



Town Hall Forum

Clyde Park, Montana

Meeting Guidelines

We will...

- consider the good of all in everything we do
- treat one another with respect, dignity and kindness
- be curious of differences of opinion
- assume good intent
- listen to understand
- be solution oriented



Meet Your Councilmembers

The Year in Review: Highlights

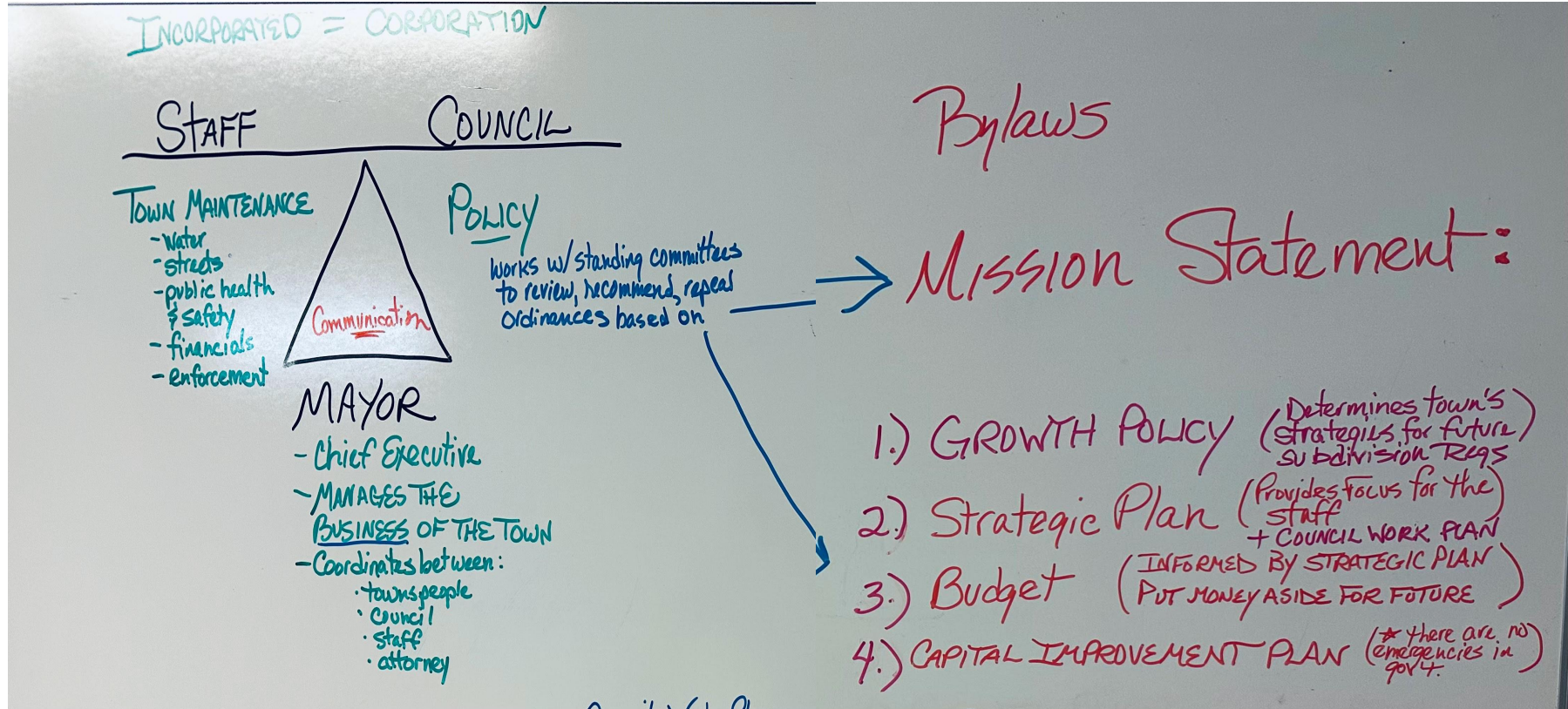
- **Data Fiber Line**
- **Cleaned up and rearranged Town Hall**
- **Developed a Town Website**
- **Cleared up Federal I.D. to receive ARPA Funds**
- **Completed Water Main by school, paid for by ARPA Funds**
- **Hired Great West Engineering**
- **Received grants totalling 72K for PER**
- **PER study on Town Water System in progress**
- **Cleaned Water Reservoir Tank**
- **Lead and Copper project**
- **Applying for a grant to add a SCADA monitoring system at the wells, and for painting and making improvements to Town Hall**
- **Applied for a grant to make activity improvements to Holliday Park**



