



## City of Rock Falls Public Works Committee Meeting Minutes

Date: 08 02 12 Time Meeting Started: 6:30 p.m. Time Meeting Ended: 7:25 p.m.

Members		Also Attended	
Ald. Reitzel, Chairman	P	Adm. Blackert	P
Ald. Thurm	A	Clerk Wescott	P
Ald. Kuhlemier	P	Matt Hanson, Eng. WH&A	P
Ald. Schuneman	P	Brain Frickenstein, Eng. WH&A	P
		Ed Cox, Wastewater, Supt.	P
<b>Also Attended</b>			
Ms. Cynthia Kreutzer-513 W. 10 <sup>th</sup> Street, RF	P	John Hall, 1102 Roberts St., RF	P

Topic	Discussion	Plan of Action
1. Call to Order	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Roll Call, quorum present</li> </ul>	Session @ 6:320 p.m.
2. Approve Minutes July 5, 2012	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Following review of the minutes, committee unanimously approved as presented.</li> </ul>	Minutes Approved
3. New Business a) Public Utility Billing Complaints	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Two (2) residents; Cynthia Kreutzer and Mr. John Hall addressed the committee concerning their recent high sewer bills. Ms. Kreutzer explained to the group that she recently replaced her back yard with new sod and she has received three (3) consecutive billings averaging \$685.00. Mr. Hall spoke to the same matter and stated, in an attempt to save his trees he has been watering and his sewer bill has increased 1.5 to 2 times its normal amount. The billing process was explained and the necessity for the same, and that the committee cannot reverse the billings, but could extend payment periods if that would be of any assistance. The bills have all been paid. In addition, they were told about checking into the possibility of a sandpoint well to alleviate future periods of hot dry weather. Both residents thanked the committee for listening to the matters brought forth.</li> </ul>	No action
b) City owned Bridge Inspections	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Clerk Wescott shared that two bridges owned by the City at Dixon Avenue and the IM Feeder Canal, as well as, East 11<sup>th</sup> Street and the IM Feeder Canal are due for their bi-annual inspections. WH &amp; A has been performing these inspections and submitting the necessary paperwork. Cost has been not in excess of \$850.00. Committee request the Council approve the inspections be done by WH&amp;A at a cost not to exceed \$850.00 total for bot structures.</li> </ul>	Recommend to Council authorizing WH&AQ to conduct inspections for no more than \$850.00
4. Engineer's report a) Well # 6 IEPA Loan requirements	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Matt Hanson shared with the Committee discussions that were held between himself and Ted Padilla Water Supt, in regards to the Well # 6 Project that has been discussed. Currently our existing wells are in good shape; however, well #4 has seen a decrease in volume due to problems with Buildup of Bacteria caused by rusting in the pipes. The estimated cost for doing a complete new Well #6 on the Northeast corner of existing City property is estimated at \$612,000.00. Current Water reserves are not sufficient to proceed with such a project. However, to begin preparing for possible down the road problems, and to be in place for any grants or IEPA Loans the following was discussed and the committee recommends. Go ahead with expenditure of \$12,000.00 at this time to complete the IEPA Project Plan Report for the IEPA Revolving Fund Loan and have it submitted. This document is good for a five (5) year period. If anything in regards to the status of our wells change, we are in better position to proceed.</li> </ul>	Recommend to Council, the expenditure of \$12,000.00 for the completion and submittal of the IEPA Project Plan Report for the IEPA Revolving Fund Loan by WH&A.

5) Aeration Tank Improvement Award Recommendation	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Based on bids received for this project, Northwest Illinois Construction, L.L.C was the low bidder at \$53,895.50 they are willing to enter into an agreement to allow the excavation to be completed by another firm, thus lower the project cost by \$10,497.50. This brings the project to a total cost of \$47,898.00. Committee recommends the City Council approve this recommendation.</li> </ul>	City Council to approve the bid of Northwest Illinois Construction, L.L.C. at a cost of \$47,898.00, with the excavation for the project going to the lowest verbal bidder not to exceed \$4,500.00.
6. Committee Items	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>No further items to come before the committee.</li> </ul>	No action
7. Adjournment	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>With no further business to consider, Chairman Reitzel called for adjournment</li> </ul>	Adjourned @ 7:25 p.m.

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Ald. Daehle Reitzel, Committee Chairman