

City of Rock Falls Public Works Committee Meeting Minutes

Date: 04/01/10 Time Meeting Started: 6:30 pm Time Meeting Ended:8:25pm

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Members		Also Attended	
Alderman Reitzel (chairperson)	Р	Brian Frickenstein, Willett Hoffman &	Р
		Assoc.	
Alderman Snow	Р	Bob Gasper, Willett Hoffman & Assoc.	Р
Alderman Kuhlemier	Р	Ted Padilla, Water & Street	Р
		Superintendent	
Alderman Thurm		Richard Downey, City Administrator	Р
	P-Present A-	Absent	•

Ordinance/Topic	Discussion	Plan of Action
1. Call to Order @ 6:30pm	Committee called to order at 6:30pm	No action.
2. Approve Minutes of March 4, 2010	Minutes of the March 4 th meeting were reviewed and approved.	Minutes were approved as presented.
3. City Engineers Report-Mr. Frickenstein & Mr. Gasper a). Report on 9 th Avenue Water Tower	• Mr. Gasper presented some information on green water tower regarding concrete at the base scaling away. Mr. Gasper reported that he had run into the same situation in Dixon, and that they had contracted to repair tower. The concrete that is exposed is the area that is a problem. The repairs cost roughly \$10,000 to do on the Dixon project. Bob suggested going out to get some cost estimates for repairs and when they come in he would present the information to the committee or the city council depending on when the cost estimates come in. Committee discussed the issue with Ted. Alderman Snow asked if there was anything that could be done with the other tower to prevent this issue. Bob and Brian both felt that after 50 years you will run into this issue. Bob suggested that repairs could occur anytime this summer, the tower is not in danger of falling over. Bob requested contacting a local contractor to meet at tower and then bring back info. Committee concurred and thanked Bob.	Mr. Gasper will research project and get back to committee.
3. City Engineers Report-Mr. Frickenstein & Mr. Gasper b) Update on WWTP	 Mr. Gasper reported on project. The project is changing day by day as the construction has been experiencing good weather. The Force main is installed all the way to the football field. The contractor is in good position to get done by April 15th to get the entire pipe into the field. Bob encouraged anyone that wants to go out to the site, to please contact his office for a visit. Bob will try and attend the monthly Public Works meetings. Mr. Gasper also reported that Riverside Mobile Home Park is moving forward to get connected to the water system. Mr. DeHon is currently working on water extension to the city. 	Committee thanked Mr. Gasper for the info.

4. New Business a) Illinois Public Works Mutual Aid Agreement (IPWMAN)	 Mr. Downey reported that issue would be taken to City Council for final action, this issue was already addressed by the committee. 	Item would be presented to the City Council for action.
4. New Business b) Concrete Contract 2010-Mr. Downey	 Mr. Downey reported that Mr. Ivy with AAA Concrete, has requested that the City of Rock Falls extend his concrete work contract for an additional year. Committee requested that City Attorney review issue and if possible then they would recommend the contract would be extended for one year if not three years as Mr. Ivy has offered excellent prices to the City. 	Item would be sent to City Attorney for review.
4. Review Utility Deposits Policy (Electric Committee Minutes)	Committee reviewed deposits as presented and approved to refund them as presented.	Refunds would be sent out as presented.
4. New Business: d) Billing inquiry -Mr. Sam Akita	 Mr. Downey presented information regarding Mr. Akita's bill. Committee reviewed information and because the previous month's bill were placed on an agreement with no problem they determined that Mr. Akita would be liable for the bill. 	Utility office would be informed as would Mr. Akita.
5. Wastewater – Mr. Cox. a) Request to purchase new Sewer Line Camera & Transported	 Mr. Downey reported that sewer department would like to purchase to replace previous camera. The Cost for the replacement camera would be \$40,000. Committee discussed, and would like to request that Mr. Cox please be in attendance at every Public Works Committee meeting, and they recommended item to City Council for final action. 	Item would be placed on City Council agenda for action.
6. Water-Mr. Padilla a) Purchase of F-350 Utility Truck	 Mr. Padilla requested purchasing F-350 utility truck, he presented a price from Reynolds Ford. Committee discussed and requested that Mr. Padilla request a price from Sterling Ford, as they are the local office. Mr. Padilla will request price, and then bring to City Council for action. 	Mr. Padilla will get another price from Sterling Ford and then inform City Clerk to place on City Council agenda when he has costs.
6. Water - Mr. Padilla b) Update Well #4	 Mr. Padilla reported on Well #4. Well is getting clogged and Layne Western would be doing well clearing work in the next coming weeks. 	No action.
6. Water-Mr. Padilla c) Avenue B from E. 2 nd St.	 Mr. Padilla reported on E. 2nd Street water project. 	
7. Street - Mr. Padilla a) Sidewalk Program.	 Mr. Padilla reported on sidewalk program for coming year. He presented a list of sidewalk repairs. Committee reviewed and thanked Mr. Padilla for list. Committee reviewed list and approved the list to be done for this year. All of the Alderman would be encouraged to submit their additional repair requests to Ted to be added to the sidewalk list on a first come first serve basis. Mr. Padilla requested direction on repairs to driveway 	Sidewalk list was approved as presented. Alderman would be encouraged to submit sidewalk repairs to Ted for addition to the sidewalk list.

