



City of Rock Falls

Public Works Committee Meeting

Minutes

Date: 01/07/10 Time Meeting Started: 6:30pm Time Meeting Ended: 7:40pm

Members		Also Attended	
Alderman Reitzel (chairperson)	P	Alderman Schuneman	P
Alderman Snow	P	Brian Frickenstein, Willett Hoffman & Assoc.	P
Alderman Kuhlemier	P	Ed Cox, Sewer Superintendent	P
Alderman Thurm	P	Ted Padilla, Water Super. & Acting Street Superintendent	P
		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"> Committee called to order at 6:30pm 	No action.
2. New Business: a) Delta Institute Work	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> City Administrator reported that Delta Institute Work did not need additional cities to study at this time for the USEPA redevelopment project and reported to committee that he would bring back request when the Delta Institute needed additional cities for their studies. 	No action.
2. New Business b) Garbage Collection House Count	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> City Administrator reported that Garbage contract requires a monthly report from the Utility office to determine how much the city would be billed per month. Committee discussed and requested that issue be examined during the next contract perhaps having this item removed as having a variable per month was not of interest to the committee. 	Committee took no action.
2. New Business c) Sidewalk Program	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> City Administrator reported there was little money left in the sidewalk fund. He advised committee to hold off doing any further projects save for the two pieces of sidewalk at the city complex. Committee discussed. City Administrator also requested clarification on sidewalk selection program. Committee discussed, and requested to see current sidewalk list and sidewalk status map. 	Committee requested "Sidewalk plan" on the next agenda.
2. New Business d) Discussion: Next FAU Route Project	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> City Administrator reported on FAU route project and requested committee to discuss new FAU route. City Administrator requested to see if W 24th and adjoining roads were questioned by IDOT to stay as FAU route. Committee discussed, and determined that they would keep all of these roads as FAU routes. 	"FAU route" project would be placed on next agenda for discussion.
3. City Engineer - Mr. Frickenstein	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Brian reported that the MFT maintenance contract bids would be received in the coming weeks. 	No action.

4. Committee member items.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Alderman Snow thanked the Street department for the snow removal. Committee discussed about downtown snow removal. Committee directed Ted to remove snow downtown to the "best of the department's ability" and to ensure that snow was away from the curb downtown. 	No Action items.
5. Street-Mr. Padilla	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Street department will be sending weekly reports to Ted and Ted will send it onto City Administrator and Mayor. • Discussion was held on cold patch repairing. City Administrator requested direction on what to do with cold patching machine. Committee requested to have item placed on next agenda as "Cold Patching machine options". • Committee requested to know where MFT funds can be spent, the concern was raised by the Mayor that if more oil was to be purchased can we use MFT funds to purchase oil from out of Indiana. Committee requested City Administrator check with City Engineer on this issue. 	No action items.
6. Water-Mr. Padilla	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Mr. Padilla reported that the water department has dealt very professionally with a number of water main breaks. • Department is working on Reliant to barricade windows. Overhead door has been fixed. • Ted requested that pre-construction meeting on old water tower at limestone building. When meeting is held he will be invited. A number of the committee members requested to be informed when work is to be done. • Ted reported that a hydrant was hit near Rastede Dental clinic, water department will repair this hydrant. 	No Action items.
7. Wastewater-Mr. Cox	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Mr. Cox reported that the W. 24th Storm sewer extension will not have any activity until spring. • Route 30 Sewer connection project by IDOT is on hold. They have called and requested to have the sewer depth decreased by 3 feet, which the Sewer Superintendent denied. • Construction meeting was held today with the contractor on the new sewer plant. Project is almost at a stand-still due to weather related issues. Concerns were raised and contractor is working to address concerns. Committee discussed. 	No action items.
8. Review/Approve Minutes	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Committee reviewed minutes and approved as presented. 	Minutes were approved as presented.
9. Adjournment	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Committee meeting adjourned at 7:40pm 	Meeting adjourned at 7:40pm.