



City of Rock Falls

Public Works Committee Meeting

Minutes

Date: 05/01/08 Time Meeting Started: 6:30pm

Time Meeting Ended: 8:30pm

Members		Also Attended	
Alderman Arduini	A	Bob Gasper, Willett Hoffman & Associates.	P
Alderman Reitzel	P	Brian Frickenstein, Willett Hoffman & Assoc.	P
Alderman Thurm	A	Mayor Blanton	P
Alderman Kuhlemier	P	Ted Padilla, Water Superintendent	P
Alderman Snow	A	Ed Cox, Sewer Superintendent	P
		Jim White, Street Superintendent	P
		Karen Goss, issue at 514 13 th Avenue	P
		Deb Brusshaver, issue at 514 13 th Avenue	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 Department Land W. 19 th & 9 th Avenue	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Alderman Reitzel reported on information from Alderman Arduini regarding property, the lot is 157 feet by 257 feet. Committee discussed and requested to have property sent to public property committee, and direct the electric department or other department pole off the extents of the property. 	Water Superintendent will work with Electric director to put poles to block off land.
2. Old Business b) Coloma Township Refund on Water Meter	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Alderman Arduini reported via Alderman Reitzel information from Coloma Township. There was a discussion by committee regarding issue. Committee determined that there would be no reimbursement, and committee directed City Administrator to inform the Township about this issue. 	No reimbursement would be made to township.
3. New Business: a) 2009 Road Projects -W 2 nd St.- Mr. Downey	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> City Administrator requested information from committee on W 2nd Street, as this resurfacing project was put off to put in sewer pipe, currently W 2nd Street is not on rebuild project list. Committee discussed and decided to investigate putting it back on 5 year plan project. 	Investigate on placing road on 5 year plan.
3. New Business b) Trash Bag Bundle Splits-Mr. Downey	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> City Administrator talked to committee about having garbage bags for community clean-up projects. Mayor and committee requested where these locations would be. City Administrator will find out locations and get back to committee 	City Administrator would check back with requester and get back to committee.
3. New Business c) Turn Lane signage 3 rd St. & 1 st Avenue-Mr. Arduini	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Alderman Reitzel reported that Alderman Arduini was concerned about the striping at this intersection. Jim White reported that this intersection would be painted in first part of June. Committee briefly discussed, and decided no action would be 	No Action.

	required.	
4. Committee Member items	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Residents came in regarding high water bill at 514 13th Avenue. Their bill was for \$200+ of Water and \$200+ of Sewer charges. Committee discussed and after discussion requested that the customer pay the average of the last 6 months, and put the rest of the balance on hold until further study could be done. City Administrator would direct the billing department. Discussion was had on using Whiteside County Road department do some overlaying. Committee wanted to have the lower damn and Farmer's market to be submitted to Whiteside County Road department for review. 	Various items would be dealt with as advised.
5. City Engineer- Brian Frickenstein WHA/Bob Gasper, WHA a) Bid Opening Report on 2008 Road Projects-Mr. Frickenstein.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Brian reported on projects for 2008 which came in very low. He recommended finishing off Marsha Lane. Also he suggested having the contractor on Rocket Drive do the grinding. Committee if they approved this work would be well under the estimated price and would come in around \$150,000. Brian also reported on Dixon Avenue bridge. IDOT threw a curve-ball at City for project. Someone at another department in IDOT believes that City has to do additional study on marked detour if the City is going to use that for that project, as all of the traffic going down marked detour might cause problems on Melvin Road. This would have to be studied, and June 13 letting date would be moved back. Committee discussed and requested that Brian not do marked detour on projects. Brian also reported on "prequalification" for projects, according to IDOT specification. Does the committee want to make all bidders be "IDOT prequalified"? Committee discussed and determined that currently they would not require street contractors to be "IDOT prequalified". 	Issues would be completed as directed.
5. City Engineer- Brian Frickenstein WHA/Bob Gasper, WHA b) Update-Treatment Plant Project.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Bob Gasper reported on treatment plant process. The City is still working on the plans with the IEPA. 	Committee thanked Bob for the update.
5. City Engineer- Brian Frickenstein WHA/Bob Gasper, WHA-c) PA & Reliant Subdivision requirements of Water, Sewer & Street -Mr. Gasper	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Bob requested meeting with department heads on getting the infrastructure at the PA & Reliant sites. Department heads will work with Bob on this issue. Additionally the Plat has 50 foot road right of ways, this has to be changed to 66 foot right of way. City Administrator will contact Mr. Holt with Norwest Surveying services regarding issues. Also easements will have to be shown for the existing Water & Sewer lines. 	Items would be dealt with regarding according to committee.
6. Wastewater Department-Mr. Cox	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Sewer Superintendent reported on vactor, it will be going in for repairs. Sewer Superintendent reported on Peska issue regarding sewer issue and he advised the committee that this issue would be 	No action.

	going to City Attorney's office.	
7. Street Department-Mr. White	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Jim reported on question presented by Eric Arduini. He is wondering about the curb and the street down by the Hydro plant on E. 2nd Street. • Jim also reported that the cement barriers would be \$50 a piece, and would 6 barriers would be purchased to deter traffic driving through the PA site. These barriers would be placed and then tape would be placed on them. • At 405 E 10th Street, Mayor reported that there was an issue on their sidewalks. 	No action.
8. Water Department-Mr. Padilla a) Purchas Trailer for Hydra Stop equipment.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Water Superintendent requested that Water Department purchase a 6 by 10' trailer. Two prices were obtained \$2540 or \$2570. Item would be sent to the City Administrator for approval. 	No action.
8. Water Department-Mr. Padilla b) 713 9 th Avenue Orangeburg issue.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Mr. Padilla reported issue about their crew finding orangeburg while installing a new water service line, which now needs to be replaced. One option would be to dig, and one would be allowed to lining of the orangeburg. Prices would be collected and work would be done and submitted to the City's insurance. 	No action.
8. Water Department-c) 208 E. 6 th Street High Bill Issue.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • In January of 2007 the radio on the water meter was not sending out a signal, and this bill was estimated for a year and half and during that time a water break occurred. Committee decided to waive the number of units billed. 	Waiver of Water bill was recommended.
9. Review-Approve Minutes of Meetings	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Minutes and actions will be approved at the next meeting. 	No action.

Richard Downey, Recorder, Rock Falls Public Works Committee