



# City of Rock Falls

## Public Works Committee Meeting

### Minutes

Date: 08/06/09 Time Meeting Started: 6:30pm

Time Meeting Ended: 8:35pm

Members		Also Attended	
Alderman Reitzel (chairperson)	P	Mayor Blanton	P
Alderman Snow	P	Jim Prescott, Owner of 1118 1 <sup>st</sup> Ave.	P
Alderman Thurm	P	Peter Prescott, Owner of 1118 1 <sup>st</sup> Ave.	P
Alderman Reitzel	P	Jim White, Street Superintendent	P
Alderman Schuneman	P	Brian Frickenstein, Willett Hoffman & Assoc.	P
<b>Also Attended</b>		Ed Cox, Sewer Superintendent	P
Joe Bustos, Sauk Valley Newspapers	P	Robert Gasper, Willett Hoffman & Assoc.	P
Dick Tessman, Tessman Contractors	P	Bill Wescott, City Clerk	P
	P	Richard Downey, City Administrator	P
P-Present A-Absent			

Ordinance/Topic	Discussion	Plan of Action
1. Call to Order @	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Committee called to order at</li> </ul>	No action.
2. Audience Requests-Jim Prescott	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Peter Prescott presented information to the committee regarding two issues regarding property on 1<sup>st</sup> Ave. One issue was to do with drainage at the property west of the building. Committee discussed this issue and informed after a records search that the "alley" in question was actually owned by Mr. &amp; Mrs. Prescott.</li> <li>The second issue was regarding a sewer backup at the same property. The issue was submitted to the City's insurance, and the City's insurance denied the claim. Mr. Prescott requested that although the City's insurance denied the claim that the city pay for damages to the property. Committee discussed. Committee declined any action. Mr. Prescott said he would review the issue with the City's insurance.</li> <li>Dick Tessman discussed the status of W 3<sup>rd</sup> Street and the progress. Committee discussed. Brian Frickenstein reported that Mr. Tessman installed an additional 600-700 tons of rock on the project. Mr. Tessman reported issue to committee, that there was no base below the concrete, and the road was excavated to the engineer's specifications. Due to the base being "mushy" and Mr. Tessman had numerous soft spots on the road, which caused additional rock to be installed, which would cost an additional \$10,000.</li> </ul>	<p>No action on Mr. Prescott's issues.</p> <p>Committee requested that the issue with Mr. Tessman be tabled until the next meeting.</p>
2. Audience Request-Steven Schick Jr.-High Re-hook and security	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Item was reviewed by committee with no action.</li> </ul>	No action.

deposit fees		
3. City Engineer; Brian Frickenstein a) Orangeberg Sewer Pipe-7th Avenue	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Mr. Cox reported that there is likely orangeberg on 7<sup>th</sup> Avenue. During the resurfacing project, Mr. Cox would like to know if the committee would like to have all new PVC installed from the main to the property line while the reconstruction of the street. Committee discussed and discussed, and discussed some more. Oh yes it was discussed in a length of time that rivaled some discussions that have been done in this auspicious chamber.</li> </ul>	Committee took no action on issue but tabled issue until next meeting.
3. City Engineer; Brian Frickenstein b) 2010 Street Projects	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Brian presented committee with numerous costs for potential projects for the 2010 year. Committee discussed issues regarding crack filing and other issues. Alderman Reiztel questioned Mr. White about crack sealer order, as he had thought that order was made some time ago.</li> </ul>	Issue would be tabled.
3. City Engineer; Brian Frickenstein c) Cityworks GIS based asset Maintenance Mgt. System.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Brian reported on software, and after discussion Brain recommended not going with Micropaver, but suggested that Cityworks might be something the City would be interested in.</li> <li>Committee requested that the company be contacted by the GIS administrator and request a demonstration or a suggestion of a system that would do something that this software completes.</li> </ul>	Committee directed City Administrator to speak to GIS administrator for suggestions.
4. Committee Member Items.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Mr. Cox &amp; Mr. Gasper reported on issue at 5<sup>th</sup> Avenue and 10<sup>th</sup> Street regarding a NICOR gas main and storm sewer system, with the natural gas main sitting directly below the storm sewer system with a direct connection. The gas line is a large transportation line, and hence NICOR is requesting the City to make adjustments to this issue. Mr. Cox and Mr. Gasper requested to have a contract sent out to three contractors for bids to adjust the storm sewer system.</li> <li>Mr. Cox reported on backwash water being forgiven by the Sewer department if the Water department forgives the costs incurred from the supplementary meter at the sewer plant. Committee discussed. Committee determined that as the costs for each of these were probably equal they would allow the sewer department not to charge for the backwash water from the water department if the water department didn't charge for the supplementary meter reading at the sewer plant.</li> <li>Alderman Kuhlemier reported that US Bank might be resurfacing their parking lot, when they do they might look to resurface the alley as well. When they do they will send a cost estimate and committee agreed to look at it.</li> </ul>	Committee approved to have issue posted for bids, and approved the backwash issue as was presented. This item would be sent to City Council for approval.
5. Wastewater-Mr. Cox a) IEPA Loan Contracts 1 & 2-Mr. Gasper	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Mr. Gasper reported on the loan that the City took from the IEPA and reported on Total Ineligible Costs equaling \$600,157 in the construction side of the project. The engineering costs for this work were not presented. Committee discussed. Committee determined that they would approve the water line extension down Clearwater Road but only extend the Waste Water line half-way down the Road, as it will not service many customers, going half-way will allow the trailer park to connect</li> </ul>	Committee declined any action.

