



City of Rock Falls

Ordinance Committee Meeting Minutes

Date: 01/28/10 Time Meeting Started: 6:00 pm Time Meeting Ended:

Members		Also Attended	
Alderman Vandersnick (chairperson)	P	Bill Wescott, City Clerk	P
Alderman Snow	P	Alderman Schuneman	P
Alderman Folsom	A	Mike Kuelper, Police Chief	P
Alderman Hand	A	Mark Searing, Building Inspector	P
Alderman Thurm	P	Alderman Reitzel	P
		Richard Downey, City Administrator	P
P-Present A-Absent			

Ordinance/Topic	Discussion	Plan of Action
1. Call to Order @ 6:00pm	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Committee called to order at 6:00pm 	No action.
2. New Business: a) Administrative Court System Review	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Building Inspector, Police Chief and City Administrator reported on system. There is a building module, local ordinance module and parking module. The Committee agreed that the court system should pay a percentage of the income and a lower flat fee for court usage. Committee discussed. Committee felt that project is moving forward, and was ready to receive any additional information as it came to light. 	No action.
2. New Business b) Permit Parking - W 2 nd St. 1300 Block	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Mark Searing reported on issue. Health department has been slowly removing their parking as they are renovating. There is a concern from the local neighbors on driveways being blocked. Request was made for local resident parking on W. 2nd street in the 1300 block. Committee discussed. Police Chief reported that you will have to post signs to designate this area as permit parking only. Police Chief expressed a concern if the permit parking was installed, that all of the parking would disappear in this area. Building Inspector also expressed that it is not just parking but the persons going inside clinic for 5 minutes, which wait in the driveways at clinic. Alderman Vandersnick requested committee to allow permit parking, committee discussed. Police Chief requested that committee not allow permits. Committee discussed how far to go down west 2nd street. Committee recommended having permit parking all the way down on south side of W 2nd, then all the way down to 14th on Northwest turn, no parking. 	Issue would be sent to city council for adoption of ordinance.
2. New Business c) Parking concerns- East side of 8 th Avenue	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Committee discussed about people picking up children at Dillon School and residents on Canal Street concerned about parking on 8th avenue. Committee discussed about making no parking areas during school hours. After a short discussion committee took no action on issue at this time. 	No action.

2. New Business d) Parking in Alleys - W. 2 nd Street	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Police Chief reported on West 2nd street alley parking. Committee discussed about parking in alley. Committee determined that they would enforce current no parking in alley with no changes. 	No action.
2. New Business e) Section 9-457, Snow Emergency parking	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Police Chief reported on adjusting downtown snow emergency for snow removal, removing the "corn row" areas. A map was presented, with shrinking the snow removal areas. Committee agreed. 	Committee directed ordinance to be adjusted.
2. New Business f) Handicapped Parking 9 th Avenue	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Police Chief reported on Cedar Woods apartments for requests of handicapped parking stalls, one south of Route 30 and one north of Cedar Woods apartment driveways. Committee requested a handicapped parking stall half-way between driveway and route 30. Committee requested ordinance be drafted, and Street department be informed to paint and post sign for spot. 	Ordinance will be drafted for addition of handicapped parking spot.
2. New Business g) Downtown Parking Request	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Committee took no action on issue. 	No action.
2. New Business h) Request for Change in Liquor Licensing	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Mayor reported on issue, the state has changed the state law regarding getting a liquor license if you have a DUI, state has changed law to disallow people with felony convictions only. Under Section 8-287, Mayor requested to insert "Felony" before the word violation in number 13. Committee discussed. Committee requested "3 or more" be inserted between convicted and violation(s). 	Ordinance will be changed and sent to the City Council for action.
3. Committee Member items	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Alderman Vandersnick reported on complaint on parking for health department, there is not enough space from snow plowing. City Administrator requested Building inspector, who lives in area to speak to Street department about moving some snow around. Mayor reported on different rates for building department permits. Committee requested to have item on next meeting agenda. City administrator reported on temporary sign permit ordinance and reported that there are currently 12 signs without permits. Committee thanked City Administrator for report. 	NO ACTION.
4. Review/Approve Minutes	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Committee reviewed and approved minutes as presented. 	Minutes were approved as presented.
5. Adjournment	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Meeting was adjourned at 6:52pm. 	Meeting adjourned at 6:52pm.