



## City of Rock Falls Ordinance/License Committee Meeting Minutes

**Date:** 02 28 13

**Time Meeting Started:** 6:00 pm

**Time Meeting Ended:** 6:34 pm

| Members                    |   | Also Attended           |   |
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| Ald. Vandersnick- Chairman | P | Adm. Blackert           | P |
| Ald. Folsom                | A | Bldg. Inspector Searing | P |
| Ald. Snow                  | P | Clerk Wescott           | P |
| Ald. Watts                 | P |                         |   |
| Mayor Blanton              | P |                         |   |
| Also Attended              |   |                         |   |
| Allen Boseneiler – Citizen | P |                         |   |

| Topic  | Discussion   | Plan of Action   |
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| 1. Call to order @ 6:00 p.m.                                     | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Roll call, quorum present</li> </ul>  | In session 6:00 p.m.   |
| 2. Approve Minutes: November 29, 2012                            | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Committee reviewed minutes and accepted as presented.</li> </ul>  | Minutes approved.  |
| 3. Old Business: Bucket Brigade-Div. 4 Section 8-870             | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The State has not responded to our numerous requests for guidance on conducting Bucket Brigade activities at the intersection of 1<sup>st</sup> Ave (IL. Rt. 40) and 2<sup>nd</sup> St. in lieu of the completed bridge project and new traffic flow pattern. Following a discussion on the primary issue of safety the committee is recommending to the Council that the Bucket Brigade section of the Municipal Code be deleted, and that no Bucket brigades be allowed in the City.</li> </ul>   | Recommendation to the Council on March 19, 2013  |
| 4. New Business:<br>a) Section 9-149 Prohibited Areas of Parking | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>It was discovered during a recent adjudication hearing that this section of the Municipal Code had inadvertently removed the prohibition on parking across any driveway entrance. The prohibition is being requested for re-insertion into the code by the Police Department. Following a discussion, under section 9-149 (b) (20) will contain the necessary language to prohibit such parking. Committee recommends Council approval</li> </ul>   | Send amended Ordinance to Council at the earliest convenience.                                     |
| b) Municipal Code Proposal                                       | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Clerk Wescott and Adm. Blackert bring forth this proposal to the committee for consideration. We have for a long time talked about the need for a formal review of our Municipal Code. Municipal Code Corporation with whom we have for years been associated for our codifications offers a program which includes a legal review and suggestions for recodification where necessary. They provide the review with full-time staff attorneys that conduct a chapter-by-chapter legal review, looking for obsolete provisions, conflicts and inconsistencies with current state statutes, and conflicts with other code sections. The results of the review are presented in a legal manuscript which would then be reviewed by our City Attorney and he can communicate directly with the company. Cost for the legal review is \$3,775.00 and included (3) hours of teleconference with the City Attorney. Following the review, should we go ahead with re-codification, the amount spent for the legal review would come off of the additional costs which can be spread over a two (2) years.</li> </ul> | Send to Council for approval of contract with Municode for legal review.                           |
| c) Maps Chapter 14 Subdivisions and Street Naming                | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Mr. Searing presented information on two (2) different items. The first, is for the committee to consider adding a revised section to the Municipal Code in regards to Thoroughfare Naming and Property Numbering System. He had reviewed a copy of the Ordinance in place from Courtland, Illinois and is asking the committee to recommend to Attorney Reese to draft the same for inclusion in our Codes. Secondly, he requested that the Section within the municipal Code concerning mapping of subdivisions or future annexations be updated to require all plats submitted to follow certain formats and utilize the Geospatial Control Network for Rock Falls to facilitate ease of transfer of all data to the City's GIS mapping system.</li> </ul>   | Committee recommends that both matters be forwarded to Attorney Reese for drafting of Ordinance's. |

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| 5. Committee Members | <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Ald. Watts inquired is the City had any Ordinances on the books concerning snow removal from private sidewalks. He was informed that the City does not have for purpose of liability.</li></ul> | Information Only       |
| 6. Adjournment       | <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>With no other business to come before the committee, Chairman Vandersnick called for adjournment.</li></ul>   | Adjourned at 6:34 p.m. |

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Ald. Vandersnick, Committee Chairman