History of Clyde Park Governance



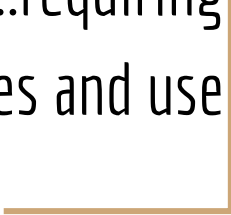
Roles of the Mayor and Council members





1.402 Municipal Police Powers

In the most general sense, the police power is the power to legislate for the public health, order, safety, morals and welfare. ..requiring that those who are within the town's jurisdiction conduct themselves and use their property so as not to unnecessarily injure others.



Town Codes (Ordinances)

An ordinance is a municipal law that often imposes a sanction for violation.

Montana law at 7-1-4123 and 7-1-4124 specifically authorize municipalities to adopt, amend and repeal ordinances and resolutions that are required to:

1. Preserve peace and order and secure freedom from dangerous or noxious activities;
2. Secure and promote the general public health and welfare;
3. Provide any service or perform any function authorized or required by state law;
4. Exercise any power granted by state law;
5. Levy any tax authorized by state law for public or governmental purposes subject to 15-10-420;
6. Appropriate public funds;
7. Impose a special assessment reasonably related to the cost of any special service or special benefit provided by the municipality or impose a fee for the provision of a service;
8. Grant franchises; and
9. Provide for its own organization and the management of its affairs.

Why are ordinances important?



So what if we don't like form of town management?

Government Review

The purpose of a study commission is to “*study the existing form and powers of a local government and procedures for delivery of local government services and compare them with other forms available under the laws of the state*”

Municipal Government Types

Town Meeting Form

Citizens meet in an annual town meeting

Commission Form

County government

Commission-Presiding Officer Form

Presiding officer elected from among members

Commission-Executive (council-mayor) Form

Citizen-elected Council and Mayor

Commission-Manager Form

Citizen-elected Council with Hired Manager

Finances and Budgeting

Definition: “A municipal budget is a legally required plan of expenditure” for all funds

Budget Cycle is July 1 to June 30

Specific appropriation of public funds

Sets annual property tax mill levy (legislature)

Serves as historic documentation and plan to address civic problems

Each stream of revenue and associated expenses must be accounted for

Final adoption should culminate council’s policy-making and begin executive resource management

So when we say “we don’t have enough money,” it means;

- Not enough revenue to balance budget against needs and goals
- Not enough money in the fund it would draw from
- Not enough money to fund all services, essential and desired, including future needs
- Inflation and rising costs of labor, goods and services outpace static revenue
- Costs of retention programs

Municipal Government Revenue Sources

Two Primary Sources:

1. Local Tax Revenue

- Locally-imposed property tax is largest single source
 - Two variables: 1. Taxable value of property; 2. Annual mill levy
 - Resort taxes can provide important supplementary source

