



Public Works Committee

Thursday, September 25, 2025 at 6:00 pm

Notice of Meeting

320 N Main St. Falls City, OR 97344

Committee Members

Mike McConnell - Tony Meier - Jeff Propp - Gordon Hanson - Guy Mack - Cliff Laude

1. Call to Order
2. Pledge of Allegiance
3. Motion to Adopt the Entire Agenda
4. Consent Agenda - Motion Action Approving Consent Agenda Items
 - a. July 17, 2025 Minutes

Attachments:

- Minutes (UAB07-17-25.pdf)

5. Public Comments
6. New Business
7. Old Business
 - a. Project Updates

Attachments:

- Report (2025.09.25_SR_Committee_Update.pdf)

8. Correspondence, Comments and Ex-Officio Reports
9. Committee Announcements
10. Adjourn

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**City of Falls City
Public Works Committee Meeting**

Thursday July 17, 2025 6:00PM
Meeting Location: 320 N. Main Street

Committee Members Present

Mike McConnell, Tony Meier, Cliff Lauder, Marty Haviland, Jeff Propp (6:05) Guy Mack. .Absent Gordon Hanson.

1) Call to Order

Chair McConnell called the meeting to order at 6:01 PM, took roll call.

2) Pledge of Allegiance

Chair McConnell led the Committee in the Pledge of Allegiance.

3) Motion to Adopt the entire Agenda

Member Mack moved and member Meier seconded: **that we approve the entire agenda.** Motion carried 5-0-0. Ayes: Mike McConnell, Tony Meier, Cliff Lauder, Marty Haviland, Guy Mack.

4) Consent Agenda: Motion Action Approving Consent Agenda Items

Member Meier moved and member Lauder seconded: **that we approve Consent Agenda Items, PWC Minutes March 6, 2025.** Motion carried. 6-0-0. Ayes: Mike McConnell, Tony Meier, Cliff Lauder, Jeff Propp, Marty Haviland, Guy Mack.

5) Public Comments - None

6) New Business

a. City Speed Limit

Committee reviewed and discussed the Staff Report/Current Speed Limits/Diagram on City Speed Limits. Committee consensus is that most drivers do and will continue to ignore posted signs but that the City should set consistent limits throughout town rather than have multiple limits. Member Propp moved and member Lauder seconded: **that the PWC recommends that City Council adopt 20 miles per hour limit for "School Zones" and 25 miles per hour for all other streets.** Motion carried: 6-0-0. Ayes: Mike McConnell, Tony Meier, Cliff Lauder, Jeff Propp, Marty Haviland, Guy Mack.

7) Old Business

a. Project Updates

PWC appreciates the updates on current infrastructure Projects. Chair McConnell believes that the Committee needs more (all) information/specifics about the Safe Routes to Schools, especially the ADA sidewalks. Chair McConnell moved and member Haviland seconded: **that the City provide all information concerning the Safe Routes to School with emphasis on the ADA sidewalks to the PWC.** Motion carried: 5-0-1. Ayes: Mike McConnell, Tony Meier, Cliff Lauder, Jeff Propp, Marty Haviland, Abstain: Guy Mack.

8) Correspondence, Comments and Ex-Officio Reports

PWC discussed the disposition/removal of the old bridge from Mitchell Street/Black Rock Road currently located next to the City Shop on Parry Road. Member Mack stated he has seen children playing on the structure making it an "Attractive Nuisance" and is concerned about the Liability if someone is injured while playing on it. Member Propp suggested the bridge be 'fenced off' until bridge is removed.

PWC recommends that the City stairs be cleaned and cleared of encroaching vegetation, repaired where necessary and the railing repainted. Chair McConnell suggested that the City and City Council explore the possibility of adding a chair lift to the stairs railing.

9) Committee Announcements - Next meeting TBD

10) Adjourn

Member Mack moved and member Lauder seconded: **that we adjourn.** Motion carried 6-0-0. Ayes: Mike McConnell, Tony Meier, Jeff Propp, Marty Haviland, Cliff Lauder, Guy Mack. Meeting adjourned at 7:01.

_____ Public Works Committee Chair McConnell

Attested: _____ Public Works Committee Member

STAFF REPORT

TO: PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE
FROM: CITY MANAGER, AJ FOSCOLI
SUBJECT: CURRENT INFRASTRUCTURE PROJECTS UPDATE REPORT
DATE: SEPTEMBER 25, 2025

Wastewater Treatment Facility project:

- Xylem is troubleshooting control panel to prep for switch-over from old system
- Strider finished street paving, will work on school campus paving in next 2-3 weeks
- Switch-over from old system will occur before Nov. 1

Safe Routes to School Pedestrian Island and ADA Sidewalk Project:

- North Santiam Paving has begun work on the Pedestrian Island and sidewalk on Mitchell
- Project is still scheduled from late August for a period of 120 days
- 5-foot widening of 5th and Prospect finished
- Some stormwater issues will be troubleshot on Prospect before rainy season

Water Mainline Replacement Project:

- Trench Line Excavation Inc. has begun work on the water line replacement
- Project is still scheduled from mid- August, for a period of 120 days
- Potholing is occurring at all locations to ensure lines will be located properly
- Business Oregon has approved a change of scope order to obligate all of the \$2.37 million of the IFA grant/loan contract (55% is grant, therefor the most that the city will have to get a loan for is \$1.1 million)

Dayton Street Pedestrian/Infrastructure Bridge:

- Business Oregon was tracking the bill to assist with a grant/loan package to replace the bridge, but it did not get approved
- Replacement of the bridge will be the next major infrastructure project

Frink Driveway Excess Water Runoff Solution:

- Funding agency will not allow this. Looking at alternatives.