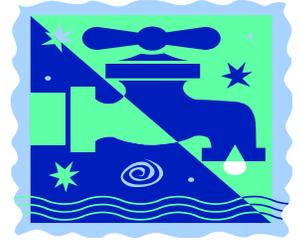




CITY OF BILLINGS

PUBLIC WORKS BOARD

JAMES MARISKA, CHAIRMAN



PUBLIC WORKS BOARD MINUTES

October 15, 2015

The meeting convened at 5:30 pm.

Members present: Ed Hammer, David Hummel, Tom Llewellyn, James Mariska, and Ryan Sullivan

Staff present: Erin Claunch, Kelly Frank, Vern Heisler, and David Mumford

OLD BUSINESS

APPROVAL OF MEETING MINUTES

Mr. Hammer motioned to approve the minutes of the August 18, 2015 meeting as written. Mr. Sullivan seconded the minutes. All members were in favor. Motion passed.

NEW BUSINESS

1. Traffic Signal Presentation

The Traffic Signal Presentation was given by Erin Claunch, Traffic Engineer. Engineering uses the MUTCD or Manual Uniform Traffic Control Devices manual issued by the Federal Highway Administration. It stipulates how and when for all things traffic like signs, striping, construction traffic control, railroad crossings, school zones, and traffic signals. There are also miscellaneous other factors that warrant a traffic signal such as crash experiences. There are 162 signals total traffic signal with 108 city owned and 54 MDT. Billings has more city owned signals than any other big city in Montana.

All intersections have either dial up with hardwired interconnect or a DOS-based computer system for communications. A new signal will be in place at Poly Drive/32nd Street West and another at Gabel Road and 32nd Street West in the spring. Mr. Mariska asked about a solution for the intersection of King Ave by Texas Roadhouse because of the congestion. Mr. Claunch noted that because some of King Ave West is MDT and some is maintained by the City it would require both entities to work together for a solution.

2. SOLID WASTE CNG UPDATE

Mr. Mumford discussed the CNG savings per vehicle was approximately \$1,000 per month. Public Works will be getting more CNG trucks in the coming years. The solid waste trucks also have a new logo for their CNG status. Also, the scale at the entrance of the landfill is now operational. Next year's goal is to have no citizens go into the landfill as they will be able to dump items by the top entrance. Also working with Habitat for Humanity to recycle good construction materials.

ADDITIONAL BUSINESS – Mr. Mumford talked about the BNSF land by Monad and Daniels that currently does not have City sewer or water. Hopefully an agreement can be reached for the City to put in water and sewer lines if BNSF and the other businesses will pay to put in roads and storm drains.

Public works board members James Mariska and David Hummel terms will end on December 31st. Currently looking for new members.

Meeting adjourned at 7:10pm