

## THE CITY OF AUGUSTA

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TO:

Mayor and City Council

FROM:

Bill Bridgeo

RE:

Administrative Report

DATE:

May 29, 2018

## Meetings:

A ribbon-cutting ceremony celebrating the completion of the beginning quarter mile of the Kennebec River Rail Trail will take place tomorrow, Wednesday, May 30<sup>th</sup>, beginning at noon at the new entrance on Front Street. City Engineer Lionel Cayer and Community Services Director Leif Dahlin are both extremely enthusiastic about this event and hope you can make it.

There will be a meeting of the Ad-Hoc Marijuana Policy Advisory Committee on Wednesday, May 30, 2018 at 6:00 p.m. in Conference Room A.

A Special City Council Meeting is scheduled for 7:00 p.m. on Thursday, May 31<sup>st</sup> in Council Chambers. The only item on the agenda is the Appropriation Resolve and there will be no premeeting.

On Friday, June 1<sup>st</sup>, Deputy Chief Mills will be sworn in as the new City of Augusta Police Chief. The swearing-in will take place in Council Chambers at 9:00 a.m.

## Other Items:

As I mentioned the other night, we had a successful bid opening last week for the construction of the main elements of the Hatch Hill Landfill Methane-to-Electricity conversion project. Please see the enclosed summary memorandum and bid tabulation prepared by DPW Director Lesley Jones. Kudos go out to all of the members of City staff and to our consultants at Woodward and Curran for all of the great work that has gone into this project so far.

Thanks must also go out to the members of our Fire and Public Works Departments (and the area mutual aid fire departments) for their exhaustive efforts to contain and extinguish the two landfill fires that occurred over the weekend at Hatch Hill. Although there is, at this time, no definitive established cause of the fires, hopefully it is something inadvertent like woodstove ashes or some chemical interaction. — not a human cause.

Reports are that the Travis Mills Foundation benefit road race that we hosted in downtown Augusta was a huge success. I'm advised that the organizers reached their goals. We look forward to hosting this great event annually going forward.

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