

# City of Rock Falls

## Utilities Committee Meeting Minutes

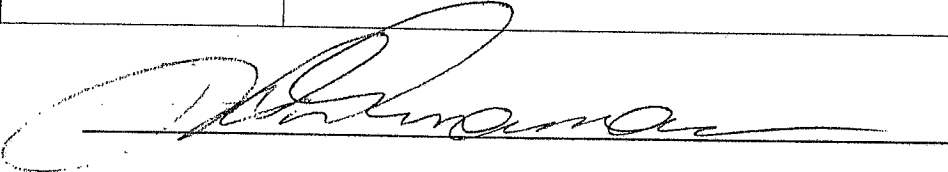
Date: 5/29/19 Time Meeting Started: 8:15 am Time Meeting Ended: 9:45 am

Members		Also Attended	
Alderman Schuneman - Chairman	x	Ted Padilla	x
Alderman Kuhlemier	x	Ed Cox	x
Alderman Wangelin	x	Dick Simon	x
Mayor Wescott	x	Wayne Shafer	x
Shane Brown	x	Diane Hatfield	x
Tom Myers	x	Administrator Blackert	x
Kim Groharing	x	Matt Cole	x
X-Attended A-Absent			

Ordinance/Topic	Discussion	Plan of Action
CALL TO ORDER	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>With a quorum present, the meeting was called to order at 8:15 am</li> </ul>	Meeting begin at 8:15 am
Review of Minutes from April 22, 2019 meeting	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>A motion was made by Alderman Kuhlemier and second by Alderman Wangelin to approve the minutes of the April 22, 2019 meeting</li> </ul>	Motion carried, minutes approved
Public Comment/ Resident Issues	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Penny Murray, 1207 Ave A, along with her daughter Brenda Murray, asked for help in getting well to city connection. It was suggested that she get with USDA for help. A motion was made by Alderman Kuhlemier and second by Tom Myers to put fines on hold pending the outcome.</li> </ul>	Motion carried
Utility Office: Update	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Diane Hatfield reported that the State of Illinois is now only two months behind in the utility bills.</li> </ul>	No Action
Utility Office: Policy Manual	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Diane Hatfield asked for approval of changes to Policy Manual. A motion was made by Shane Brown and second by Kim Groharing.</li> </ul>	Motion carried, To Council
Water Department: Updates	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Ted Padilla reported that the new hire will start on Monday, June 3, 2019.</li> </ul>	No Action
Water Department: Maintenance Contract w/SUEZ	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Ted Padilla asked for approval of 5 year maintenance contract with SUEZ, 1230 Peachtree Street NE, Suite 1100, Atlanta, GA 30309 in the annual amount of \$18,620.00. A motion was made by Shane Brown to ask SUEZ to consider a cap of 3% increase as opposed to 5% and second by Alderman Wangelin. If the 3% increase is not possible go ahead and approve with 5% increase. Roll call with unanimous approval.</li> </ul>	Motion carried, To Council

Water Department: Haskell & Thomas Avenue's water extension project	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Ted Padilla asked for approval of letting of bid for Haskell and Thomas Avenue's water extension project with directional boring. A motion was made by Alderman Kuhlemier and second by Kim Groharing.</li> </ul>	Motion carried
Wastewater Department: Updates	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Ed Cox reported the plant is running well despite the excessive rain. He reported that while water is pumping an average of 500,000 to 700,000 gallons per day the wastewater plant is taking in anywhere from 3 million to 6 million gallons per day.</li> <li>Bearing replacement by Lakeside is moving forward however the excessive rain is delaying the progress.</li> </ul>	No Action
Wastewater Department: Insituform Lining Project	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Ed Cox reported that new information and surprises have been uncovered resulting in the need for the removal and replacement of the cone section of a manhole on W 2<sup>nd</sup> St. A motion was made by Tom Myers and second by Alderman Wangelin to accept the change order and quote from Civil Engineering in the amount of \$16,650.00. Roll call with unanimous approval.</li> </ul>	Motion carried
Electric Department: Updates	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Dick Simon reported that there were 9 outages this past month and the hydro plant was back up to up to more normal</li> </ul>	No Action
Electric Department: SCADA Support	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Dick Simon asked for approval of 1 year SCADA Support proposal from Survalent Technology, Inc., 1967 Wehrle Drive, Suite 1, PMB 122, Buffalo, NY 14221 in the amount of \$17,440.00. A motion was made by Shane Brown and second by Alderman Wangelin. Roll call with unanimous approval</li> </ul>	Motion carried, To Council
Electric Department: Interconnection Agreement	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Dick Simon asked for approval of the new Interconnection Agreement for Interconnection and Parallel Operation of Certified Invertor-Based Equipment between the City and SolSystems that included a non-refundable deposit of \$100,000. A motion was made by Tom Myers and second by Alderman Kuhlemier.</li> </ul>	Motion carried, To Council pending review by Attorney
Electric Department: Solar Installation	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Dick Simon asked for approval of proposal by Champion Chisel to install solar with a limit of 99.9 kW AC. A motion was made by Kim Groharing and second by Shane Brown.</li> </ul>	Motion carried
Electric Department: Electric Efficiency Program Funds	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Dick Simon asked for approval of Save A Lot's pre-application for the Electric Efficiency Program funds at the maximum of \$5,000.00. A motion was made by Alderman Kuhlemier and second by Alderman Wangelin.</li> </ul>	Motion carried
Fiber/Broadband Department: Update	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Wayne Shafer reported that we have 346 which is down a little from prior months. One champion is starting and champion packages are ready.</li> <li>Pirtano estimates for build out of five fiberhoods range from \$118,000 to \$393,000.</li> <li>US Cellular discussion of future policy for use of poles</li> </ul>	No Action

Fiber/Broadband Department: Purchase Limit	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Wayne Shafer asked for approval for the purchase limit of \$15,000.00 for the Superintendent of the Fiber Department stay in effect. A motion was made by Tom Myers and second by Shane Brown.</li> </ul>	Motion carried
Other Action: Private Sewage Disposal	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Robbin Blackert reported that the Ordinance Committee denied the request to grandfather the requirement to hook up to city sewer. A motion was made by Alderman Wangelin and second by Alderman Kuhlemier for a letter be sent by City Attorney giving 60 days to comply and any further action be handgled through City Attorney.</li> </ul>	Motion carried, to City Attorney
Next Meeting Date & Time	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The next meeting will be held on June 24 at 8:15 am</li> </ul>	No action
Adjournment	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>With nothing else for the good of the committee, the meeting was adjourned at 9:45 am</li> </ul>	Meeting ends at 9:45 am


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