



City of Rock Falls Finance/Ins./ Inv. Committee Meeting Minutes

Date: 05-28-13

Time Meeting Started: 6:00 p.m.

Time Meeting Ended: 7:30 p.m.

Members		Also Attended	
Ald. Kuhlemier, Chairman	P	Adm. Blackert	P
Ald. Schuneman	P	Clerk Arduini	P
Ald. Watts	P	Chief Kuelper - Police	P
Ald. Reitzel	P	Mayor Wescott	P
Also Attended			
Sandy Henrekin -RFCDC	P		

Topic	Discussion	Plan of Action
1. Call to order: 6:00 p.m.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Roll call, quorum present 	Session: 6:00 pm
2. Approve Minutes: April 23 rd , 2013	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Minutes were reviewed by the committee and accepted as presented. 	Minutes approved
3. New Business: a. Yard and Bulk Waste Stickers	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Administrator Blackert explained that the new garbage contract begins in July, and that the garbage carrier will not be selling the stickers any more. The current price is \$1.40. The contract states that bulk and yard waste are not to be more than 50 lbs. After much discussion the committee agreed that with a review in one year, they would like to see yard waste be made free, and bulk stickers lowered to \$1.00 from the current \$1.40 	Recommend to lower the price of Bulk Stickers to \$1.00 and make yard waste free with no sticker. This program is to be reviewed in one year
b. Audit Dates	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The committee reviewed an email from Michelle Conklin (Deputy Clerk) that the Audit will begin on July 22nd and run through August 2nd. 	Information Only
c. Police Car	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Chief Kuelper presented pictures of 2 new types of squad cars to the committee. He also explained that the current fleet cannot be safely maintained to be replaced one car per year. He explained that the cages will not transfer to any new vehicles, but some equipment such as radios, cameras, and maybe the light bars can. The new patrol cars will cost around \$36,000 with all striping, and equipment transferred. The Chief explained that these orders need to be placed by August. 	Committee asked for matching bids for 4 new cars leased prices for four years.
d. Utility truck for Sewer Department	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Adm. Blackert handed a picture of a utility truck for the Finance Committee to consider purchasing for the Sewer Department 	Committee will need more details and use scenarios. No action
e. Façade Improvement Grant	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Sandy Henrekin from the RFCDC presented photos of other city's downtown areas where a matching grant for facade improvements was introduced to downtown land owners and businesses. Many of these are 50/50 grants with the city reimbursing the businesses 50% of the cost for painting, awnings, lighting, and signage. The money is to be used for rehab work, and the projects will have to be approved by a Development Review Committee prior to the work starting. There would be a time limit for the project to be completed by, and the finished work would be inspected and approved by the building inspector before the refund check is written. 	Committee recommends that Sandy come back with more details for funding and legal issues.
Municipal Investment Report	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Committee reviewed the report 	No action

Committee member Items	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Ald. Schuneman asked if we have had a review of fees with Sauk Valley Bank. This was to be done after one year. Mayor Wescott and Adm. Blackert stated that there are still going to be no fees. 	No Action
7. Adjournment	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> With no other business to come before the committee, Chairman Kuhlemier called for adjournment. 	Adjourned:7:30 pm

Ald. Glen Kuhlemier Committee Chairman