

City of Medical Lake
Regular Council Meeting
S. 124 Lefevre Street, 6:30 P.M.
August 21, 2012

Mayor Higgins called the regular meeting to order at 6:30 p.m.

Council present: A. J. Burton Shirley Maike Jeff King
 Art Kulibert Brenda Redell Howard Jorgenson
 Laura Parsons

Council Absent: None.

Staff present: Doug Ross Cindy McMullen Pam McBroom Jeff Estes
 Jennifer Hough Steve Cooper Darrell Pasher Larry
 Lynch

Others present: Cheney Free Press reporter James Eik and 8 citizens.

ADDITIONS/DELETIONS TO AGENDA:

MINUTES:

Councilmember Maike made a motion, seconded by Redell to approve the Regular Council Meeting Minutes for June 19, 2012 and July 17, 2012. Council polled; all ayes.

INTERESTED CITIZENS: AUDIENCE REQUESTS AND COMMENTS:

Lahnie Henderson – 611 E. Ladd, ML

Mrs. Henderson commented on the issue of firework displays and the concerns she has with how it affects her yard and home. She would like the council to reconsider banning fireworks in City of Medical Lake. She proposed that possible there could be a public community display, maybe at the high school. She also voiced she is opposed to the city employees having to clean up the mess people leave after the 4th of July.

MAYORS REPORT

PROCLAMATIONS, PRESENTATIONS & RECOGNITION:

Mayor Higgins presented recognition award to Robert Kibling for Founder's Day.

Department of Ecology presented the WWTP an Outstanding Performance award for the 2nd year in a row for having perfect compliance.

APPOINTMENTS/RESIGNATIONS:

Corey Stevens – Fire Captain

Matthew Eaton-Firefighter

Jeff Estes introduced Matthew as a new firefighter. He previously worked with Seattle and has 3 years experience.

MEETINGS AND OTHER INFORMATION:

Lee Taylor, Director at Project Access gave a presentation thanking the City for their support and explaining what they do for the community. They are asking for continued support in 2013.

STAFF REPORT:

Resoluton No. 478; Appointment of Agent to Receive Claims

Per RCW 4.96, they City must appoint agent to receive claims for damages. Councilmember Jorgenson made a motion, seconded by Burton to approve Resolution No. 478: Appointment of Agent to Receive Claims. Council polled; all ayes

Bob Solo and Marcus Munn presented a proposal to the city to provide High Speed wireless technology. It will provide the Citizens with another option for internet provider. There will only be three small antennas so very low impact. Councilmember Kulibert made a motion to approve, seconded by councilmember Redell. Council polled; all ayes. Doug Ross will work with City Attorney to prepare a contract.

Doug Ross, City Administrator also commented on the power outages from the storm. Power was restored around three o'clock. He also commented on how well the movies in the park went, there was a great turnout. About 150 people attended.

FINANCE:

Doug Ross, council and staff presented the Finance Director Pam McBroom with an plaque honoring her retirement and years of service with the City.

PLANNING REPORT:

None.

PARKS AND RECREATION COMMITTEE REPORT:

Committee proposed that the skate park be closed and the equipment be liquidated. Councilmember Redell reported that the crime rate has dropped since the closing. They discussed what the money from liquidating the equipment could be used for. Councilmember Kulibert stated that there are smaller children returning to the park now. Councilmember Jorgenson made a motion to approve, seconded by councilmember Burton. Council polled; all ayes.

West Plains over 40 Softball league made a donation of \$1,776.04. Council suggested ideas on how they would like the money used. Councilmember Redell made a motion to approve donation, seconded by councilmember Maike. Council polled; all ayes.

Resolution 479 was proposed, establishing a City Wellness Program. This will hopefully eliminate some sick leave used as well as give the city a 2% premium discount once the city is in full compliance. Ashley King will be the coordinator. Councilmember Redell made a motion to approve, seconded by councilmember Maike. Council polled; all ayes

PUBLIC WORKS/RECYCLING COMMITTEE REPORT:

Administrator Ross reported that the SR 902 project will be complete 8/31/2012 and he has applied for 3 more grants. He also reported on the proposal from Black Dot Wireless to purchase the AT&T site. They were offering the city a onetime cash payment for the right to lease their existing site on the water tower for the next 40 years. Councilmember Jorgenson made a motion to deny purchase, seconded by councilmember Redell. Council polled; all ayes.

PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE REPORT:

Councilmember Kulibert reported a record number of calls for fires. Council and staff thanked the fire department for a good job in their response times and control of the 14 acre fire by Denny's and several small brush fires.

MEMBERS REPORTS:

Councilmember Parsons commented on some information she read on the history of the Eastern State Hospital. She said it was very interesting. Councilmember Jorgenson commented how nice the improvements at the Middle School are as well as the tennis courts behind the High School.

CONSENT AGENDA:

Approval of Claims and Payroll

Payroll Warrant numbers 10119 - 10139 for \$133,785.60 and Claim Warrant numbers 25098 - 25150 for \$38,554.22 (dated Aug 7, 2012); Claim Warrant numbers 25151 – 25226 for \$240,406.88 (dated Aug 21, 2012). Councilmember Maike made a motion to approve. Councilmember Jorgenson seconded. Council polled; all ayes.

OLD BUSINESS:

None.

DISCUSSION OF ADDITIONS TO THE AGENDA:

None.

EXECUTIVE SESSION:

None.

ADJOURNMENT:

Mayor Higgins adjourned the meeting at 7:26 p.m.

Mayor Higgins

City Clerk / Finance Director