



Information Memorandum
6/15/2018

1. Public Works

Westside Sewer Interceptor (WSI)



Construction of schedule 1 for the Westside Sewer Interceptor officially started on June 12. The first schedule connects the new 30" sewer main into an existing manhole at 5th Ave W and 10th St W, then progressively heads west and north ending at the Bypass where an existing casing and pipe were installed in 2015. Schedules 2, 3, and 4 of the WSI are anticipated to start construction later this month.

Pavement Maintenance

LHC, Inc. will be performing mill and overlay road maintenance, for the city, in the following areas beginning June 12 through the first week of July.

- Buffalo Stage Road from Whitefish Stage to Granrud Lane
- Stillwater Lane from Buffalo Stage Road past the school through the intersection to Pheasant Run
- Pheasant Run from Stillwater Lane to Buffalo Stage
- Buffalo Square Court beginning



2. Police Department

On June 7, Detective Karen Webster was recognized as Officer of the Year by the Montana Chiefs of Police Association at their annual convention. Detective Webster was nominated for her outstanding work investigating crimes against children and sex crimes.

Officer Jason Parce and Cairo are participating in the annual Kids Camp this week on

Flathead Lake. Officer Parce has been a regular at Kids Camp for several years.

On June 12, KPD conducted new officer testing. KPD had 24 applicants begin the testing process.

Officer Dan Williams is in Spokane this week attending drug interdiction training program.

On June 4 and 5, Kalispell Police Officers completed the annual Use of Force recertifications. Officers received updates on laws, new court cases, as well as continued training on the taser, handcuffing, and ground procedures.

On May 31, Edgerton Elementary held a special assembly to thank outgoing School Resource Officer Chad Fetveit.

On May 29 and 30, Officer Jason Parce and Cairo conducted a presentation for home school students.

3. Fire Department

Since the last update, the Kalispell Fire Department has received 137 calls for service and has conducted 1 outreach training. Department staff also assisted with a child safety seat clinic that was held at Station 62 on June 1.

Fire department staff have been conducting new candidate testing and interviews this past week.

The department is making repairs and doing inventory of the Type 6 Wild Land unit in order to have it ready for service for grass fire season.

4. Parks Department

Contract forestry pruning work is taking place on the east side of Kalispell. Nearly 300 trees have been pruned through the current contract with another 200 remain. A 124-unit stump-grinding contract has been completed. Last week, Community Forestry Consultants were in Kalispell updating 20% of our tree inventory. This data will be used to put together future pruning contracts.

On June 11, Josh Keene began working as Kalispell's City Arborist. Josh comes to us from Davey Tree Resource group where he consulted utility companies in California. Before that, he spent seven years on a tree pruning crew for Asplundh in Pennsylvania.

With the school year ending, the Parks Department has been able to bring on several new seasonal staff to help with the parks workload. With increased use of city maintained parks during weekends, we now have staff working through the weekend to help clean and restock restrooms and empty trashcans from our parks.

Camp Woodland is officially open. Demand for spots this summer has been high. We are 99% percent full for the summer. We have two new supervisors this summer, Becky Groose and Siane Nash. For field trips this week, the kids will be visiting Lone Pine State Park and going bowling at Pick's.



The Woodland Water Park also opened this past week. We had school groups from Stillwater Christian School on June 5, and Kalispell Middle School on June 7. We officially opened to the public on June 9. Unfortunately, we are anticipating low numbers and/or some closings this first week due to forecasts of cold temperatures.

5. Building Department

In the last 2 weeks, we have issued permits for 6 single family/duplex and/or townhouse units. That will bring the total of new single family/duplex and townhouse units for the year to 33, compared to 46 last year at this time.

The building permits for Edgerton, Hedges, and Russell elementary schools were issued. The total project valuation is approximately \$4.1 million.

Town Pump at 2950 Hwy 93 S (Four Corners) has been issued a permit for the new fuel island canopy. This project is valued at \$175,000.

The department conducted 20 fire life safety inspections of existing businesses and 9 short term rental inspections in May. All of US 93 South has been inspected. The focus will shift to commercial properties on Airport Road. We have also completed initial inspections on all the hotels in the city and will be placing them on an annual inspection schedule.

6. Planning Department

The Planning Board held a work session during the June 12 board meeting to discuss two items. The draft urban renewal plan which identifies specific redevelopment goals and projects in the downtown as enumerated in the recently adopted Kalispell Downtown Plan was reviewed. Staff indicated that they will try to finalize the draft plan for a public hearing at the planning board in either July or August. The board also discussed the 50 acre PUD called Montana Base Camp proposed by Andrew Matthews of Orlando, Florida in anticipation of the planning board hearing scheduled for the July 10 board

meeting. The applicant is proposing a 330-space facility on the Siderius Commons PUD site situated ¼ mile west of the US 93 Bypass/US 93 South intersection on the south side of the Bypass diagonally southwest of the first roundabout. Access would be by the US 93 Bypass on the north and Ashley Meadow Road on the south. The first phase would be 63 spaces and would be served by municipal water and sewer.

7. Community Development

The Kalispell TIGER project trail and complete street public outreach planning event was held the week of June 4-8. We asked for community input on development of the trail to replace the current rail line running through Kalispell. Over 500 people participated throughout the week, providing feedback on trail images and riding the rail in speeders to get firsthand knowledge of the area to be redeveloped. At the end of the week, preliminary design concepts were shared based on the previous four days' discussions. The City will continue to seek comment on these concepts through the summer and expect to provide designs in the fall.

