

Minutes of the
PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE
Thursday, May 20, 2010
Council Chambers

Members: Chair Michael Jackson, Members Mark Albrecht, Greg Bell, Richard Bertellotti, and Jenee Pearce

Excused: Mike Stanley

Staff: Public Works Director Mark See, and Administrative Assistant Stephanie McGuire

Guest: Bob Lundy

CALL TO ORDER AND APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Jackson called the meeting to order at 9:12 a.m. and introduced new committee member Greg Bell.

APPROVAL OF APRIL 8, 2010, MINUTES

Motion: Pearce moved to approve the minutes of April 8, 2010; Bertellotti seconded the motion.

Vote: Albrecht, Bell, Bertellotti, Jackson, and Pearce voted AYE. The vote was 5/0 in favor and passed.

UTILITY RELIEF REQUESTS

Motion: Bertellotti moved to approve the utility relief request as recommended by staff; Pearce seconded the motion.

Vote: Albrecht, Bell, Bertellotti, Jackson, and Pearce voted AYE. The vote was 5/0 in favor and passed.

DRAFT ORDINANCE PROHIBITING WILDLIFE FEEDING

Copies of sample ordinances were distributed for discussion. Jackson explained that this is in conjunction with improving stormwater quality. The committee discussed including gulls, due to the high amount of gull DNA in the stormwater outfall water samples. Albrecht stressed that songbirds should not be affected by any ordinance of this type. Staff was directed to revise the draft ordinance for discussion at the next meeting.

STORMWATER QUALITY SUBCOMMITTEE OUTREACH UPDATE

Jackson stated that the subcommittee met and discussed the data; another meeting is scheduled for today to work on the draft presentation. Stormwater testing and testing results were discussed. The trends indicate an excessive amount of gull contamination in the stormwater outfalls. See announced that there is a stormwater forum that will be held in Tolovana next week.

PUBLIC WORKS PROJECTS

See updated the committee on current and future projects. The downtown restroom project will be out for bid on July 1. A tidegate will be replaced in September. The proposed budget includes funds to move the wastewater lab to the plant area in the next fiscal year. The configurations of the recycle and yard debris areas were discussed. An increase of 3% in utility rates is proposed as well. Refurbishing existing bathrooms, Matanuska and Pacific pump station generator enclosures, and a tractor for mowing are also items that have been included in the proposed budget. Some electrical work is planned for Matanuska pump station as well. The building for Elkland pump station is underway. A diesel generator has been purchased for Elkland pump station. The East Jackson Street water main will be replaced from Hemlock to Spruce in June. A small booster station and some paving will be done in Haystack Heights.

TRAIL COMMITTEE REPORT

See reported that it has been eight weeks since the grant presentation was made at the State Department of Parks and Recreation.

SUSTAINABILITY COMMITTEE REPORT

Sustainability goals were reviewed.

GOOD OF THE ORDER

None

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 10:20 a.m.

Stephanie McGuire, Administrative Assistant