



DPW BUILDING PROJECT INFO



SCOPE OF WORK

Construction of a roughly 20,000 square foot facility at 1415 44th Street.

BACKGROUND

A needs assessment was conducted with the assistance of Lakewood Construction in May 2022. Since then the Utilities Committee has been reviewing the assessment and recommended the construction of a new building.

WHY DO WE NEED A NEW BUILDING?

The current building which houses all vehicles, equipment supplies, and storage for Public Works, Parks, and Cemetery was built in 1980 when the population was 26,214 residents. With the growth of the Township, the building has been renovated four times (1982, 1990, 1998, and 2018). Even with renovations, the current building is not adequate for the needs of our community of over 55,000 residents. A new building will help us continue our high level of service to our growing community.

WILL THIS INCREASE OUR TAXES?

No. The Water and Sewer Fund is separate from the General Fund. The General Fund is supported by tax dollars. The DPW building will be paid for from the water and sewer account, not from taxes.

IS THIS THE REASON FOR THE WATER/SEWER RATE INCREASE?

No. The water/sewer rate study conducted by the accounting firm Baker Tilly took into account the projected costs of all water/sewer capital improvement projects over the next 10 years as well as the rising costs of wholesale water that is purchased from the City of Wyoming.

WHAT IS THE TIMELINE FOR THE PROJECT?

Bidding will take approximately 7 1/2 months so the earliest start date would be August 2024, with a tentative completion date of May 2025.