2. Non-Tax Revenue

Fees for Services, Fines and Forfeitures

Earned Interest

Intergovernmental Revenues

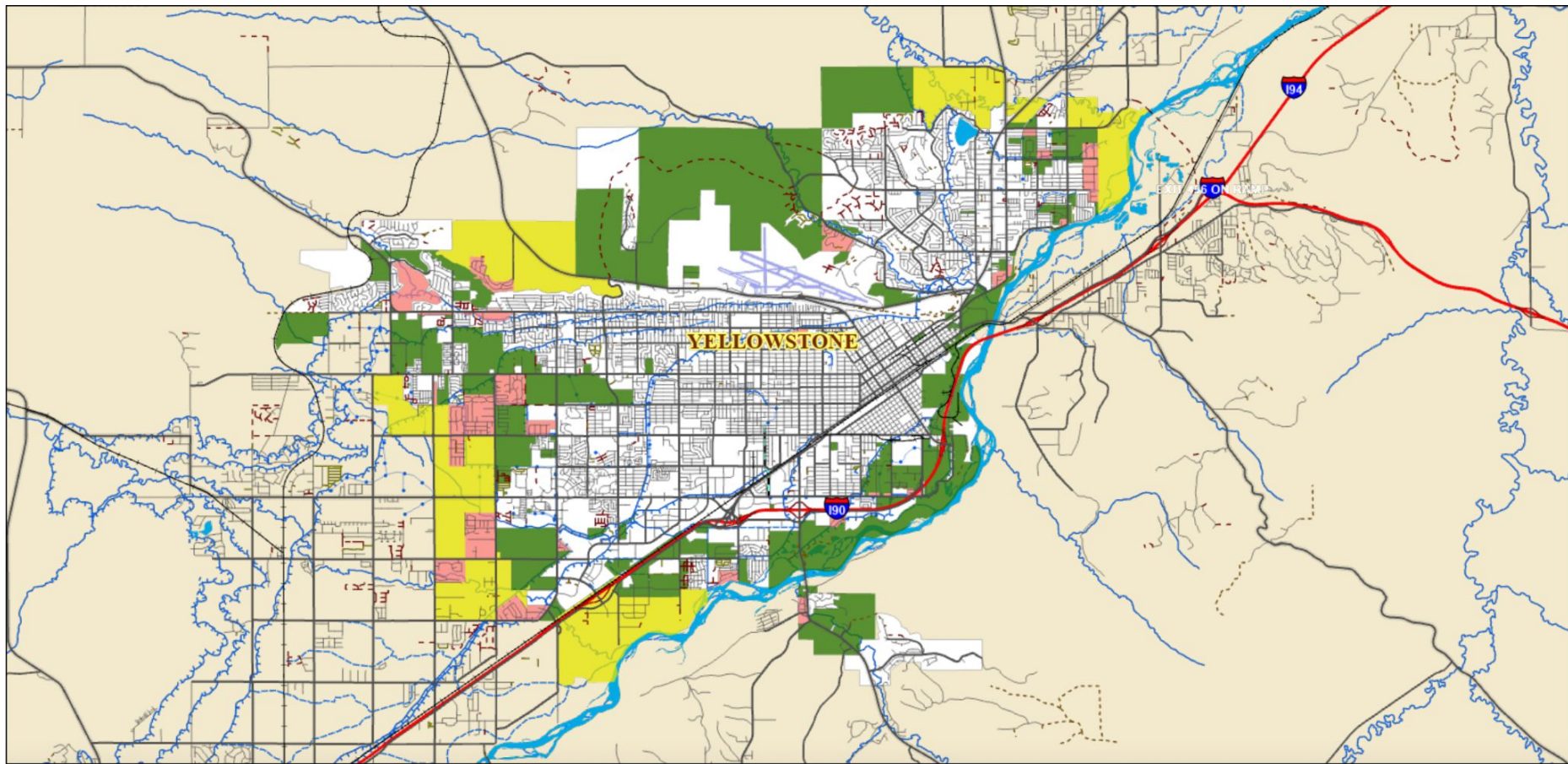
SID (Special Improvement District) TIF (Tax Increment Financing) Bid
(Business Improvement District)



Looking Ahead

Planning for Growth







Growth Policy

This is our Guiding Light to the future

Last updated in 2022

Next required update in 2027

- The important elements we want to keep
- The guardrails we should put in place to discourage or prevent the elements we don't want
- The infrastructure we need to develop to accommodate future demand
- The policies we need or need to change in order to support those elements
- The budget priorities we need to adopt to project a healthy financial future

Infrastructure Needs & Challenges: Water System

- **Repair & Replace**
Find leaks and repair
Replace old water mains
- **Expansion**
Find and Develop more water sources
- **Monitoring**
Add SCADA to wells
Inspect, test and replace meters
Remote reading of meters
- **Costs**
Raise rates regularly
New Development shares cost burden
- **Conservation**

