



**AGENDA
CITY OF LAUREL
PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE
MONDAY, MAY 16, 2022**

The Public Works Committee meeting was called to order at 6:00pm on Monday, May 16, 2022 by Committee Chair, Heidi Sparks.

Members Present: Heidi Sparks- Chair, Irv Wilke- Vice Chair, Bill Mountsier, Marv Carter, Dan Koch

Others Present: Kurt Markegard- Public Works Director

Public Input: None

General Items

1. Approval of Minutes from March 21, 2022- Irv Wilke made a motion to approve the minutes of March 21, 2022. Motion was seconded by Marv Carter. Motion carried 5-0 to approve the minutes. There was no April 2022 meeting and therefore were no minutes of the April 18, 2022 meeting, due to no quorum present at the April meeting.

New Business

2. Emergency Call Out Report- No report for May
3. KLJ Report- Report attached

Old Business

Other Items

Dan brought up the parking lot at Thompson Park, this was input as a handicap parking lot. New millings were put down to make the lot wider and allow additional parking, including non-handicap parking.

- Issue now is there is a giant mud hole at the one side of the parking lot, lines need to be painted and the signs need to be placed
- Kurt stated there is currently a staffing shortage within the city right now and no capacity to get this taken care of. No agreement to have this sub-contracted and not in the current budget.

Kurt stated the swimming pool was filled earlier for annual maintenance and to run the pumps to determine condition.

- Due to maintenance needs and staffing shortages at the YMCA, which staffs the lifeguards, the pool won't be opening this year.

Dan asked about the status of the water fees and the possibility of fire protection fees

- Kurt stated this is still on the list for a water rate analysis to be completed which will also include looking at updates to the fees

- Water revenue is currently sufficient, this would be a change to the billing and needs to go through a third-party for analysis. Fire suppression fees would be a part of the analysis.

Announcements

Next Meeting will be Monday, June 20, 2022, at 6:00pm in Council Chambers

Meeting adjourned at 6:46pm.



City of Laurel Project Status Update
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2022 Pavement Maintenance Project (4th Street Reconstruction)

(KLJ #2104-00862)

Reason for Project: To provide yearly maintenance and improvements to the City of Laurel Roads Network.

Project Scope: Miscellaneous annual pavement maintenance design, bidding and construction in locations throughout the City of laurel

Current Status:

- Project Bid Opened on 5.5.22
- Russell Parks Improvements Approved by Council 4.26.22
- City Council Workshop on 5.17.22
- City Council Meeting on 5.24.22

Water System PER (KLJ #2104-00147)

Reason for Project: To update the Preliminary Engineering Report that was completed in April 2014 with the most current information.

Project Scope: To Update the existing computer model for the water distribution system; Review pressure zone, tank and booster station alternatives; Analyze up to 3 different sites for a new water tank and explore funding alternative for all potential projects.

Current Status:

- Waiting on information from City

5th Ave. Water Re-Route (KLJ #2104-00118)

Reason for Project: To abandon the existing waterline between W. 11th and W. 12th Streets that crosses existing properties without an easement.

Project Scope: Abandonment of a 12" waterline that connects 11th St. to 12th St north of 5th Ave. in Laurel. A new 12" waterline will connect at the intersection of 5th Ave. and 11th St, route east to 4th Ave. and then north to 12th St. where it will turn back west and connect at the original connection point along 12th St.

Current Status:

- Project is Complete
- Contractor completed punch list
- Recommendation of retainage release sent on 4.29.22



Southside Stormwater Study (KLJ #2004-01470)

Reason for Project: Analyze Laurels South side to determine needed improvements for stormwater.

Project Scope: : To complete a stormwater master plan for the areas south of the train tracks and west of Highway 212.

Current Status:

- Completed, need to discuss next steps in resolving outfall.

WWTP Screw Pump B Replacement (KLJ #2004-01359)

Reason for Project: To replace screw pump B at the Laurel Wastewater Treatment Plant.

Project Scope: Reconstruction and rehabilitation of the Archimedes Screw Pump "B" at the City of laurel Wastewater Treatment Plant.

Current Status:

- Project Bid July 1st
- Project Award July 13th
- Anticipated equipment delivery, the week of May 16th
- Project completion, June 2022

WTP Lift Well Replacement (KLJ #2004-01487)

Reason for Project: To replace a lift well at the Laurel Water Treatment Plant.

Project Scope: Reconstruction and rehabilitation of the lift well at the City of Laurel Water Treatment Plant.

Current Status:

- 100% review with Nathan completed February 8th
- DEQ approval received March 14th
- Project is being advertised
- Pre-Bid conference was held on May 12th
- Bid opening is scheduled for May 19th

Sanitary Sewer H₂S Remediation (KLJ #1804-00122)

Reason for Project: Buildup of H₂S within the WW collection system has led to deterioration of manholes and other system components.

Project Scope: Complete design and construction administration to address H₂S build-up in the system.



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Current Status:

- Survey completed
- Design underway
- DEQ Submittal Approved
- MDT Submittal Approved
- Bid Opening February 24th
- Recommendation of Award February 28th.
- City decided not to award project.

Laurel Planning Services (KLJ #1804-00554)

Reason for Project: KLJ has been retained to provide City of Laurel planning services as needed.

Project Scope: Planning services may include; subdivision, zoning, development, floodplain hazard management, miscellaneous reviews and other related work. KLJ will prepare staff reports, recommendations, and attend meetings upon request.

Current Status:

- Zoning Regulations Update. To be scheduled
- Subdivision Regulations Update. In house project
- Annexation of Lance Hull. At Planning Board 6/15/2022
- Beehive Minor Subdivision. At Planning Board 6/15/2022
- West Interchange Plan. Local match not budgeted
- Planner/Project Transition. Ongoing
- Lazy KU Subdivision 2nd Filing. Element and Sufficiency Reviews. Waiting on additional information.

Laurel Capital Improvement Plan (KLJ # 2104-00649)

Reason for Project: KLJ has been retained by the City of Laurel to develop a 5-year Capital Improvement Plan (CIP).

Project Scope: The CIP is primarily a planning tool for annual budgeting to assist Departments and the Governing Body establish project priorities and funding.

Current Status:

- *Task Order executed*
- *Kick-off meeting Department Heads*
- *Initial structure of CIP generated*
- *Department Heads contacted for additional projects.*
- *Document is being drafted.*



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- *A meeting with City Department Heads needs to be scheduled in late November.*
- *The document will be presented to a City Council Work Session*
- *A Public Hearing before the City Council needs to be scheduled.*

Other Notes and Information

Other potential projects have been identified during recent conversations between City staff and KLJ. City Public Works staff and KLJ task leaders meet bi-weekly to discuss current and future projects. As these are tentative, the timing and extent of KLJ's services are TBD, unless noted otherwise.

Anticipated FY22 Projects

1. West Railroad Street Reconstruction- Proposal submitted
2. Water System Planning
 - a. Booster station rehabilitation or replacement (task order forthcoming)
 - b. Water storage tank Preliminary Engineering Report
3. 7th Street reconstruction
4. Waterline extension out to Golf Course Road
5. Updates to Zoning regulations
6. Updates to Subdivision Regulations
7. West Interchange Neighborhood Plan

Other Potential Future Projects

1. West Side TIFF

Kurt Markegard

From: Kelly Strecker
Sent: Tuesday, March 22, 2022 10:34 AM
To: Kurt Markegard
Subject: Septic Hauls 2021

Kurt,

Here are the septic haul charges for calendar year 2021. \$32,505.08



Kelly Strecker
City of Laurel, Montana

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