



City of Rock Falls

Public Works Committee Meeting

Minutes

Date: 02/05/09

Time Meeting Started: 6:30pm

Time Meeting Ended: 8:15pm

Members		Also Attended	
Alderman Arduini (chairperson)	P	Mayor Blanton	P
Alderman Snow	P	Brian Frickenstein, Willett Hoffman & Assoc.	P
Alderman Reitzel	P	Robert Warren, Owner of 772 8 th Ave	P
Alderman Kuhlemier	P	Bob Gasper, Willett Hoffman & Assoc.	P
Alderman Thurm	P	Arlyn Folkers, Hopkins Township	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. Approve Minutes of January 8, 2009 meeting	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Meeting minutes were approved at previous meeting. 	No action.
3. High Water Bill- Mr. Robert Warren, 772 8 th Avenue Rock Falls	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Mr. Warren addressed committee regarding his utility bill. There was a leak at the home and the water usage was 280 units. Committee discussed. Committee determined to remove \$761.75, and would reduce the plant improvement 91.41 or a total of \$853.16 and a reduction of the penalty on the water sewer and garbage. 	Item would be sent to the Utility office for adjustment.
4. Old Business: a) Tar & Chipping Roads -Arlyn Folkers, Hopkins Twp. Hywy. Comm.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Committee welcomed Mr. Folkers and thanked him for attending the committee's meeting. Mr. Folkers explained the spray in machine to committee. Mr. Folkers suggested getting a tank for the system. Committee discussed about hauling of oil. Committee requested that Mr. Folkers get the committee a cost per hour and he own all of the equipment. Mr. Folkers reported that the machine and the oil wouldn't be available until late May. 	Mr. Folkers would return at the next meeting with an intergovernmental agreement for usage of the machine.
5. New Business: a) Discussion, East 2 nd Street near Hydro Plant -Mayor Blanton	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Mayor requested an update of the East 2nd portion that seems to be falling into the river. Brian suggested replacing the curb and gutter at the site, cut out the portion that has settled, and put a bituminous cap on it. Brian reported that Dick Tessman and another contractor both were going to get him a price on repairs. 	Brian will bring back prices for next meeting to committee.
5. New Business b) Discussion; Arland Street-Mayor Blanton	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Mayor requested about relieving water at corner of Arland and Emmons. Committee discussed putting a pipe across Emmons road to relieve the issue there. Committee directed the item to be researched and brought back to committee. 	Item would be placed on next agenda for action.

<p>6. City Engineer; Brian Frickenstein a) Update of West 3rd Street Project</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Brian handed out information on pricing for project. The cost estimate was broken out 3 ways. From 1st Avenue to 5th Avenue \$517,281. 1st Avenue to 2nd Avenue Only, \$156,970.30, 2nd Avenue to 5th Avenue \$360,811.25. City Administrator reported that the current income on the $\frac{1}{2}$ cent money was \$353,498.20 as of the end of January. Committee discussed about work, and committee requested that bids be submitted for road work from 2nd avenue to 5th avenue. • Committee discussed still using \$60,000 for sidewalk repairs in the draft budget. 	<p>City Engineer would send that out to bid and have bids opened at the 3rd week of March.</p>
<p>6. City Engineer; Brian Frickenstein b) Route 30 Truck Route</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Mayor reported that Route 30 through the City would be designated here shortly. 	<p>Item would be reported to committee once issue was resolved.</p>
<p>7. Committee Member Items</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Mr. Padilla reported on Terry Helt issue at the trailer park. His park had a leak and he would like some compensation. The water did pass through the meter and hence committee declined any action. • City Administrator reported on issue of replacement employee in the Sewer department and recommended leaving that position open until further notice. • Mayor reported on East 24th Street storm sewer. There could be a potential additional cost of roughly \$10,000 on this project. • Bob Gasper reported on Sewer plant project. 	<p>Committee declined action on the Helt issue. Committee agreed to examine sewer position. Committee thanked Mayor for info & Bob Gasper.</p>
<p>8. Wastewater - Mr. Cox a) Back Wash Charges</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Committee tabled issued as Mr. Cox was absent. 	<p>Item would be tabled until next meeting.</p>
<p>9. Water - Mr. Padilla a) Purchase of Laptop Computer</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Ted reported that the committee will be purchasing a laptop for the groundwater committee. The committee has about \$3000. Committee concurred and thanked Ted for his commitment to this project. 	<p>City Administrator will work with Water Superintendent about getting a laptop with PowerPoint.</p>
<p>10. Street - Mr. White</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Jim is getting measurements on seal coating for the 2009 year. • Jim is also researching the compact car parking sign costs, and distances. • Jim also reported that they are working on blacktop repairs this week. • Jim also reported that new plow truck is now ready for plowing. • Alderman Snow requested a report on the street sweeper. Jim reported that he would begin getting the sweeper ready for Spring, he also requested that the Street department focus on getting the Street Sweeper once a week in each ward. 	<p>Committee thanked Jim for the report.</p>
<p>11. Review/Approve Minutes</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Committee reviewed and accepted minutes as presented. 	<p>Minutes accepted as presented.</p>
<p>12. Adjournment.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Committee adjourned at 8:15pm 	<p>Committee adjourned.</p>

Richard Downey, Recorder, Rock Falls Public Works Committee