

City of Rock Falls Public Works Committee Meeting Minutes

Date: 05/06/10	Time Meeting Starte	d: 6:30 pm Time Meeting Ended:	8:35pm		
Members		Also Attended			
Alderman Reitzel (Chairman)	Р	Ed Cox, Sewer Superintendent	Р		
Alderman Snow	Р	Ted Padilla, Water Superintendent	Р		
Alderman Thurm	Р	Bob Gasper, Willet Hoffman & Assoc.	Р		
Alderman Kuhlemier	A	Brian Frickenstein, Willett Hoffman &	Р		
		Assoc.			
Alderman Schuneman	Р	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 Special Works Mtg.	 Committee reviewed and approved minutes as presented. 	Minutes were approved as presented.
3. New Business: a) Volunteer Insurance	• City Administrator presented information from City Clerk on Volunteer Insurance. Committee discussed about having clean up of end of 8 th Avenue or other volunteer projects. Mr. Cox suggested that to rotate work between superintendents.	Committee tabled item for further discussion at future meetings.
3. New Business: b) Unfinished work: 1500 Block of 7 th Avenue	 Committee discussed project at 1500 of 7th Avenue and determined that this would be a NICOR project. Sewer Superintendent reported that NICOR has been contacted and they know that it is their project. Committee expressed a concern that NICOR has been leaving projects out for work for an extended period of time. Committee requested that City Attorney be contacted by City Administrator and a copy of the ordinance for flowable fill ordinance would be sent. 	Issue would be sent to City Attorney to send a strongly worded letter to NICOR for action on these issues.
3. New Business: c) Residential Street Striping	• City Administrator reported on issue for placing stripes in subdivision. Committee discussed. After a discussion the committee requested that a letter be sent to West Wolf Ridge Homeowners Association telling them that at this time, the committee declined any action. They also discussed location of post boxes and if the boxes could be moved back in front of individual houses.	Issue would be researched and then a letter would be sent to West Wolf Ridge Association.
4. City Engineer – Mr. Frickenstein a) Completion of W 24 th St. Project	 Brian reported that West 24th project is almost complete. Seeding of work area is all that is left to do. Brian also reported on work on 12th Avenue project. There was a pre-construction meeting today. Traffic control will go up in the beginning of June and work will hopefully be completed by June. 	No action.

4. City Engineer- Mr. Frickenstein b) Future of 7 th Ave	 Brian requested direction on 7th Avenue project. Committee discussed. Committee declined to have any large bituminous projects at this time, but to examine how work on East 6th and 8th Avenue (see below) comes out. 	Committee declined any large project work.
4. City Engineer - Mr. Frickenstein c) 2010 Streets (Ada, E 6 th St., 8 th Ave).	 Brian reported that he has received some prices on doing Ada street, E 6th and 8th Avenue. Both projects have been coming in around \$60,000 for both projects. Committee discussed projects. Whiteside County would do the prime and double seal-coat on each of these projects, and excavating would be done by a private contractor. Ted reported that these projects could be possibly done internally with staff of Water and Street Department. Committee discussed. Ted reported that both 8th Avenue and East 6th could be done with internal staff and contractors. Committee thought the idea was a good idea and approved to have Ted move forward with project. 	Committee requested that Ted move forward with projects.
4. City Engineer- Mr. Frickenstein d) Crack Filling	• See below.	See below.
5. Street-Mr. Padilla a) Sidewalks 2010	• Ted Padilla reported on phase 1 sidewalk work and presented it to the committee. Committee discussed. Committee requested that list would be completed before any additional work was completed.	Committee thanked Ted for report.
5. Street-Mr. Padilla b) School and Church Sidewalks	• Ted requested to set aside some money for sidewalk work. Committee directed Ted to continue sidewalk work and to work with list of sidewalks as presented to committee. Committee also requested that this list be completed before any other work was to be done.	No action.
5. Street-Mr. Padilla c) 12 th Avenue Road Project Curb Repair.	 Ted reported that at the intersection of 12th Avenue and 2nd Street. Ted requested to committee to have the city's concrete contractor repair the curbs on both of the sides of the intersection. This cost would be out of the city's ¹/₂ cent money. Committee directed money to be taken out of regular ¹/₂ cent and not out of the sidewalk portion of the ¹/₂ cent money. Ted will work on getting this work lined away soon to ensure curb work is completed before June begins. 	Committee directed Ted to do additional repairs at the 12 th Avenue and 2 nd Street intersection.
5. Street-Mr. Padilla d) Patcher Projects	• Ted reported that crews have been working on Dixon Avenue. Committee reported that there were numerous compliments on this work. Crew worked on Avenue C this week between 10 th Street, and E. 8 th Street.	Committee thanked Ted for the report.
5. Street-Mr. Padilla e) Crack Filling Contractor	 Brian and Ted reported on Crack Filling work. They have made contact with Sarver Asphalt that who can do crack filling. Prices are being worked on and once that is worked out issue will be sent to City Council for action. 	Committee thanked Brian and Ted for report.
6. Water-Mr. Padilla a) Well 4 Update	• Ted reported that tests on Well 4 came back bad, so more tests will need to be collected and that work will be done shortly.	No action.

