

City of Blytheville

Public Works Committee

May 13, 2019

Meeting Minutes

Committee Members:

- Councilman Jones
- Councilman Mayberry
- Councilman Perrin (C)

Others in Attendance:

- Councilwoman Brothers
- Councilwoman James
- Councilman Musgraves
- Director Mark Key

Agenda:

- I. Report from Director Mark Key
 - a. Storm Drain Repairs at Keith & Elm and Ash Ext at Lockard have been completed. Jowers won lowest bid for storm drain on Harrison St.
 - b. Demo List – 100 E. Cherry is complete and invoiced. Next house is 413 E. Moultrie.
 - c. Lighting – Mark was informed that Dever Electric was helping with the lighting issues at Sportsplex on ball fields and parking lots.
 - d. ADEQ Inspections at Transfer Station on South elm on 4/3/19 and had no violations. Inspection on PW yard on 4/18/19 with no violations.
 - e. Tires – PW hauled 258 tires to landfill on 4/12/19 and 4/16/19. The trailer at the landfill is first-come-first-serve basis; everyone is permitted to use it. Once filled, you must wait for another empty trailer to come in.

- II. Project Updates
 - a. Street Repair on Ruddle and Highland – Still waiting on the state

 - b. Coordination with State Hwy Dept – Mark is working directly with the director of MS County, Morris Philips. – Nothing needed from council for now

 - c. Farmers growing over easements – Mayor Sanders has been in contact with the MS County CoOp; nothing substantial to report yet.

- III. Issues for the Committee
 - a. Tire Redemption Program – Is something like this feasible?
Necessary?
 - i. Concern that this program could/would be abused. May not be necessary for now or there may be a better alternative.

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- b. Westminster – Fencing off north end - BGRAA has offered to donate the fencing. All the city would contribute would be concrete and labor. Will discuss again after PW's busy season.
- c. Elm St – The PW team is currently working on a plan. Will have more for us next month.

IV. Remarks & Questions Outstanding

- a. James Sanders brought three items to PW committee for approval to go to Finance:
 - i. New excavator for city at cost of \$152,594.25. This comes in under similar used machines. Committee approved.
 - ii. 4 new roll-off boxes at cost of \$4,995 each. Committee approved.
 - iii. Allocating \$30,000 for asbestos inspections in order to move forward with condemned housing demolition. Each inspection costs between \$1,200 and \$1,500. So, this number would allow for 20+ houses to be inspected for appropriated demolition. Committee approved.