



City of Rock Falls Public Works / Public Property Committee Meeting Minutes

Date: 10-6-2017

Time Meeting Started: 8:15am

Time Meeting Ended: 9:30

Members		Also Attended	
Alderman Reitzel – Chairman	p	Mayor Wescott	p
Alderman Kleckler	p	Administrator Blackert	p
Alderman Folsom	p	Clerk Arduini	
		Ed Cox	
		Ted Padilla	
		Larry Spinka	p
		Brian Frickenstein	p
		Inspector Searing	
Also Attended			

Topic	Discussion	Plan of Action
1.Call to order - Chairman Reitzel	Meeting was called to order	Meeting begins at 8:15am
2.Audience Requests	None	No action
3.Approve Minutes of the September 8th, 2017 Public Works - Public Property Meeting	The minutes were reviewed by the committee	Minutes approved
4.Engineer's Report – Brian Frickenstein	Brian Frickenstein informed the committee that Civil Construction has west 5th Street ready to be paved on Monday in part of the Galt Avenue project. There will be a bid opening for the Heinze Drive Storm sewer project on October 12 th at 10:00am. He also reported on the grinding on 1 st Avenue and 12 th Avenue.	No action
5.Old Business a.Nicor repairs update	Inspector Searing reported that Nicor is finished installing the new line from 1 st Avenue to 8 th Avenue. The curb and road repairs for this area should begin on Monday, and is being done by Campos Construction. This work will need to be monitored so that the elevations are correct for the storm water. The Nicor crews are out on Dixon Avenue working currently. They will be back in town to begin installation of a 4" main from 8 th Avenue to 14 th Avenue. This project should not be as destructive. The committee is unsure if a new line will be going north on 14 th Avenue.	No action
6.New Business: a.Ground and Power Quality monitoring for Police and Fire Departments.	Inspector Searing explained that that after the lightning strikes at the Police and Fire Departments, he had done an electrical inspection with Complete Electric. It was found that the grounds need replaced. Surge protection for the departments was also discussed. The Committee recommends the estimate for \$18,480.00 to be done to install new grounds at the Departments. Alderman Kleckler wanted to make sure that this work wasn't anything that will be upgraded again soon.	Refer to Council for approval.
b.Glen's Garden Subdivision Discussion	Clerk Arduini informed the committee that the two buildings on the south side of the property cannot receive a non-homestead tax exemption without being made into a subdivision. WHA has informed the city that the cost to plat the subdivision would be \$3711.00. The tax savings would be somewhere less than the current tax of \$2335.74. The committee recommends against moving forward.	No action

c. Modification of the south side of the Street Department Building	Larry Spinka informed the committee that he has spoken to quite a few contractors about repairing the south side wall of the Street Department. The only one who has come back with an estimate is Wilvar Inc. in the amount of \$19,661.00. The street department will cut the concrete, and Wilvar will replace the bottom 5 feet of the building.	Refer to Council for approval.
d. Discussion of Curb & Gutter Projects	Administrator Blackert would presented an idea to begin adding curb and gutter to the streets on the southwest side of the City beginning at West 21 st street and working north a couple of streets per year. Alderman Kleckler mentioned that there are streets on the East side of town that could use this too, such as Charles and Arland. Adm. Blackert explained that these roads have been storm water problems for many years, and the storm water infrastructure is already in place on the southwest side to work with.	No action
e. Review of 2017 Road Projects	Mr. Spinka reported that the slag went down well this year. All of the roads have been swept once so far. The only road that was tilled was 6 th Street. The rest of the streets were patched by the Street Department prior to the slag.	No action
f. Review of 2017 Sidewalk Projects Completed & Still in Progress	Adm. Blackert has been working off of the old sidewalk list and going forward as they are finished. There was discussion if that is the way to do it, or re-evaluate each sidewalk and place its priority on a new list every year. Grinding the downtown sidewalks worked well, and there may be more of that in the future. All of the mudjacking is finished.	No action
g. Discussion of South 13th from Route 30 south to new resurface	Adm. Blackert would like to see the core and resurfacing of 13 th Avenue be added as an alternative bid when the 14 th Avenue Road Project goes out to bid next year. With all of the equipment in place, and the unusually good price for bituminous currently, it may make sense to have both of these done on the same bid.	Approved
h. Update on EPA & IDOT regarding Slag Use	Adm. Blackert informed the committee that a resident has filed a complaint about the use of slag on the roads. The EPA and IDOT are fine with its use. Sterling Steel has issued new MSDS Sheets for the material.	No action
7. Street – Assistant Superintendent Larry Spinka	Mr. Spinka informed the committee that street painting is being finished, and the crews will be beginning maintenance for the Winter season. Mr. Spinka also reported that the maroon Doge Truck is not running well, and may not be used as much for snow removal.	No action
8. Committee Member Items	Alderman Kleckler reported that Martin & Co. still has not cleaned up the area that they had rented from the city.	Adm. Blackert will contact Ryan from Martin again.
10. Adjournment	With nothing else for the good of the committee, the meeting was adjourned at 9:30am	Meeting ends at 9:30am

Chairman  _____