	approaches that were damage by snow plows. Committee directed Ted to examine driveway repairs and to set aside \$5000 in the sidewalk fund to see to repairs of sidewalks. Committee discussed about many different areas of sidewalks to repairs and expressed concerns that sidewalk program needs to be examined.	
7. Street - Mr. Padilla b) ½ Cent Sales Tax Road Projects	 Mr. Downey reported that the Finance Committee was done with the budget and that there would be \$350,011.65 available for road works. Alderman Reitzel questioned Brian on a number of project areas including end of Leroy at the PA site. Alderman Kuhlemier requested the committee table any action on any ½ items as the Mayor has requested these issues be examined when he can bring information regarding upcoming projects to the committee. After a discussion among the members, Alderman Reitzel requested Brian provide a cost estimate to the committee for repairs of 8th between West 2nd and Leroy. Committee suggested that a letter be sent to High School to request that buses be rerouted other than intersection at Leroy and 8th Avenue. Alderman Reitzel requested City Administrator send a letter to High School to change bussing route. 	Brian will bring back information to committee. City Administrator will send letter to high school requesting busses reroute away from 8 th Avenue and Leroy.
7. Street - Mr. Padilla c) Spread Sheets Roads	 Mr. Padilla presented rating information to the committee on all of the roads in town. A list of bituminous roads was presented as well as list of seal coated roads. Brian suggested that the city really needs to focus on crack sealing on roads. Committee discussed and requested that Brian get prices for crack sealing by a private contractor firm. 	Brian would bring back estimates to have crack sealing done by private contractor to committee at the next meeting.
8. Committee Member Items.	 Alderman Reitzel requested to hold a special meeting on April 8th at 6:30pm, right after Public Property. Committee requested that information on crack sealing be presented at this special meeting. Alderman Reitzel requested that trench on the Eastside of 12th avenue be examined by the Electric department and refilled as necessary to prevent public be injured. Alderman Thurm requested that Ted Padilla look at W 19th just West of Route 40 as it is getting torn up pretty badly. Committee thanked the Street department and Ted for all of the work that they did on potholes in the city. Alderman Reitzel requested committee think about volunteers to do work on Saturdays. Alderman Reitzel requested that City Clerk be contacted to determine how our insurance would cover volunteers. 	City Clerk would be contacted about volunteer insurance.
9. Review/Approve Minutes	Minutes were presented to committee and approved as presented.	Minutes were approved as presented.

10. Adjournment	Committee adjourned meeting at 8:25pm.	Committee adjourned meeting at 8:25pm.
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Richard Downey, Recorder, Rock Falls Public Works Committee