	to the sewer system.	
5. Wastewater-Mr. Cox b) Contract #3 Fencing/Generators at Lift Stations - Mr. Gasper	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Mr. Gasper requested committee approval for a third contract to install security fencing and emergency generators at various lift stations. This request would be for the design, construction and IEPA load documentation services listed as \$180,000.</li> </ul>	Committee approved this issue to the City Council for approval.
5. Wastewater-Mr. Cox c) Lift Station Repairs/Upgrades @ Dog Pound - Mr. Gasper	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Bob Gasper reported on this issue. Ed Cox also reported on this issue. The "Dog Pound" lift station was built in the 1970's and services the east side of the canal residences. Ed requested having Willett &amp; Hoffman design an upgrade to the station this winter and having the City Council approve a contract for engineering. No cost was submitted at this time. The total upgrade of the lift station is roughly \$300,000.</li> </ul>	Committee approved this issue to the City Council for approval.
5. Wastewater-Mr. Cox d) Garfield Storm water	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Mr. Cox reported on issue on Garfield that was response to an inquiry by Alderman Hand. There is no real storm system installed on the street, but actually dumps into a farm field. Water is ponding at the end of the street, due to the poor design of the street. Mr. Cox reported that Alderman Hand requested the sewer department to vector out the area. Committee discussed, and after a lengthy discussion, thanked Alderman Hand and asked to tell him that issue would be taken under advisement. As time and funding would allow, they would see if they could address this issue.</li> </ul>	No action.
6. Water Mr. Padilla-a) Proposed Location Well #6/Coloma Park District Easement - Mr. Padilla/Mr. Gasper	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Mr. Gasper reported on the location of a proposed new well location on park district property, which would be away from the soccer fields, requiring a 25' construction easement, and a then a permanent 15' easement. The cost of the new well will be \$600,000, the cost for this would be able to covered under the current rates with a payment of \$87,500 a year. Committee discussed.</li> </ul>	No action.
7. Street Department-Mr. White	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Mr. White reported on the street department activities. They have crack filling materials ordered. The department has been filing holes in the downtown and cleaning for Ampalooza, the concert downtown.</li> <li>The total patcher is supposed to here in a couple of weeks.</li> <li>The Mayor requested some information on a "hot patch" buggy, Mr. White reported that the current buggy is done, and will need to be replaced for next year. Mr. White is working on getting some prices for the new machine.</li> <li>Alderman Snow requested status of the summer helpers. Jim gave a short report on their usage.</li> <li>Alderman Reitzel reported that there is a hole on 8<sup>th</sup> Avenue that needs to be addressed, and that the end of 8<sup>th</sup> Avenue needs to be attended to by the City crews. Committee discussed.</li> </ul>	

8. Review/Approve Minutes	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Committee reviewed minutes and approved them as presented.</li></ul>	Minutes were approved as presented.
9. Adjournment	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Meeting was adjourned at 8:35pm.</li></ul>	Meeting was adjourned at 8:35pm.

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Richard Downey, Recorder, Rock Falls Public Works Committee