



Public Works Committee

Thursday, January 23, 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 Lauder - Tracy young

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. November 21, 2024 Minutes

Attachments:

- **Minutes** (UAB11-21-24.pdf)

5. Public Comments
6. New Business
 - a. Dayton Foot Bridge

Attachments:

- **Report** (2025.01.23_SR_Committee_Update.pdf)

7. Old Business
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 November 21, 2024 6:00PM
Meeting Location: 320 N. Main Street

Committee Members Present

Mike McConnell, Tony Meier, Tracy Young, Cliff Lauder, Jeff Propp, Guy Mack. Absent Gordon Hanson. City Manager, AJ Foscoli attended meeting.

1) Call to Order

Chair McConnell called the meeting to order at 6:04 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 Meier moved and Member Young seconded: **that we approve the entire agenda.** Motion carried 6-0-0. Ayes: Mike McConnell, Tony Meier, Tracy Young, Cliff Lauder, Jeff Propp, Guy Mack.

4) Consent Agenda: Motion Action Approving Consent Agenda Items

Member Young moved and member Meier seconded: **that we approve Consent Agenda Items, PWC Minutes August 22, 2024.** Motion carried 6-0-0. Ayes: Mike McConnell, Tony Meier, Tracy Young, Cliff Lauder, Jeff Propp, Guy Mack.

5) Public Comments

Community residents, Chris and Dawn Martin of 112 Bridge Street, related to the Committee that they have witnessed many incidences of speeding and reckless turns from Bridge Street onto South Main Street and the potential risk to children and adults of injury. They support a City Staff Report that proposes a 4-way stop on S. Main Street/Parry Road/Bridge Street and added striping for crosswalks, especially with the added foot traffic to the new Resource Center.

Committee member Meier stated that some people will speed and run stops signs no matter what is done and raised safety concerns about the fence along S. Main Street at 112 Bridge St.

Committee member Propp said that it is difficult to see if people/cars are coming from N. Main Street and that a 4-way stop would improve safety. He also mentioned that the trees at the Post Office make it difficult to see vehicles on Bridge St. heading to N. Main Street.

City Manager AJ Foscoli informed Committee that 1/4 time County Deputies can be used to curtail speeders and that foot traffic safety to the Resource Center would be improved with a 4-way stop.

Chair McConnell moved that: **The PWC recommends to the City Council that a new 4-way stop be established at S. Main St./Parry Road/Bridge St. with new crosswalk striping with the understanding to revisit this issue by January 2026.** Member Mack seconded.

Motion carried 6-0-0. Ayes Mike McConnell, Tony Meier, Tracy Young, Cliff Lauder, Jeff Propp, Guy Mack.

6) New Business - None

7) Old Business

a. 4 - Way Stop See above discussion under Public Comments.

b. Park Bathroom Renovations - Update

City Manager Foscoli informed Committee members that the City was going to install new steel doors (possibly with key pad entry), new footings and hot water tank. City is also considering installing video cameras at the restrooms.

8) Correspondence, Comments and Ex-Officio Reports

a. Chair McConnell asked City Manager Foscoli about the road repair caused by new line placement on N. Main Street from Ellis Street east to the City limits. City Manager Foscoli said that the street would be completely dug up (7 to 8 foot deep) and repaired for the entire section.

b. Member Lauder said that now that we are in the 'rainy season' it would be an excellent time to have a qualified professional assess and propose a solution to the water runoff from Frink's driveway onto to N. Main Street. City Manager Foscoli said that he would bring this to the attention of the Engineers and Contractor before the final road repair.

c. Member Young informed the Committee that she regrettably had to resign from PWC since she no longer lives in Falls City. Resignation accepted.

9) Committee Announcements

Next meeting to be determined as needed.

10) Adjourn

Member Lauder moved and member Mack seconded: **that we adjourn** Motion carried 6-0-0. Ayes: Mike McConnell, Tony Meier, Tracy Young, Jeff Propp, Cliff Lauder, Guy Mack. Meeting adjourned at 7:00.

_____ 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: JANUARY 23, 2025

Wastewater Treatment Facility project:

- Cement work at High School is completed
- Electrical & Conduit work at the High School is ongoing
- Pond Lining work to mitigate “bubble” and repair from falling branch puncture is due before the end of January
- Pond Lining testing will take place once the pending lining troubleshooting items have been completed

Dutch Creek Bridge/Mitchell Street project:

- Construction work completed

Frink Driveway Excess Water Runoff Solution:

- We plan on submitting a change order to Strider for the road paving portion of the project on N. Main Street (part of the Wastewater Treatment Facility project) once all of the essential components at the lagoon are complete. We expect that the funding agency will not allow this, but we will ask anyway.

Dayton Street Pedestrian/Infrastructure Bridge:

- Engineering/Bridge consultant inspection completed on Jan. 17
- Result of inspection is as follows (email correspondence from DOWL):

“We have completed our inspection of the bridge earlier this afternoon. Once the inspection was completed, I invited Jon on site so we could go over our findings. Overall, the bridge is in **very poor condition**. Many of the timber columns and timber sills are severely decayed with many only being a **1” shell of good wood**. Also, the sage in the main span appears to be some severe decay to the exterior glulam girder. Based on our assessment of the structure, **we highly recommend that the City close the bridge to pedestrian traffic**. We recommend a hard barrier be placed at both ends of the bridge to prevent any users. Jon and you mentioned some motorcycles that may be using the bridge. A hard barrier would prevent them accessing the bridge. Once the bridge is closed, can you send us a photo so we can document the closure?

I will work on drafting a formal inspection report, but due to the severity of the situation, I wanted to provide a brief email to inform you of our findings.”