dam parking lot could we get a price on doing that work? Brian suggested contacting Whiteside County to see if they would do the work on the lower dam. • Mayor Blanton wanted to know about how many people we were going to hire for summer help through the Street Department. Committee requested that the Street Department budget be adjusted for one more summer helper giving them 3 for the budget. • Mayor Blanton brought up the issue of clean-up at the PA site. His concern was that this project would exhaust the human resources of the City Street department. Mayor requested that all of the regular work be addressed by the Street department. Committee requested about getting a price on one or two semis to supplement workers to get PA site done with the Street Superintendent working on issue as best as could be. 	<p>A number of items were presented for action.</p>
<p>5. City Engineer-Mr. Frickenstein</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Nothing to report. 	<p>No action.</p>
<p>6. Street Department-Mr. White.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Nothing additional to add. 	<p>No action.</p>
<p>7. Water Department-Mr. Padilla</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Mr. Padilla requested doing work on the water system around the Reliant site, as there is a main pipe underneath the building. He would like to install two values on that main to isolate it in case of a breakage. • Mr. Padilla reported on the Fire Hydrants within the City. • Mr. Padilla reported on National Guard Project. Mayor reported that the National Guard is going forward with construction. Mayor has received a contract, one for water and one for sewer, 	<p>No Action.</p>

	<p>to complete the job of getting the water and sewer there. The contracts are currently at the City Attorney's office. Once the contract is signed then the City can start work on project.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Mr. Padilla reported that brass prices are frozen for the year, and our supplier is already suggesting brass will go up by 12%. Committee discussed potentially stock-piling of materials. 	
8. Wastewater Department-Mr. Cox	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Mayor reported that Sewer department is investigating sleeving the pipe underneath Reliant, as putting valves in would be impossible to do there. 	No action.
9. Review/Approve Minutes	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Minutes were presented to committee and accepted as presented. 	No action.
10 Adjournment	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Committee adjourned at 8:25pm. 	No action.

Richard Downey, Recorder, Rock Falls Public Works Committee