

Council Legislative Committee

DATE: Wednesday, April 26, 2023

TIME: 4:00 PM

PLACE: City Hall Conference Room

210 N. 27th Street, Billings, MT-

ATTENDANCE:

Mayor/Council: ☐ Kendra Shaw – Ward 1; ☒ Roy Neese – Ward 2; ☒ Danny Choriki – Ward 3
 ☒ Pam Purinton – Ward 4; ☒ Tom Rupsis – Ward 5

Staff: Chris Kukulski, Wyeth Friday

Public: Mayor Bill Cole

Agenda

PUBLIC COMMENT

(Public comment is limited to three minutes or as set by the presiding officer. Please sign in on the roster provided Comments are to be directed to agenda items and items within the scope of this committee)

TOPIC # 1 –

Bills passed/tabled

PRESENTER

Members

**NOTES /
OUTCOME:**

- HB 5 - \$8M appropriation to reservoir project in process
- SB 407 – Conference committee. OK for Billings
- HB 874 – Second reading passed
- SB 382 – In Senate concurring with House amendments
- SB 323 – On way to Governor
- SB 245 – Conference committee being formed
- HB 914 – No concern
- SB 528 – On second reading
- Two TIF bills tabled but still being watched carefully
- Two even year voting bills, partisan elections, one member ward bills tabled but still being watched
- Public safety bills – Need to keep encouraging support (SB 89, SB 94, SB 95, SB 96, SB 19, etc.)

TOPIC # 2 -

Discuss and formulate options on current bills in the legislature and on the Crowley Fleck report. (50 min)

PRESENTER

Chris Kukulski

**NOTES /
OUTCOME:**

N/A

TOPIC # 3

Open Discussion on other bills Next steps @ 24:15

NOTES / OUTCOME:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Document lessons learned for next session's committee • Recap with Aimee & Steve (June 14 meeting) • Review impacts for city on passed bills and develop report to Council • Next meeting will be May 10 • Change meetings to monthly starting in May • Consider having some legislative committee members help on intergovernmental affairs committee. Need to address resolution establishing committees. Maybe after budget is passed in June.
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Public Comment	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Bill Cole – Question/comment on how licensing change (SB 262) will affect Billings (re: massage ordinance). Curious how committee feels about Crowley's performance as our lobbyist.
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Adjourn by 5:00 PM	@ 42:42
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