City of McCausland

Departments and Council Appointments

2020

**Parks and Recreation** – Parks, playgrounds, community center, ball fields, trails. Department Head also serves as a Liaison to the Park Board. Reports to the City Council on Park Board activities for the past month. Councilman Lloyd Claussen 563-225-2585

**Public Works** – Streets (improvement and maintenance), solid waste, building permits, water, sewer. Receives information from John Ploog for report to City Council on a monthly basis. Councilman Brian Holland 309-236-1019

**Public Safety** – Police, Fire Department Liaison, public health issues. Reports to Council Monthly in the absence of the Police or Fire Chief. Councilman Sally Wuestenberg 563-225-2083

**Community & Economic Development** – Community beautification, tourism, business recruitment and retention. Keeps abreast of businesses in town and tourism opportunities. May create a committee if the need arises. Coordinates Community Beautification activities (such as spring cleanup) as well as other city maintenance provided by professional services. This department includes liaison to the Labor Day Committee. Web site oversight. Councilman Karen Carsten, 563-225-2544

**General Government and Finance** – Policy and administration, finance committee, budget review, fiscal planning, audit oversight. Website oversight. Councilman Bill Gillespie 563-570-1270

The mayor appoints the Department Head. If there is a citizen committee, that committee would appoint its own chair and the Council person acts as a liaison. When an issue presents itself, the committee members meet, discuss and vote on it. The committee then presents it to council for a discussion and vote. The Council liaisons to committees do not have the power to vote at the committee level, only at the Council level. It is each council person’s responsibility to manage or watch over the budget for that department to be sure it is staying within budgeted guidelines. All expenses (no matter who spent the money) will be credited to the line item that it is used for.