

**MINUTES
CITY OF LAUREL
CITY COUNCIL WORKSHOP
TUESDAY, APRIL 01, 2025**

A Council Workshop was held in Council Chambers and called to order by Mayor Dave Waggoner at 6:31 p.m. on April 1, 2025.

COUNCIL MEMBERS PRESENT:

<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Tom Canape	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Heidi Sparks
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Michelle Mize	<input type="checkbox"/> Jessica Banks
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Casey Wheeler	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Irv Wilke
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Richard Klose	<input type="checkbox"/> Jodi Mackay

OTHERS PRESENT:

Brittney Harakal, Administrative Assistant
Kelly Strecker, Clerk/Treasurer
Matt Wheeler, Public Works Director

Mayor Waggoner apologized for missing Mark Mace's funeral. He had a family emergency he was attending to.

Public Input:

Ray Southworth spoke regarding a bill that went before the legislature called Defend the Guard and other military-related issues.

General Items

Executive Review

1. **Finance:** Resolution - A Resolution To Submit Regularly Elected Officers To The Electorate And Notifying The Yellowstone County Election Administrator Of The City Of Laurel's Desire To Conduct The Primary (If Held) And The General Elections By Mail-In Ballot In Accordance With Mont. Code Ann. § 13-19-202.

This resolution is to allow for any election to be done by mail-in ballot if the City needs a primary due to the number of candidates that are running for a particular position.

2. **Public Works:** Resolution - A Resolution Of The City Council To Accept Studies Of The City's Existing Water And Wastewater Rate Structures And Recommendations For Any Necessary Modifications To The Existing Rate Structures Prepared By Raftelis Financial Consultants, Inc.

This resolution is to accept the water and wastewater rate studies and close out the contract with Raftelis.

Council Issues

Other Items

Attendance at Upcoming Council Meeting

All Council Members present will be in attendance at next week's meeting.

Announcements

The next Park Board meeting is scheduled for this Thursday at 5:30 p.m. in Council Chambers.

Tomorrow at noon, there will be a service for the unattended—those who have been buried but did not receive their military honors.

Mayor Waggoner stated he would need a letter from the Council President asking for the Tree Board and Park Board to be merged.

There was an article in the Outlook recognizing Council Vice President Wilke for his 25 years of service teaching Hunter's Education. Hunter's Education registration is Monday at 6:30 p.m. in the Math wing of the High School. Classes begin April 21st to 25th. The Field Course will be on April 26th.

The council workshop adjourned at 6:47 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Brittney Harakal". The signature is fluid and cursive, with the first name "Brittney" written in a larger, more prominent script than the last name "Harakal".

Brittney Harakal

Administrative Assistant

NOTE: This meeting is open to the public. This meeting is for information and discussion of the Council for the listed workshop agenda items.