



City of Rock Falls

Ordinance Committee Meeting Minutes

Date: 04/22/10 Time Meeting Started: 6:00pm

Time Meeting Ended: 7:15pm

Members		Also Attended	
Alderman Vandersnick (chairperson)	P	Mayor Blanton	P
Alderman Thurm	P		
Alderman Snow	A		
Alderman Hand	A		
Alderman Folsom	A	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. Old Business: a) Prairie Grass- Mr. Searing	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> As this issue is in litigation chairperson requested item to be tabled until litigation is over. Chairperson requested item be removed from agenda until further notice. 	Item was tabled.
2. Old Business: b) Wind Tower/Farm Ordinance - Mr. Searing	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Mr. Searing reported that item would be sent to the Planning & Zoning Committee for creation of ordinance and referred back to committee. Chairperson requested that item be removed from agenda until further notice. 	Item to be removed from agenda.
2. Old Business: c) Temporary Sign Ordinance - Mr. Searing	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Mr. Searing reported on status of temporary signs and provided a suggested ordinance to committee. Committee discussed the usage, and how many permits would be allowed per year. A fee of \$25 per month would be charged, someone would only be able to get 3 per year. For charitable organizations they would not be charged the permit fee but would only be allowed to have 3 a year. Signs would not be allowed in Residential zoned areas. 	Issue would be sent to City Attorney for review and then sent to city council for adoption.
2. Old Business: d) Storage Containers - Mr. Searing	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Building Inspector requested item to be tabled. 	Item was tabled.
2. Old Business: e) Outdoor Sales & Seating - Mayor Blanton	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Committee reviewed information as presented by Mayor. After a short discussion Mayor requested that committee table item until the next month. 	Item was tabled.
3. New Business a) Discuss possible changes to Liquor license- Mayor Blanton	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Item would be tabled with Outdoor Sales item as mentioned above. 	Item was tabled.
3. New Business b) Fences - Corner Lots - side yard setbacks - Mr. Searing.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Building Inspector presented information to committee about issues that arise when a fence is in a front yard on a corner lot. After a discussion committee declined action. Building Inspector presented additional information on 6 foot fences, and after a lengthy discussion committee requested that 	Item would be drafted into ordinance for an 8 foot fence allowable in M

	in M zones, that an 8 foot fences would be allowed.	zoning.
3. New Business c) Permits fees for Occupational Permits (Home Day Care Centers) - Mr. Searing.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Building Inspector presented information on Day Care centers not conforming to home occupation ordinance. Building Inspector suggested about adopting an occupation permit for Day Care Centers so that the police and fire departments know where they are. City Administrator reported that Day Care Center is currently not covered in the zoning code. Committee discussed and requested item to be tabled and information to be brought back to committee. 	Item would be tabled.
3. New Business d) Discussion: Div 4 Public Garages Section 8-671. Definition Mr. Searing	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Building Inspector presented information on public car washes, and committee would not consider that these would be considered public garages and required to be permitted. 	Committee declined action.
4. Committee Member Items	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> No items were presented. 	No items were presented.
5. Review/Approve Minutes	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Committee reviewed and approved minutes as presented. 	Minutes were presented and accepted as presented.
6. Adjournment.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Meeting was adjourned at 7:17pm. 	Meeting adjourned at 7:17pm.

Richard Downey, Recorder, Rock Falls Ordinance/License Committee