



City of Rock Falls

Ordinance Committee Meeting Minutes

Date: 08/26/10 Time Meeting Started: 6:00 pm

Time Meeting Ended: 7:00pm

Members		Also Attended	
Alderman Vandersnick (Chairperson)	P	Mayor Blanton	P
Alderman Snow	P	Mark Searing, Building Inspector	P
Alderman Thurm	P	Bill Wescott, City Clerk	P
		Pam Monte, Owner of 200 6 th Ave	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. Citizen Request: Lind & Pam Month, 200 6 th Avenue to address committee in regards to fence ordinance regarding setback	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Ms. Monte addressed the committee and requested to change the corner lot fencing ordinance to allow her to put a corner lot fence closer to the street, 2nd Street than allowed by ordinance. Committee discussed allowing her to put a 4 foot fence perhaps a foot or two off the sidewalk. After a lengthy discussion, committee decided to table the issue until the Building Inspector could research issue. 	Issue was tabled until next meeting.
3. Old Business: a) Section 16-306, Storage containers - Prohibited	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Report from the building code committee, they would suggest that storage containers in town be completely disallowed. Committee discussed and this would effect only storage containers being completely disallowed save for M-1 and M-2 zoning, except in the case of temporary storage pod containers which would be allowed for 30 days in any zone. Committee accepted changes and suggested to be sent to City Attorney for drafting and adoption. 	Item was passed by committee and would be sent to city attorney for drafting and city council for adoption.
4. New Business: a) Review and recommended fines for the new Administrative Adjudication System.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Building Inspector presented information regarding numerous changes to fines as suggested by the Administrative Adjudication System discussion. The following suggestions were made <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ 1-7 (1), (2), (3) General Penalty \$75.00 min. max \$750.00 ○ 5-140 (B) ADA \$75.00 min. max \$750.00 ○ 5-166 (A) Electric code \$75.00 min. max \$750.00 ○ 5-22 1 A (4) Mechanical code \$75.00 min. max \$750.00 ○ 5-221 A (5) Mechanical code \$100.00 min max \$750.00 ○ 15-704 Outdoor wood furnace \$75.00 min. max \$750.00 ○ 5-504 Back Flow preventer Commercial \$75.00 min. max \$750.00 per day, Industrial min. \$100.00 max. \$750.00 ○ 15-33 Tampering with water meters \$75.00 min. max 750.00 	Items were approved as presented.

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ 15-51 (E) Water meter bypass \$75.00 min. max \$750.00 ○ 15-54 Use of water service required \$100.00 min. max. 750.00 ○ 15-163.5 (B) Unlawful connection to storm water drain \$75.00 min. max \$750.00 ○ 5-291 (B) International Property Maintenance Code \$75.00 min. max \$750.00 per day ○ 15-204 (B) Sewage \$100.00 min. \$750.00 max ○ 15-275 (D) Dumping contents of private septic systems 1st offence \$100.00 min max. \$750.00, 2nd. Offence \$250.00 min max. 750.00 ○ 5-310 (4) Fuel gas code \$75.00 min. max \$750.00 ○ 5-269 (b) Min. housing misdemeanor ○ 16-324 Zoning \$75.00 min. max \$750.00 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Committee approved the above ordinance changes as well as the suggested ordinances presented from the Police Department (see Attachment #1) and approved them as presented. ● Building Inspector requested that all of the code fines be listed as a single reserve section that lists just the fines. The Committee approved this issue and approved the changes as presented. 	
4. New Business b) Next Meeting Date (IML Conference)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Next Meeting would be rescheduled for September 30th. 	Meeting will be rescheduled to September 30 th .
5. Committee Member items	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Mayor presented information regarding cats at large. Currently there is an ordinance for cats at large. Mayor questioned if the city should be doing something about it as he has been approached by citizens who have concerns. Committee requested that Mayor review animal control contract. ● Alderman Vandersnick requested that the Police Department review the stop signs at West 7th and Grace Avenue. Police department would be directed to review yield and stop sign placement, and work closely with the street department to match any ordinances. 	
6. Review Minutes as presented	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Minutes were approved as presented. 	Minutes approved as presented.
7. Adjournment	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Meeting adjourned at 7pm. 	Meeting adjourned at 7pm.