

Public Service Committee Meeting Minutes

Date: 4/8/25

Present: Brent McDaniels, Rex Castle, Bill Long, Landon McKenzie, Lisa Jackman and Dan Levalley.

Call to Order: 5:00

Minutes Accepted: Yes

Department Head Reports: See attached for Street Department and Parks & Rec Department Reports.

Bill Long- Residents are currently allowed to dump yard waste at no charge. Last year the City paid \$6500 to remove the yard waste that had been brought to the dump station. There is also a problem with folks driving past the office and dumping and leaving. Some of these folks are commercial lawn care workers. We can purchase a pre-built guard station with heat and a/c for \$4500 and \$2100 to have the electric ran to power it. May open on Saturday mornings in the future to allow residents to dump.

Flyers from the recycling company will be added to water bills in the near future to remind residents what can go into the recycle cans. This will hopefully reduce the amount of non-recyclable items being placed in the recycle cans.

Overtime hours have reduced due to less illness, fewer mechanical issues and better weather.

Many people are still driving around the "Road Closed" signs, even driving through yards to avoid the closed sections. Mr Long has concerns that someone is going to get hit and has asked for increased police presence to help reduce the risky actions. Main Street is still closed while Columbia Gas finishes this week and paving is expected to occur within the next two weeks.

Old Business: None

New Business:

1. Mr Long presented legislation to bring to Council to increase the operating budget by \$7,000 to replenish the funds used to purchase the guard station. Mr McDaniels moved to accept, Ms Jackman seconded; motion carried, Mr McDaniels will sponsor the legislation.
2. Mr Long presented wishes to increase charges for curb assist since the charges are so low and we have many residents taking advantage of the service. Curb assist will remain free for residents who are 65 and older or disabled. Mr McDaniels moved to bring to council, Ms Jackman seconded; motion carried. Ms Jackman will sponsor.
3. Mr Castle explained that the yearly state salt bid contract just opened and must be completed by 5/2/25 so he would like to bring it to council on an emergency reading since it will yield a lower price for the city's salt purchases. Mr McDaniels moved, Ms Jackman seconded. Motion carried.
4. Mr Castle will bring a request to increase the storm sewer fees on the water bills to \$11.00.

Next Meeting: May 13, 20205 at 5:00 PM

Adjournment: 5:34

Submitted by: Lisa Jackman