

PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE REPORT to the BOARD OF SUPERVISORS  
Tuesday, March 26, 2019  
8:00 a.m.  
107 NORTH KENT STREET, SUITE 200, WINCHESTER, VIRGINIA

PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE ATTENDEES:

Committee Members Present: J. Douglas McCarthy, Chairman; Gary A. Lofton; Whitney "Whit" L. Wagner; Gene E. Fisher; Robert W. Wells; and Harvey E. "Ed" Strawsnyder, Jr.

Staff present: Joe C. Wilder, Director of Public Works; Mike Stewart, Senior Project Manager; Kevin Alderman, Shawneeland District Manager; Rod Williams, County Attorney; Kris Tierney, County Administrator; Mark Fleet, Building Official; Gloria Puffinburger, Solid Waste Manager; Wayne Corbett, Deputy Treasurer; Dennis Lineburg, Fire and Rescue Chief; Kenny Scott, Assistant Fire Marshal; Billy Pifer, Assistant Fire Marshal

**Attachment 1** – Agenda Packet

ITEMS FOR INFORMATION ONLY

1-Update Landfill and Public Works Projects.

We informed the committee that the projects at the Landfill are still on-going. The new leachate lagoon has been completed and is receiving leachate run-off. The new pump stations and leachate system shall be completed by the early summer.

We also updated the committee on several Public Works projects. We are awarding a contract to Perry Engineering Company, Inc. in the amount of \$17,592,682.83 to construct Crossover Boulevard. The project scope involves building a road connecting the city of Winchester and Route 522 South with a new bridge over Interstate 81. The project will begin construction in May and the project should be completed September 2021.

We are finishing up the bid package for the building addition at the Frederick County Esther Boyd Animal Shelter. As a reminder, over the last two years the animal shelter has received several large donations. It was recommended by the Public Works Committee and Board of Supervisors to build a training center at the shelter using the donated funds. We have been working on a building design for the past year and we are almost ready to go to bid. We plan to advertise the project for bid in April with bids due in May. We will then update the committee and seek project funding approval by the Board of Supervisors.

2-Update on the Waste Forum.

We let the committee know that the Public Works Department will be holding a Solid Waste Forum on Tuesday, April 2, 2019, at 7:00 pm at the Public Safety Building. It is open to the public and all are welcome to attend. We will have several power point presentations and informational tables to assist all in learning about Frederick County's Solid Waste collection system and the Regional Landfill.

3-Discuss the slope failure – Shawneeland Sanitary District.

We gave an update to the committee concerning a slope failure adjacent to Cherokee Lake. An area about ¼ acre has slid several feet down the slope towards our emergency spillway of Cherokee Dam. However, no impact of any soil/rock material has impacted the dam in any way. We have been monitoring the slide and Marsh & Legge Land Surveyors and our contract geotechnical engineer, Viola Engineering has evaluated the slide area. At this time, we will continue to monitor the slide area and if impacts are made to the spillway, we will clean up the material and stabilize the area. Currently, there is no safety issue to the public. The area was also inspected by the state dam official and he noted no impacts or issues with the dam.

4-Discuss fire safety inspection fees.

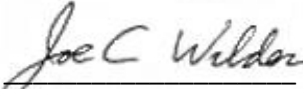
A discussion was held related to the proposed fire safety inspections fees. Fire and Rescue administrative staff brought forth a recommendation from the Public Safety Committee concerning the establishment of a fee schedule for fire safety inspections. In general, there was discussion among the Public Works Committee members that a fee schedule is needed, but the amounts of permit fees need more evaluation and research to achieve a final draft fee

schedule. To that end, a motion was made by Supervisor Lofton to recommend the establishment of a fire safety inspection fee schedule (TBD). The motion was seconded by committee member Whit Wagner. The motion was unanimously approved. Fire and Rescue staff was then instructed to go back and relook at a final fee schedule that considers building hazard classifications, base fees, reinspection fees, staff time involved and the types of businesses and industry that will need inspections and possible conflicts. Once the Fire & Rescue staff have re-evaluated the fee schedule, they will come back to the Public Works Committee for review and comment.

Respectfully submitted,

Public Works Committee

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Attachments: as stated

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