



City of Rock Falls

Public Works Committee Meeting

Minutes

Date: 12/03/09 Time Meeting Started: 6:30 pm

Time Meeting Ended: 8:20pm

Members		Also Attended	
Alderman Reitzel (Chairperson)	P	Mayor Blanton	P
Alderman Thurm	P	Brian Frickenstein, Willett Hoffman & Assoc.	P
Alderman Kuhlemier	P	Alderman Schuneman	P
Alderman Snow	A	Ed Cox, Sewer Superintendent	P
Alderman Vandersnick	A	Ted Padilla, Water Superintendent	P
		Bill Wescott	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. New Business: a) Status of Street Supt.-Finance Committee Recommendation	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> City Administrator reported that the Finance Committee recommended to the Personnel Committee to not fill the Street Superintendent position at this time. Committee thanked City Administrator for report. 	No action.
2. New Business b) Financial Consideration 2010	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> City Administrator reported on financial status of the city. City is currently facing a financial downturn, and committee should be aware of this issue. 	No action.
3. City Engineer- Mr. Frickenstein a) 12 th Avenue ARRA project	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Brian Frickenstein reported that January 15th for 12th Avenue ARRA Project. City could be looking according the engineering estimates at anywhere from \$125,000 to \$160,000 for their share. As the project is adjacent to the High School Brian said that IDOT will probably recommend to have the project not begun until school is out. Once the bids come in, Brian will report to the committee. Brian reported that new legislation will allow trucks of 80,000 pounds to travel on any city roads. Because of radius of corners these trucks will find it difficult to traverse local city roads. 	Mr. Frickenstein reported on project, and committee thanked him for report.
3. City Engineer b) 2010 MFT General Maintenance Project	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Brian reported on the 2010 general maintenance. \$123,500 would be estimated costs for the year. This cost was "right about the same as last year". Committee discussed. Committee accepted amount as presented. 	Committee recommended to City Council for adoption of resolution for MFT expenses in the amount of \$123,500.

<p>4. Committee Member Items.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Ted Padilla requested clarification on ADA street work. Does the Committee wish to have the $\frac{1}{2}$ cent fund pick up the rest of the cost beyond what the Water Department? Committee discussed and requested that Brian contact Whiteside County to get prices. • Bill Wescott reported from 8-9am and 10-11am on December 16th that there will be IMLRMA will come out for snow plow training at the electric department. City Clerk reported a supplemental day would be scheduled if necessary. • Alderman Reitzel requested a status reported on the sidewalk program. City Administrator reported on status of projects. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Brian will contact the County for overlay prices on Ada Street. • Committee thanked City Clerk for seeing to Plowing training. • Sidewalk program would be placed on next agenda with the current sidewalk list placed in the committee's packet.
<p>5. Wastewater-Mr. Cox.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Mr. Cox reported on sewer plant progress. Mayor received a tour of the project, and project is moving forward. • Alderman Reitzel questioned curb work behind Smelter's Insurance, Mr. Cox reported that this is a NICOR dig. • Mr. Cox reported that work south of Industrial Park is the State of Illinois project, and the dewatering will continue for some time. • Mr. Cox reported that they are done with their outside work. 	<p>No action.</p>
<p>6. Water-Mr. Padilla a) Unfinished Business-Radio map Presentation.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Ted presented the map of the radio system. Everything in pink on the map is what is done. Estimates are no longer being done. Meter reader has gone from 5 days a week to 3 days a week. 	<p>Committee thanked Ted for report.</p>
<p>6. Water-Mr. Padilla b) Update on Filter #3 repairs</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Ted reported that Filter # 3 project will be pushed out a week as some parts needed to complete the job were unavailable. Filter will be available probably in 3 weeks. 	<p>Committee thanked Ted for report.</p>
<p>7. Street-Mr. Downey</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • City Administrator reported that the Street department will be sweeping streets. • City Administrator requested direction for road patching, using either cold patch or utilizing patching machine. Committee recommended that cold patch work be abandoned and that oil be examined for patching machine. 	<p>City Administrator received direction for department and will work with staff in department on issue.</p>

8. Review/Approve Minutes	<ul style="list-style-type: none">Minutes were approved as presented.	Minutes were approved as presented.
9. Adjournment.	<ul style="list-style-type: none">Meeting was adjourned at 8:20pm	Meeting adjourned at 8:20pm.

Richard Downey, Recorder, Rock Falls Public Works Committee