



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

Date: 07-06-2018

Time Meeting Started: 8:15am

Time Meeting Ended: 10:02am

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

| Topic | Discussion | Plan of Action |
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| 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 May 4 th , 2018 Public Works - Public Property Meeting | The minutes were reviewed by the committee | Minutes approved |
| 4. Engineer's Report – Brian Frickenstein | Brian Frickenstein reported that Civil is 95% completed with the road projects. Restoration behind the curb is still needed, and there was discussion about checking the subcontractors at bid time to have the restoration done in a quality timely manner. | No action |
| 5. Old Business a. Nicor repairs update | Inspector Searing has not heard anything from NICOR. There are still a lot of patches needed on 10 th Street. There has been no news on the 8 th Avenue project, it may be being held up by Sterling. | Mark will contact Dave Pietryla again to remind them. |
| b. Flags at Veterans Park | Administrator Blackert informed the committee that the solar lights in Veteran's Park may be too shaded, and at a cost of \$150.00 each, the Electric Department is looking to run electric to the park for it. | Tabled |
| 6. New Business: a. Work request from Library | The City hired out the library gutter cleaning. They were clogged all the way up. It will be regular maintenance twice a year to have them cleaned out. There was much discussion about the standing water issue in front of the library. WHA has surveyed, and came up with a solution of installing a beehive drain on both sides of the sidewalk coming from the parking lot. This will have to tie into the existing drains connected to the gutters, and run to the storm sewer on 8 th Avenue. Murray has estimated the cost to be around \$3200 plus engineering. The Library Board has not decided if they will pay half of the cost to begin the project. | No action |
| b. Jim Arduini Boat Launch Rest Rooms | Ed Cox informed the committee that he has found the plans for the 1988 bathrooms at the boat launch. It was a self-contained composting toilet. The electronics have been broken for a decade, and there is no way for our crews to vacator it out. The bathrooms smell bad, and some of the repairs done a couple of years ago have been destroyed by vandals. Mr. Cox had two options. 1. Install a septic tank, or 2. get rid of the building and use porta pots. There is no way to access the tank that is below the bathrooms. After much discussion it was decided to contact the IDNR and have them come meet with us concerning this facility and the other issues at the park (trees, dredging) The Committee would like to lock up these bathroom facilities, and have a handicapped porta pot brought in. | Clerk Arduini will contact IDNR for a meeting. Prices will be looked into for a port-pot. |

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| c. Jim Arduini Boat Launch Hennepin Canal Lease No. 3250 discussion | Brian Frickenstein has been in contact with the IDNR concerning the lease and dredging. They said that the City was close to obtaining a permit in the past, but the cost, and where land application of the mud could be done were not addressed. | A meeting to discuss options will be made with the IDNR. |
| d. Leftover recycling bins for Police Evidence Room use. | The committee will allow them to use them for the evidence room | No action |
| e. Downtown parking lot usage | Alderman Reitzel expressed concerns with parking for businesses, and residents when the lovelight parking lot is being used for activities. Alderman Schuneman mentioned that the approval was given by the City Council, and the Summer Splash event brought in over 8000 people to the uptown. | No action |
| f. Driveway entrance 1705 Buell Road | After the road construction was finished, a resident at 1705 Buell Road is having issues of scraping when using the driveway. The committee studied pictures of the driveway, and other driveways along the street. The driveway slope needs to be leveling off back past the right of way. The road profile has not changed, and other driveways were modified in the past to work along that road. The committee has taken it under advisement | No action. |
| g. Approval of Pay Estimate #2 h. Approval of Partial Change Order #1 for W. 5th Street i. Approval of Partial Change Order #2 for Avenue B to Civil Constructors | Brian Frickenstein reported that Pay estimate #2 totals at \$309,332.26. This amount includes the change orders. Change order #1 for West 5 th Street is \$96,945.30. Change order #2 for Avenue B totals \$107,836.80. The restoration and oil costs are not yet paid for on the project. Alderman Kleckler asked why binder was not put down on Avenue B prior to it being blacktopped. Mr. Frickenstein did not know why it was not, and it is a specification that keeps the oils from leaching into the gravel. He assured the committee that it would not happen again. After much discussion a motion to send the pay estimates to the City Council for approval was made by Alderman Kleckler, and second by Alderman Folsom. | Motion carried To Council |
| j. Sidewalk list for FY 19 work | Administrator Blackert presented a worksheet with the sidewalk projects that were not finished from last year, along with the sidewalks turned in, and phoned in from residents. Larry will measure the additional sidewalks to figure the costs. Murray will begin these projects after school starts. Mayor Wescott would like to speak with East Coloma School about applying for a safe passages grant to extend sidewalk from Casey's on Dixon Avenue to the existing sidewalk by Selmi's. | Tabled |
| k. Demonstration of cameras at RB&W Park. | Administrator Blackert gave a live demonstration of the two cameras installed at the RB&W District Park. Larry Spinka will work on installing the signage in the park. | No action |
| 7. Street – Assistant Superintendent Larry Spinka | Mr. Spinka reported that the crosswalks are done. Painting downtown will begin next week at night. The summer help has been working out really well. Alderman Schuneman asked if a grinder could be used to smooth out the humps on East 2 nd Street. Adm. Blackert mentioned that the 3 rd Avenue engineering had been discussed, but it was not in the minutes. The project would involve widening the road, and study parking. A motion to move forward with the engineering was made by Alderman Kleckler, and second by Alderman Reitzel. | Motion carried. |
| 9. Committee Member Items | Alderman Kleckler would like to see what can be done for screening around the dumpsters behind the Dead Tree from 1 st Avenue. The committee discussed some type of fence to be placed along the hedges in between the building and the lovelight tree to the east of the end of the alley. The design guidelines and ordinances will be reviewed to see what can be done. | Tabled |
| | Alderman Kleckler inquired about the curb work on Prophetstown Road. WHA helped with the engineering, but the homeowner is having curb installed to keep water out of his lawn. | No action |
| 12. Adjournment | With nothing else for the good of the Committee, the meeting was adjourned at 10:02am | Meeting ends at 10:02am. |

Chairman 