

FAIRBURY PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE

MINUTES

August 3rd, 2021
7:00 p.m.

Member Rogge made the statement regarding the Open Meetings Act as required by statute.

1. Member Phil Rogge called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. and asked for roll call. Other members present were: Brian Schmidt and Tim Polson.

2. Next, was the motion to convene.

Member Schmidt made the motion to convene. Member Polson seconded the motion. By roll call, the vote was 3 - "yes" (Schmidt, Rogge and Polson) / 0 - "nay". The motion passed.

3. Next, was the approval of the July 20th, 2021, minutes. Discussion, taking of any necessary or desired action.

Member Polson made the motion to approve the minutes of the July 20th, 2021, meeting. Member Schmidt seconded the motion. By roll call, the vote was 3 - "yes" (Schmidt, Rogge and Polson) / 0 - "nay". The motion passed.

4. Next, was discussion and recommendation regarding a request to install a memorial bench at Crystal Springs Park. Discussion, taking of any necessary or desired action

Bedlan explained that the information is in the packets and that the request has been made by Barb Blincow in remembrance of her late husband Dean Blincow to have the bench installed at the location shown on the map. There was some discussion in regards to the number of benches installed at the park. Bedlan explained that she is currently taking the request as they come and expects the park Forman to contact her if at any time there is not enough room for additional benches. Items along with the benches to be donated and the manpower it takes to install the benches was discussed and it was noted that it is a minimal investment for the return. Member Schmidt made the motion to recommend City Council approve the request from Barb Blincow to install a memorial bench for Dean Blincow at Crystal Springs Park. Member Polson seconded the motion. By roll call, the vote was 3 - "yes" (Schmidt, Rogge and Polson) / 0 - "nay". The motion passed.

5. Next, was discussion and recommendation regarding a request from the museum board to block the downtown square with barricades placed ½ a block back from all of the courthouse corners and blocking 4th Street from E to the west side of G street and blocking E Street from 5th Street – to the south side of 6th Street on September 12, 2021 from 6:00 am. to 5:00 pm. Discussion, taking of any necessary or desired action

Mick Suey with the Fairbury Museum was present and spoke on behalf of the Museum Board. He explained that the museum is requesting more space for the show so that cars that accidentally turn down the streets that are blocked off will have an alley access to exit through instead of trying to turn around or driving through the car show. He also stated that he hopes to have at least 200 cars this year and a few vendors. There was some discussion regarding different ways to move traffic through the area when the square is blocked off and it was noted that since the car show is a bigger event requiring more space than most it was best to back the barricades up to the alley's. Member Polson made the motion to recommend City Council approve the request from the Fairbury Museum Board to block the downtown square with barricades placed ½ a block back from all of the courthouse corners and blocking 4th Street from E to the west side of G street and blocking E Street from 5th Street – to the south side of 6th Street on September 12, 2021 from 6:00 am. to 5:00 pm. Member Schmidt seconded the motion. By roll call, the vote was 3 -

"yes" (Schmidt, Rogge and Polson) / 0 - "nay". The motion passed.

6. Next, were public comments on non-agenda items

With no comments from the public on non-agenda items member Schmidt made the motion to adjourn the meeting. Member Polson seconded the motion. By roll call, the vote was 3 - "yes" (Rogge, Polson, and Schmidt) / 0 - "nay". The motion passed. The meeting adjourned at 7:12 p.m.

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