



PUBLIC WORKS BOARD MEETING AGENDA



Thursday August 15, 2019
5:30 p.m.

THOMAS LLEWELLYN, CHAIRMAN

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1. Call to Order
Rod Wilson absent
Guests Jodie Bingham and Pam Purinton – City Council Ward 4 candidate
 2. Roll Call
 3. Approval of Minutes – April 18, 2019
Motion to approve by Mr. Wanzenreid and seconded by Mr. Enright
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NEW BUSINESS:

1. Landfill Transfer Station Update

Vester Wilson, Solid Waste Division Manager, gave an update on the progress of the landfill transfer station. The purpose of the project is to eliminate residents and other haulers to be on the face of the landfill. It will also help with minimizing blowing litter, improve efficiency and safety, and provide material diversion. Also, the transfer station will help save on tire repair from nails, which is currently costing solid waste about \$250,000 a year. There will also be an increase in natural gas production with the mixing of dry and wet trash in the transfer center.

The drop-off building will be a 60,000 square feet, which will be 200 feet to 300 feet. The bunker storage area will have a grinder for brush, tires, and mattresses. There is will also be a composting area next year. The maintenance building will be 9,000 square feet with a material reduction facility that is planned to be built in the next two years. The CNG fueling station will also be expanded saving 40% in fuel and maintenance costs. The project will be complete in October 2020.

2. Nutrient Lawsuit – Upper Missouri Waterkeeper lawsuit – EPA, DEQ, and Montana League of Towns and Cities (MLCT) are trying to fight the timeline of the nutrient requirements awarded to the Waterkeepers in the lawsuit. The regulations have been expedited with the levels of nitrogen and phosphorus being extremely low. There is no technology currently that can even test for the low limits. The Waterkeeper lawsuit also included only solar or wind power, but that request was denied. Other cities, including Billings, will be meeting with DEQ and EPA for discussions on how to meet the requirements. Changes needed are less strict limits on nitrogen and phosphorus. Also, all small cities need to meet the same limitations as big cities so that needs to be discussed and changed. Billings fortunately has a large body of water, the Yellowstone River, to discharge to but other cities do not.

3. CIP Deadline – The yearly Capital Improvement Program due date has changed to December 2019 from March 2020. The City Administrator would like the CIP completed for City Council approval before the end of the year. Mr. Mumford asked the PWB for input for the CIP for this year. The board requested a presentation on roads, and chip sealing, and maintenance.

Meeting adjourned at 6:40