

PUBLIC SERVICE COMMITTEE MEETING

February 20, 2019

The Public Service Committee met Wednesday, February 20, 2019 at 6:00 pm in the City Hall Conference Room. 17 S. 8th Street, Miles City, Montana. Present were Committee Members Kathy Wilcox, Dwayne Andrews and John Uden. Committee Member Ken Gardner was excused.

Also present: Councilperson Rick Huber, Councilperson Jeff Erlenbusch, and Minute Recorder Mary Roberts.

1. Elect Committee Chair:

*** Committee Member Andrews made a motion to elect Committee Member Uden as 2019 Committee Chair, seconded by Committee Member Wilcox. On a roll-call vote, the Motion passed 2-1 with Committee Member Uden voting no.*

2. Request of Citizens/Public Comment:

-None-

3. Committee Member Comments:

Committee Member Wilcox stated a complaint was brought to her attention by Councilperson Kassner about the snow around Garfield School and he wanted to get on a snow removal schedule with the other schools. Chairperson Uden stated that it should be brought up at the next council meeting.

4. Unfinished Business:

-None-

5. New Business:

- **Review and make recommendation for 1 hour parking signs at business address of 1620 Main Street**
 - Chairperson Uden brought up that there are now four electricians at this business and there is not enough parking to accommodate the employees, customers, and High School students. They request a one hour parking sign be placed outside of their business.
 - Councilperson Erlenbusch stated that he had spoken to MC Electric, LLC and they didn't have a problem before because there were only two

employees. They request a one hour parking sign be put up on South Cottage on the west side. They noted that there is a one hour parking sign next door to them and they think that is appropriate to fix the parking issue.

- Committee Member Andrews stated that the business needs to pay for the sign, not the City.

***Committee Member Andrews moved to approve the 1 hour sign as long as MC Electric, LLC pays for it, seconded by Committee Member Wilcox with same stipulation. On a roll-call vote, the Motion passed unanimously 3-0.*

- **Citizen Request to consider traffic control signs (stop signs or yield right of way signs) at 12th and Palmer**

- Chairperson Uden pointed out that there have been several accidents, some significant, because of people failing to yield right of way. He also noted that there are school children that walk through there, children that live around there, and the residents of Eagles Manor that walk there. He requested that signs be placed on each side of Palmer Street yielding traffic north and south on 12th Street.

*** Chairperson Uden motioned that there be yield signs posted on north and south sides of Palmer Street controlling traffic on 12th Street, seconded by Committee Member Andrews. On roll-call vote, the motion passed 3-0.*

- **Request by Council Member to consider one way street designation for Dickinson Street from South Montana to South Lake streets**

- Councilperson Huber made a request, on behalf of a Ward 2 resident, to turn four blocks of Dickinson Street from a two-way street to a one-way street heading west between South Montana and South Lake because the road narrows in this area. This will help control and eliminate congestion in the area. There is no room for two vehicles to drive down the street now. It is especially narrow if cars are parked on both sides of the street.
- Chairperson Uden asked if it is wide enough for a fire truck to drive through. Committee Member Huber stated that the Fire Chief be asked about regulations regarding the width of the road.
- Councilperson Erlenbusch suggested talking to residents in the area to get their thoughts on the idea and to gain a better understanding of how their parking is now.
- Committee Member Andrews suggested sending out a letter/notification to residents about the suggested change prior to implementation.

***Committee Member Wilcox moved to turn a portion of Dickinson Street into a one-way if a letter/notification goes out to residents of the area **and if** the one-way heads east, seconded by Chairperson Uden with same stipulations. On roll call vote, the motion passed 3-0.*

6. Adjournment:

***Committee Member Wilcox moved to adjourn, seconded by Chairperson Uden, motion passed unanimously 3-0.*



John Uden, Chairperson



Mary Roberts, Recorder