



# City of Rock Falls

## Public Works Committee Meeting

### Minutes

Date: 06/03/10    Time Meeting Started: 6:30pm    Time Meeting Ended: 8:20pm

Members		Also Attended	
Alderman Reitzel (chairperson)	P	Mayor Blanton	P
Alderman Kuhlemier	P	Brian Frickenstein, Willett Hoffman & Assoc.	P
Alderman Snow	P	Ted Padilla, Water/Street Superintendent	P
Alderman Schuneman	P	Ed Cox, Sewer Superintendent	P
Also Attended			
		Richard Downey, City Administrator	P
P-Present A-Absent			

Ordinance/Topic	Discussion	Plan of Action
1. Call to Order @ 6:30pm	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Committee called to order at 6:30pm</li> </ul>	No action.
2. New Business: a) Arland Street/Emmons Avenue-Mr. Schuneman	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Mr. Schuneman addressed the committee regarding the water flow problems at the corner of Arland and Emmons Road. Mr. Ed Kobbleman the resident at the corner of Arland and Emmons has installed a pipe that runs directly into the City owner catch-basin at the corner. Committee discussed what to do with this situation, as this is an unimproved connection. A letter was sent by Ed Cox, informing Mr. Kobbleman that the sewer department would be removing this unimproved connection.</li> <li>Committee determined that the Sewer department would cut the connection pipe, the area would be sloped to allow water to flow into the manhole, the connection however would be removed however.</li> <li>Mayor suggested that Mr. Kobbleman, Alderman Schuneman, Ed Cox, and Brian Frickenstein meet to deal with this issue, and that the City Administrator or Alderman Schuneman work to get a letter to the resident, and that no legal action would be taken at this time against the resident if this issue were resolved.</li> </ul>	Letter would be sent to resident and issue would be resolved with City staff.
2. New Business: b) West Wolf Ridge - Mail Boxes Information	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Committee was presented an email from the resident in West Wolf Ridge regarding an additional request for stripes being placed in the subdivision. The committee discussed, and once again determined that the city does not stripe residential roads, and hence would decline any action on the issue. Committee directed City Administrator to send a second letter to resident regarding committee action.</li> </ul>	City Administrator will send a second letter informing resident of committee refusing any action.

<p>3. City Engineer- Mr. Frickenstein a) Update on WWTP- Bob Gasper</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Ed Cox reported on sewer plant update. Plant construction is continuing. Ted Padilla reported a minor issue with the color of fire hydrants. Mr. Padilla will speak to Mr. Gasper regarding this issue at the monthly sewer construction project. Mayor advised committee that issues will be raised at the end of the project and these items will be addressed then if not sooner.</li> </ul>	<p>Committee thanked Mr. Cox for project update.</p>
<p>3. City Engineer- Mr. Frickenstein b) Update of other City Projects - Mr. Frickenstein</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Brian gave a brief update on the 12<sup>th</sup> avenue project. Signs will go up today for project.</li> <li>On 8<sup>th</sup> Avenue, some of the curb work will be examined.</li> <li>For the double seal coat projects working with Whiteside County will not start until after the 4<sup>th</sup> of July.</li> <li>On the Ada Street project, Brian will be talking to the grinding contractor about scheduling.</li> <li>East 6<sup>th</sup> Street project will be graded as it sits now.</li> </ul>	<p>Committee thanked Brian for update.</p>
<p>4. Wastewater-Mr. Cox a) Next Round CDAP Grants</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>City Administrator requested to the committee to get approval from the State for the survey to be sent out on Arland, Charles and Division Street. Committee discussed project, and after a brief discussion requested that surveys be done and then information would be brought back to the committee.</li> </ul>	<p>City Administrator will be sending out survey for CDAP grant.</p>
<p>4. Wastewater-Mr. Cox b) Project Updates.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>W 24<sup>th</sup> project is almost complete there is a short punch-list to be completed.</li> <li>Benchmark subdivision work is being evaluated by the City Engineer.</li> <li>NICOR projects were discussed and committee determined that issue would be examined. City has paid roughly \$19,000 to NICOR to adjust some natural gas lines, project was completed by the City but NICOR has not completed project.</li> </ul>	<p>Committee thanked Ed for report.</p>
<p>5. Water/Street - Mr. Padilla a) Project updates.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Mr. Padilla reported on patching machine progress. Oil would be reordered shortly.</li> <li>Mayor requested update on parking lot signs. Committee discussed, signs are available via the sign company and will be put up here shortly.</li> </ul>	<p>Committee thanked Ted for report.</p>
<p>6. Committee Member Items</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Mayor reported that for the maintenance money from IDOT has been paid to the City for \$19,045.45 which will go into the General Fund to pay for the Street department. Committee wanted to make sure that money would go towards the work of the Street department and for no other work of the General Fund.</li> <li>Mayor presented information regarding the Capital Cost recovery, Debt Service and Sewer Plant replacement.</li> <li>City Administrator reported that Rock Falls High School will be moving buses off of Leroy street as requested by committee last month.</li> <li>City Administrator requested that for the next meeting, committee discuss a permanent solution for rock containment yard for patching machine.</li> <li>Alderman Kuhlemier requested that committee examine property reports in the newspaper as it is missing "Rock Falls".</li> <li>Brian Frickenstein questioned committee about making 12<sup>th</sup> Avenue a non-truck route. <b>Committee discussed and requested</b></li> </ul>	<p>One item would be placed on agenda, others were for informational use only.</p>

	<p><b>issue to be placed on July agenda.</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Alderman Reitzel requested update on mowing of private lots and other mowing options. City Administrator gave short report on what other cities do. Ted Padilla reported that mowing has not been too much of an issue. Committee discussed. Issue would be shelved at this time.</li> <li>• Alderman Reitzel requested updated on crack sealing. Committee requested that Ted Padilla move forward</li> </ul>	
7. Review/Approve Minutes	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Minutes were approved as presented.</li> </ul>	Minutes were approved as presented.
8. Adjournment.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Meeting was adjourned at 8:20pm.</li> </ul>	Meeting was adjourned at 8:20pm.

\_\_\_\_\_, Recorder, Rock Falls \_\_\_\_\_ Committee