6. Water-Mr. Padilla b) Avenue B Watermain Project Update	• Ted reported that Avenue B Watermain project was done with city staff and crew really was able to handle work.	No action.
6. Water-Mr. Padilla c) Insulatio/Piper in Filter Room	• Ted requested to complete insulation work for cost of \$10,957. Committee discussed and approved. Item would be placed on City Council agenda for action.	Item would be sent to City Council for action.
6. Water – Mr. Padilla d) Tower Base Repair	• Bob Gasper reported on status of tower base repairs. He has been working with Brown Construction who did the same work with the City of Dixon's tower repair. Mr. Gasper reported that Brown Construction work could be done on a contract that would be sent from contractor to the City Council. Mr. Gasper will work on item and report back to committee.	Item would be left on agenda as tabled until Mr. Gasper comes back with info.
6. Water – Mr. Padilla e) Cost to pressure spray Water Tower	• Mr. Padilla requested to have the Green water tower pressure washed, he presented an invoice to committee from Maxcor for a price of \$11,800. Committee discussed and then approved item to be sent to City Council for action.	Item would be sent to City Council for action at their next meeting.
7. Wastewater-Mr. Cox	 Bob Gasper with Willett & Hoffman reported on status of sewer plant. Mr. Gasper reported that a large amount of the cement work that is going to be done at the new sewer plant location is being worked on. Mr. Gasper also reported that the old sewer plant would be having some demolition done at the site, and the trailers would be placed on the site to replaced demolished buildings. Mr. Gasper reported that they are working with the High School and Mr. Kyger the two property owners the force main will have to cross and preparing them to get work done. The work at the High School will not be touching the High School track, and any grass that is disturbed will be replaced with sod. Committee thanked Mr. Gasper for report. Mr. Cox reported that there are 3 pipes left to camera on 12th Avenue. He is going to move his employees off of camera work and move to working on 12th, Prophetstown Road and 6th Street manhole installation. Staff has found one pipe along 12th avenue that will have to be slip-lined in future, but that item can wait. 	Committee thanked Mr. Cox and Mr. Gasper for reports.
8. Committee Member Items	 Committee discussed about contracting out for mowing to be done on properties that have high grass complaints. Committee requested that City Administrator try and work with City Attorney to see about contracting out for mowing. He will report back either at next meeting or City Council meeting. Alderman Thurm requested that Ted Padilla take a look at roads around school bus terminal. Ted will take a look at putting it on the repair list. City Administrator discussed doing movies of Total Patcher in action and then posting it on Channel 5 and on You Tube. Committee felt that as time allows to do that, so people can see our equipment in action. 	City Administrator would see about contracting out for grass work.

9. Review/Approve Minutes	• Committee reviewed minutes as presented and approved.	Minutes were approved as presented.
10. Adjournment.	 Meeting was adjourned at 8:35pm. 	Meeting Adjourned at 8:35pm.

Richard Downey, Recorder, Rock Falls Public Works Committee