



City of Rock Falls Committee Meeting Minutes

Date: 9-5-13 **Time Meeting Started:** 5:30 **Time Meeting Ended:** 6:00

Members		Also Attended	
Alderman Reitzel	P	Mayor Wescott	P
Alderman Schuneman	P	Administrator Blackert	P
Alderman Kuhlemier	P	Clerk Arduini	P
Alderman Watts	A	Superintendent Cox	P
		Brian Frickenstein	P
Also Attended			

Topic	Discussion	Plan of Action
Call To Order	Meeting called to order	Begin 5:30
Approve Minutes of August 1 st 2013	Committee reviewed minutes	Minutes approved
New Business		
a. Theresa Licocci request for the alley between the Teen Center, and former Sauk Valley Bank to be closed for a car wash to benefit the Teen Center	The committee discussed the request and the Insurance / safety concerns. They also discussed that this is not a nonprofit group looking to close the alley for the car wash.	Request denied
b. Discussion New skid loader upgrading - Snow Blower/ Mower combo for sidewalks	Alderman Reitzel presented the committee with a paper outlining the costs of the new skid loader along with the price to upgrade it. Adm. Blackert explained to the committee that FEMA money had purchased the snow blower for \$5500. The skid loader that was purchased can technically work with it, but because of the rpms needed to run the blower the skid loader would have to be running at full speed. Alderman Reitzel stated that for the \$16,000 difference in price, perhaps a new tractor for mowing, and snow removal could be purchased. Alderman Blackert stated that we had previously rented a skid loader when using the snow blower	Tabled for more information
c. Summary of functional classifications of roads	The committee reviewed a paper showing roads and their usage according to traffic patterns. This information will be used in the process of adding 5 th Ave. to the list of FAU routes for eligible federal help when fixing roads. Brian Frickenstein will look into what had happened after Mayor Blanton wrote a letter to the state requesting this. \	Tabled
Engineer's Report	Mr. Frickenstein reported that the work on the roads =, and the bike path are done.	No action
Wastewater- Ed Cox	Ed and Robbin reported that we will begin budgeting for the replacements of catch basins along Route 30. The Mayor informed the committee that the amount of state maintenance money has not increased at all, and it is evident that the reason that these catch basins are in bad shape is due to the State's own snow plows hitting them. The city along with Willett Hoffman will soon be looking for grants to help get sewer lines "slip-lined" on West Route 30.	No action
Committee Member Items	Alderman Kuhlemier stated that he has been getting complaints about the work done on East 11 th Street. The residents feel that the road is dusty, and they are not happy that it appears to be a gravel road. The committee assured Mr. Kuhlemier that if this year was not such a drought, a lot of the dust would have been washed away, and that once the road is driven on more, it will be a hard surface as it was before. He asked if the city had a sprayer of some sort, but the city does not have such an attachment.	No action
	The Mayor stated that he has received many positive calls concerning the road work done in other areas of town.	

Adjournment	With nothing else for the good of the committee meeting adjourned	End 6:00
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Committee Chairman