

City of Rock Falls Utilities Committee Meeting Minutes

Date: 4/26/2021 Time Meeting Started: 8:15 am Time Meeting Ended: 9:55 am

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

Ordinance/Topic	Discussion	Plan of Action
CALL TO ORDER	 With a quorum present, the meeting was called to order at 8:15 am 	Meeting begin at 8:15 am
Review of Minutes from March 22, 2021 meeting	A motion was made by Kim Groharing and a second by Shane Brown to approve the minutes of the March 22, 2021 meeting.	Motion carried, minutes approved
Utilities Office: Write-Offs for January thru March 2021	 Diane Hatfield presented write offs for January thru March 2021. A motion was made Alderman Snow and a second by Alderman Wangelin to approve write offs in the amount of \$23,247.16 and forward to Finance Committee. 	Motion carried unanimously, to Finance Committee
Water Department: Update	 Ted Padilla reported the water department is busy with many projects. 	No Action
Water Department: Dorner Main Valve and Stopbox Turner	 Ted Padilla reviewed bid letting for Dorner main valve and stopbox turner. A motion was made by Mayor Wescott and a second by Alderman Snow to approve bid letting for Dorner main valve and stopbox turner. 	Motion carried unanimously
Water Department: Motor Control Center for Booster Pumps and Water Tower Improvements	 Ted Padilla reviewed motor control center for booster pumps and water tower improvements. A motion was made by Alderman Snow and a second by Kim Groharing to approve both projects for bid spec preparation and letting by Willett Hofmann. 	Motion carried unanimously
Wastewater Department: Update	 Ed Cox reported the department has more than usual maintenance work scheduled this year due to the age of the plant. RedZone work has been delayed until the end of May due to not having the vac truck back from repair. Ed Cox will be working with Cloudpoint to convert RedZone information to the GIS. Riverside Mobile Home Park is considering connecting to city sewer. This is most likely due to the open sale scheduled for May 1st. Ed Cox stated that the City has gone 10 years with no violations. 	No Action

Wastewater Department: Rock River Watershed Group	Ed Cox reported the City of Sterling has joined the Rock River Watershed Group. Freeport has decided to drop out of the group due to cost.	No Action
Electric Department: Update	 Dick Simon reported hydro plant is running well and will be shut down this week for maintenance. AMI meter project is going well. 	No Action
Electric Department: Hydro Concrete Bids	Dick Simon reviewed the hydro concrete bids. A motion was made by Alderman Snow and a second by Kim Groharing to approve award of bid to MJ Electric, LLC in the amount of \$119,800 and forward to City Council.	Motion carried unanimously, to City Council
Electric Department: Excavator Bids	 Dick Simon reviewed the excavator bids. A motion was made by Alderman Wangelin and a second by Mayor Wescott to approve award of bid to Bobcat of Dixon in the amount of \$35,760 and forward to City Council. 	Motion carried unanimously, to City Council
Electric Department: Skid Steer Bids	 Dick Simon reviewed the skid steer bids. A motion was made by Alderman Snow and a second by Mayor Wescott to approve award of skid steer bid to Bobcat of Dixon in the amount of \$38,014 and forward to City Council. 	Motion carried unanimously, to City Council
Electric Department: Rate Comparison	 Robbin Blackert reviewed the electric rate comparisons and reported they will continue to be watched over the next several months. 	No Action
Fiber/Broadband: Update	 Wayne Shafer reported the build out was slow to get started. There have been 200 roof top connects and should have another 200 by the end of the month. The lower price has been very receptive. 	No Action
City Attorney: Well to City	Matt Cole reported he has filed motions and a hearing is scheduled on May 17 th for two well to city customers.	No Action
City Attorney: Other Updates	 Matt Cole reported no updates to Industrial Road sewer issue Rock Falls Apartments should have decision by end of week. 	No Action
Utility Manager: Intergovernmental Agreement with the IDOT for Traffic Control Devices	Robbin Blackert reviewed the agreement with the Illinois Department of Transportation for Traffic Control Devices. A motion was made by Kim Groharing and a second by Alderman Snow to approve the Intergovernmental Agreement and forward to City Council.	Motion carried unanimously, to City Council
Jtility Manager: Rock Falls Electrical Service Requirements	Robbin Blackert reviewed proposed changes to the electric service requirements. A motion was made by Alderman Snow and a second by Shane Brown to put in ordinance electric service requirements that have been enforced and not covered by National Electric Code and forward to OLPS Committee.	Motion carried unanimously, to OLPS Committee
Itility Manager: Holding Electric Rates t FY21 Rate	Robbin Blackert explained to reasoning for holding electric rates at FY21 Rate and why this change went directly to City Council.	No Action

Utility Manager: Terms of Members and Officer Election	Robbin Blackert presented discussion of terms of members and officer election for May	No Action
Next Meeting Date & Time	The next meeting will be held on May 24, 2021 at 8:15 am in Council Chambers	No Action
Adjournment	With nothing else for the good of the committee, the meeting was adjourned at 9:55 am	Meeting ends at 9:55 am

Thomas & Myers

Committee Vice Chairman