Leaks are very hard to find given the rocky and cavernous terrain we're on

Very costly, time-consuming and disruptive

Specialists, legal assistance, ramifications

Grant applied for

Costly and time-consuming

Time and cost saving but costly start-up

Compliance with MCA but hard on consumers

Water and Site Permits, fees, impact fees

Pay down previous loan

Participation

Infrastructure Needs & Challenges: Sewer System

- **Conduct a Study to prepare for need to replace and develop**
 - Long-range**
 - Costly, but may be required sooner than later**
 - PER by Great West**
 - Included in Capital Improvement Plan**
 - Grants**

Infrastructure Needs & Challenges: Streets & Traffic

- **Control Traffic Speed**
- **Create safer Pedestrian Zones, add Crosswalks, and improve Sidewalks**
- **Repair, Improve and Develop Storm Water Control**
- **Improve Street Surfaces**

Straw Poll: Continue to Coat Streets with
Magnesium Chloride?

Infrastructure Needs & Challenges: Fire Coverage & Prevention

- **Rebuild, Contract or Consolidation?**
- **Prevention**
 - **Removal of Fire Fuels**
 - **Mowing, trimming, weed removal**
 - **Combustible materials**
 - **Establishing spring “clean up” day**
 - **Creating “defensible spaces”**
 - **Drought-resistant landscaping**
 - **Fire Marshall and Town CSO inspections**
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Rebuild or Contract – extremely costly

Consolidation – time consuming, legal steps, determining participation and assistance levels, obtaining collaboration and communication

Communication, participation and coordination



Straw Poll:

Negotiating agreement with Clyde Park Rural Fire Department



Preparation for the Future

Growth Policy Review in 2027

Engagement in the Process

Volunteers

Compliance

Community Engagement

Good Neighbor Policy

Opportunities to Get Involved

Councilmember

Openings for 2 - 3

Councilmembers!

Filing is open April - June

Election is this November

Volunteering for Committees

- **Communications and Events
Committee**
- Park & Recreation Committee**
- Ordinance Review Committee**
- Planning Board**
- Growth Policy**
- Zoning**
- Cemetery Board**

Staffing

Clerk/Treasurer

Deputy Clerk

Community Service Officer

Deputy Community Service Officer

Town Marshall

Town Police Magistrate

Communications

Phone

Email

Mail

Website

Facebook/Social Media

Town Alert System

In-Person





Dan Johnston, Superintendent Graham Gilmore, SVSD Trustee

Shields Valley Schools
School Building Renovation Project and Bond Issue
Updates



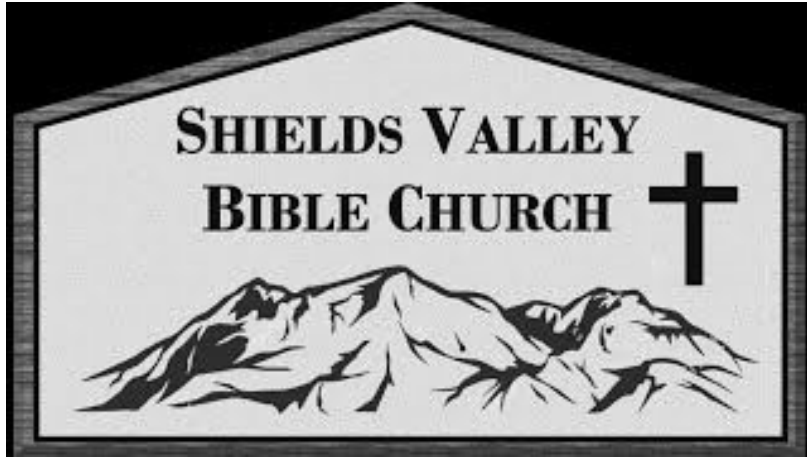


Jeff Brandner & Norman Hackl

Developer and Engineer

Sunnyside Meadows

Sincere Thanks to...





Thank you for attending tonight!

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