



City of Rock Falls Ordinance/License Committee Meeting Minutes

Date: 10 25 12 **Time Meeting Started:** 6:00 pm **Time Meeting Ended:** 6:58 pm

Members		Also Attended	
Ald. Vandersnick, Chairman	P	Adm. Blackert	P
Ald. Snow	P	Chief Kuelper	P
Ald. Watts	P	Mark Searing , Bldg. Insp.	P
Ald. Schuneman	P	Clerk Wescott	P
Mayor Blanton	P		
Also Attended			
Mr. Jack Guerrieri	P	Sandy Henreken, RFCDC Exec. Dir.	P

Topic	Discussion	Plan of Action
1. Call to order	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Roll call, quorum present 	In session 6:00 pm
2. Jack Guerrieri Discussion on current Stormwater Retention planning	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Mr. Guerrieri addressed the committee on two (2) areas of concern: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. The current ditches in the Industrial Park East area are only approximately 18 inches in depth and do not allow for proper drainage. 2. Average acreage of the lots is less than one (1) acre and do not fall under the terms of the current ordinance with either the formulation for the 2 year flood or 100 year flood formulation. • Following some discussion, the committee concurs with the matters brought forth by Mr. Guerrieri and will be contacting the City Engineers to set down this week and try to resolve the matter, which will lead to a change in the current ordinance. • The committee agreed that both of the items need to undergo review and change, as they are not feasible for enforcement and or application as currently written 	Meet with Engineers to discuss the matter, report back at next meeting.
3. New Business a) MU-1 Mixed Use Business	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Mayor Blanton told the Committee that this draft has already been approved by the Industrial Development Commission and is brought to the Ordinance for their review and considerations. The Ordinance is designed to bring more flexibility the City in working with developers along the Riverfront and coupled with the covenants being developed as well for the Riverfront area will make working with prospective new businesses much more flexible. Following a discussion concerning the future use of these provisions, the Committee recommended that the Ordinance be sent to the Council for first reading. 	To Council for 1 st Reading.
b) Repeal R-1 Zoning Ordinance	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Bldg. Insp. Searing spoke to the committee on the current R-1 Zoning in our Municipal Code. We have no R-1 zoned areas in the City anymore, and it would be the best to eliminate R-1 and have any residential come in as R-2. By accomplishing this, we could eliminate some future hearings and costs associated with annexations that currently come in as r-1 and then have to go thru the hearing process to be changed to R-2. Following discussion, the Committee unanimously recommends recommending repealing R-1. 	To attorney for drafting ordinance to repeal R-1 Zoning classification
c.) Order of Business	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Committee members reviewed an Order of Business Policy to be utilized when conducting Public Hearings. Following review, the committee recommended the Policy be forwarded to the Council for approval as Policy. 	Consent Agenda 11-06-12
d) Section 9-152	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Committee reviewed recommendations from the Police Chief as additions to the Prohibited areas between 8:00 am-4:00 pm, previously incorporated in the Section, but inadvertently deleted during amendments several years ago. Committee recommends approval 	Ordinance to Council for adoption

e) Section 9-84	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The committee reviewed changes made to the Section which were necessary in regards to additional stop intersections in the area of the Riverfront. Council recommends approval. 	Ordinance to Council for adoption
f.) Liquor License- Outside Seating	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Mayor Blanton brought forth a revised Article V. Alcoholic Liquor Ordinance. He has re-written several areas and included verbiage which will allow outside seating. Following a review of by the committee, members requested it be sent to the City Attorney for review and drafting of new ordinance reflecting the changes. 	Refer to City Attorney for review and drafting of Ordinance.
4. Establish next meeting date.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Due to the November scheduled meeting date falling on Thanksgiving Holiday, the committee approved changing the meeting November 29th at the regular 6:00 p.m. start time. 	Next Meeting: November 29, 2012.
5. Committee Member items	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Ald. Snow brought forth information from local Bar owners that have contacted him concerning the possibility of extending hours on Friday-Saturday and Sunday. Ald. Snow brought up concerns about the current Municipal Code in regards to leaf burning; he would like to see the matter revisited. Ald. Watts discussed the need to increase the City's presence on social media to facilitate more communications with our public. 	<p>Discussion only no action</p> <p>Place on agenda for next meeting</p> <p>Discussion only, more information to be on the agenda in the future.</p>
6. Adjournment	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> With no other items to come forward, Chairman Vandersnick called for adjournment. 	Adjourned 6:58 pm

Ald. Mark Vandersnick, Committee Chairman