

City of Rock Falls Public Works Committee Meeting Minutes

Date: 11 01 12 Time Meeting Started: 6:30 p.m. Time Meeting Ended: 7:45 p.m.

Members		Also Attended		
Ald. Reitzel, Chairman	P	Adm. Blackert	P	
Ald. Kuhlemier	P	Clerk Wescott	P	
Ald. Schuneman	P	Ted Padilla Supt.	P	
Ald. Watts	P	Ed Cox, Supt.	P	
Mayor Blanton	P	Brian Frickenstein, WHA Engineer	P	
Also Attended				
Ms. Teresa Skinner, 217 2 nd Avenue	P	Seth Grant, 509 A W. 11 th Street	P	

Topic	Discussion	Plan of Action
1. Call to order	Following roll call, quorum present	In session 6:30 p.m.
2. Approve Minutes October 4, 2012	Following review of the minutes, committee moved to accept the minutes as presented.	Approved
3. Citizen Input a) Teresa Skinner	• Teresa Skinner, 217 2 nd Avenue was present to discuss two large water bills that were recently generated at her property. The sewer usage side of her bill has already been credited, however she has two outstanding bills One, is in the amount of \$887.56 and the second, is for \$505.85. She is asking the committee to consider either a reduction in her bills or allow her to participate in a deferred payment plan. She informed the committee that her home is going to be going thru foreclosure soon. Following discussion, the committee agreed to take the matter under consideration and Adm. Blackert will be in contact with Ms. Skinner.	Adm. Blackert will research and take appropriate actions
b) Amber Grant	• Ms. Grant 509 Apt. A West 11th Street, was represented by her boyfriend who lives at the residence and pays the bills. He was asking that the committee refund the \$100 payment that was made to have the utilities rehooked and applied towards their current bill. He told the committee that the utilities were not to be cut off until November 1 according to the notice they had received, and the City cut the utilities on October 25 th . Adm. Blackert stated that there had been some disconnects completed that should not have been, and would like to check into this matter and report back to the customer. The committee concurred and turned the matter over to Adm. Blackert for resolve.	Adm. Blackert will research and take appropriate action.
4. New Business: a) St. Andrews Carnival Request	 Mayor Blanton has been approached by St. Andrews Carnival Committee seeking permission to have their yearly fund raiser back on Avenue A. The event will be some time in 2013 during June/July/August. Following a discussion, the committee directed that St. Andrews make application thru the CTB as is outlined in the Rock Falls RB&W Riverfront Policy and Procedures Manual. 	St. Andrews to be advised to make application in accordance with Policy
b) Set time for future meetings	• The committee concurs with changing the time for future meeting to the hour of 6:00 p.m. beginning in December.	Change time
5. Engineer's Report Mr. Frickenstein HBP Grants	• Following the report last month on the E. 11 th Street Bridge, Mr. Frickenstein reported that the HBP Grants are indeed available for the projects that meet the established criteria. The grants come as 80-20 and the City's portion of the 20% would be eligible for MFT fund use. Following a discussion, it was decided, that since no immediate Safety issues were identified on the report to postpone any action until the 2015 report is completed.	Information No Action
	Mr. Frickenstein, requests the Committee recommend to the Council	Committee recommends

	payment of Engineers Payment Estimate #7 in the amount of \$95,579.43 to Northwest Illinois Construction Company for the E. 2 nd St/Avenue A Project. In addition, approve request for approval of change in Plans #5.	approval to Council for Action
6. Wastewater Mr. Cox	• Adm. Blackert reported on the 2 nd round of bids for the Dog Pound Lift Station Replacement Project. The low bidder was Fischer Excavating, Inc., Freeport, Illinois at a cost of \$698,960.00. The bid is still \$137,960.00 over the Engineers estimate, but is \$86,812.00 lower than the last round of bids that were rejected earlier in the year. Following short discussion, committee recommends the acceptance of Fischer for the project and sends the matter to the Council for adoption.	Recommend bid award to Fischer Excavating, Inc. for Council Action.
	 Provided information only that the Jetter truck is currently in Chicago for annual maintenance. 	
7. Water/Street Mr. Padilla	Mr. Padilla presented a listing of several schools and churches that will require Mud jacking repair next year. The information will be processed with budget considerations next fiscal year.	Information only.
8. Committee Member items	No committee items brought forth.	No action
9. Adjournment	With no other business to come before the committee, Chairman Reitzel called for adjournment	Adjourned at 7:45 pm

Ald. Daehle Reitzel, Committee Chairman