



PUBLIC WORKS BOARD MEETING
Thursday, February 21, 2019
5:30 p.m.



TOM LLEWELLYN, CHAIRMAN

**PUBLIC WORKS BOARD
MINUTES**

February 21, 2019

The meeting convened at 5:20 pm.

Members present: Bill Enright, Tom Llewellyn, and Rod Wilson

Staff present: Kelly Frank, and David Mumford

Members Absent: Travis Jones and David Wanzenried

Guests: Jodie Binger, PE Bartlett & West

OLD BUSINESS

APPROVAL OF MEETING MINUTES

Mr. Enright motioned to approve the minutes of the July 26, 2018 meeting and Mr. Wilson seconded and the minutes were approved.

NEW BUSINESS

1. Westend Reservoir Update:

Public Works Engineering has chosen a consultant for the Westend Reservoir. Knife River will be selling 300 acres along Shiloh and Hesper Road to the City to develop the reservoir. Public Works hopes to enter into a buy/sell agreement in the next 60 days. Funding for design, land purchase, and construction will come from future water rate increases with an estimated completion date of 2023. The reservoir will utilize the Billings Bench Water Associate ditch 12 months of the year. The recreational area will have walking trails and a water area that can accommodate non-motorized boats.

2. Landfill Transfer Station Vision Update:

The transfer center has awarded to Sletten Construction. Part of the overall design includes rebuilding the road with a 2-way scale. The new building will be 200x350 with a shop, break room, a building material recycling area, and a hazardous/recycling area. Construction will take approximately 18 months. Public Works is asking the Board for input on charging \$10 for uncovered loads, but the fee would include giving citizens a 10x10 tarp. The Board unanimously supported the untarped load fee.

The landfill will also be expanded 364 acres on the Hillcrest side in the future. The expansion will add 150 years to the landfill.

3. Budget Pories:

Dave Mumford asked the Board if Public Works needs to put more money into infrastructure i.e. build more roads etc. or continue to maintain the infrastructure that Public Works is already responsible for. The Board's advice was to continue maintaining current infrastructure and continue to build what is in the capital improvement plan.

4. Other Business

Public Works is negotiating selling methane gas to NorthWestern Energy in the future from the Water Reclamation Facility. NWE is exploring the cost of putting in a pipeline at the WRF. There is \$65 million in the Capital Improvement Plan for projects this year. Mr. Llewellyn discussed the Lockwood Water and Sewer proposal by TEDD. TEDD is wanting water and sewer from the City of Billings for almost 300 acres. The Board was not in favor of this proposal. TEDD will be presenting at the City Council Work Session on April 1.

Meeting adjourned at 7:00