



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

Date: 03-06-2018

Time Meeting Started: 8:15am

Time Meeting Ended: 9:26am

Members		Also Attended	
Alderman Reitzel – Chairman	p	Mayor Wescott	p
Alderman Kleckler	p	Administrator Blackert	p
Alderman Folsom		Clerk Arduini	p
		Ed Cox	p
		Ted Padilla	p
Building Inspector Mark Searing	p	Larry Spinka	p
Diane Hatfield		Brian Frickenstein	p
		Mike Terveer	P
		Brent Porter	

Topic	Discussion	Plan of Action
1. Call to order - Chairman Reitzel	The meeting was called to order at 8:15am	Meeting begins at 8:15am
2. Audience Requests a. Mike Terveer – 712 14th Ave. – storm water complaint	Mike Terveer informed the committee that due to standing water on the street across from his address at 712 14 th Avenue, the area on the East side of his yard holds water with the snow melt and rain. Mr. Terveer has spoken to a number of people at the City concerning this issue over the years. He suggested grading the east side of the road to have it flow north. The committee recognized that it would then flow to a private alley, and would need a tube to move it further north.	Mr. Spinka will look at the area, and report back at the next meeting.
3. Approve Minutes of the February 2nd, 2018 Public Works - Public Property Meeting	The Committee reviewed the minutes	Minutes approved
4. Engineer's Report – Brian Frickenstein	Mr. Frickenstein reported that the bid opening for the Buell (14 th Ave,) and 13 th Avenue project will be held on March 13 th at 10:00am a special Public Works meeting will be scheduled to receive the Engineer's recommendation prior to the March 20 th City Council meeting.	No action
5. Old Business a. Nicor repairs update	Building Inspector Mark Searing reported that Nicor has some cold patch spots that need blacktop.	No action
6. New Business: a. Brent Porter - Business directional sign at Industrial Park Road and East 17th Street.	Brent Porter, owner of Crystal Lake Campground, approached the committee concerning options for signage along Route 30 and/or Industrial Park road. He has approached the realtor of one lot, and the County for signage at the dog pound, but neither one is willing to work with him. He and others in the Industrial Park would like to see a directional sign informing drivers of where multiple businesses are located in the industrial park. The City owns a multi sign that may be used if the business owners can pay to have it installed. Directional reflective green signs would be useful for the crossroads in the Industrial Park.	The committee refers this to the IDC for signage options in the industrial Park.
b. Review quotes for replacement of electric services at City Hall and Police / Fire Departments	Inspector Searing reported that when looking at the electrical issues at the PD / Fire building and City Hall, it was discovered that the PD has a 600Amp service, and 400 amp wiring. The fuses are also missing, and have been replaced with solid copper bars. If there were to be an electrical incident it could fry the wiring until a fire develops, or the wire breaks in two. Either way the repairs would be costly. Adm. Blackert would like to have this done as an emergency, waive the formal bidding and have it repaired during this fiscal year. Alderman Kleckler confirmed that this upgrade would be beneficial for many years to come, and this would allow for a generator backup to be installed at a later time.	The committee recommends the quote to be sent to council waiving the bid requirements.

c. Review of the engineering agreement for 13th Avenue and Buell Road with WHA.	Adm. Blackert informed the committee that this is the City's standard engineering agreement. There is a charge for construction observation that is not included due to the unknown scope of the project.	The committee recommends the agreement be sent to Council for approval.
d. Review and discussion of the IDNR Lease No. 3250 – Arduini Boat Launch	Clerk Arduini informed the committee that the Arduini Boat Launch lease no. 3250 is up for renewal. He has contacted the IDNR concerning dredging, and the usefulness of the boat launch. Mr. Arduini has talked to two individuals, that has passed the issue on to another person, and he is awaiting a return call from Rick Pohlman in the Division of Planning and Programming. The cost of "hazardous waste" treatment of the mud from the river is too costly for the City to be able to absorb, and the City would like to have help from the IDNR or State of Illinois to make the Boat access usable again. The City will draft a letter to the IDNR concerning the boat launch, and the lease agreement.	Tabled
7. Street – Assistant Superintendent Larry Spinka	Larry Spinka reported that the department has been filling potholes and making yield signs. Springs had to be replaced on one of the plow trucks. Adm. Blackert reported that Commander Coppotelli is working on locating the handicap parking throughout town. The areas will be re-stripped, and new signs installed when identified. Mr. Spinka will contact Troy at O'Brien Construction for the crack sealing work this year. Some areas will be 5 th Ave., 7 th Ave, 13 th Ave., Robert St., and West Wolf Ridge. The Committee would like to see the handicap striping re-done in front of La Familia and the Eagles Club. The grinding company that did repairs to the north side of West 2 nd Street should be contacted to come back to work on the south side of the street, and possibly grind the handicap stripes.	No action
8. City Administrator – Robbin Blackert	Adm. Blackert will re-visit the library parking lot issues with Brian Frickenstein.	No action
9. Committee Member Items	Alderman Kleckler asked if the Park District Board had considered mowing at the RB&W Park, and if the Storybook Trail will still be moved to Kiwanis Park. Inspector Searing reported that ComEd crews have been clearing the trees below the power lines along the trail. They will be hand cut next year and treated with herbicide. Alderman Reitzel has received complaints about slag being in the yards along West 2 nd Street. Alderman Kleckler asked that the catch basins on Avenue D be looked at as the street has held water for a couple of days.	The Street Department will move the "Storybook Trail" poles in the spring. Larry will get the addresses and sweep them with the power brooms ahead of the street sweeper. The sewer department will jet the lines.
10. Adjournment	With nothing else for the good of the committee, the meeting was adjourned at 9:26am	Meeting ends at 9:26pm



Committee Chairman