

A Pre-Meeting of the City Council was held on Tuesday the 7th day of May 2019.

Present were Councilmen Carsrud, Lundvall, McLeland, Montgomery, Neary, and Mayor Carter-King; City Administrator Davidson; City Attorney Reyes; Directors Henderson, Muzzarelli, and Wilde; Managers Schoen, Lt. Wasson, Toscana and Palazzari; City Clerk Staskiewicz.

Warm Up Items

Councilman Montgomery thanked citizens for attending the send-off for the deployment of the 2nd Battalion, 300th Field Artillery unit. Councilman McLeland stated that he participated in the weekend Drive & Drop and was impressed with the operation of the program and volume of refuse collected. Director Wilde reported preliminary numbers for the Drive & Drop Program and stated that final statistics would be provided when available. Mayor Carter-King reminded Council of their scheduled time for picking up trash along the walking path at the Energy Capital Sports Complex for the annual Trash-A-Thon challenge with the County Commissioners.

Gillette Main Street Quarterly Update

Jessica Seders, Director of the Gillette Main Street, and Committee Member, Dale Burbank, presented Council with a listing of the planned 2019 downtown activities. Director Seders stated that their main focus this year will be on communication and branding. The Committee wants to send a stronger message of what the Gillette Main Street is, and what they do for Gillette. Dale Burbank, owner of Teacher's Corner & Kid's Mart, commented that downtown activities promote downtown businesses as well as the historical aspects of Gillette.

Parks Board Track Trails

Megan McManamen, Parks & Beautification Board Member, presented Council with the Board's proposal of erecting a kiosk station along the trail at McManamen Park. The kiosk would offer information about the park and the surrounding habitat. Self-guided Brochures would be available at the kiosk station, which would include an educational scavenger hunt activity to promote a fun way for participants to learn about McManamen Park and identify plants and animals in the area. After completion of the activity, participants could go on-line to claim a prize. The Board hopes to encourage families, youth groups, teachers and students to visit the park and enjoy the outdoors and educational activities. Ms. McManamen stated that the total start-up cost is \$8,000 and the board has received \$4,000 in donations. The Parks & Beautification Board is requesting funding from the City in the amount of \$4,000. Wyoming Game & Fish has offered to help design and customize the brochure to specifically reflect the habitat in the McManamen Park area. Council was in favor of proceeding with the project utilizing 1% funds.

Review April 16th Council Agenda

The Council Agenda items were reviewed and discussed.

City Administrator Davidson informed Council that the Fire Department has requested to close Wenger Drive, in the proximity of Fire Station #3, on May 8th and May 15th to allow them enough area to unroll and work with fire hoses. Because there was not enough notice to prepare a street closure for Council's approval, a permit was issued through the Engineering Department to allow an emergency street closure, which will meet the needs of the Fire Department.

Executive Session

Councilman Carsrud made a motion to move into an Executive Session to discuss personnel; seconded by Councilman Montgomery. All voted aye. The motion carried.

Adjournment

There being no further business to come before the Council, the meeting adjourned at 6:36 p.m. An audio recording of this meeting is available in the City Clerk's Office.

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ATTEST:

Cindy Staskiewicz, City Clerk

Louise Carter-King, Mayor

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