

City of Medical Lake
Regular Council Meeting
S. 124 Lefevre Street, 6:30 PM
March 17, 2009

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

Council present: Shirley Maike Jeff King A. J. Burton
 Brenda Redell Howard Jorgenson John Paikuli

Council Absent: Art Kulibert.

Councilmember Maike made a motion, seconded by Redell to excuse Councilmember Kulibert from this council meeting. Council polled; all ayes.

Staff present: Doug Ross Cindy McMullen Pam McBroom
 Bryan Musser Jason Mayfield Ellen Fender
 Judge Kayne Jessica Roberts

Others present: Cheney Free Press Reporter Cara Lorella and 3 visitors.

ADDITIONS TO AGENDA:

None.

MINUTES:

March 3, 2009 Regular Meeting

Motion by Councilmember Maike; second by Redell to approve the minutes of the March 3, 2009 Regular Council Meeting. Council polled; all ayes.

INTERESTED CITIZENS: AUDIENCE REQUESTS AND COMMENTS:

None.

MAYORS REPORT

PROCLAMATIONS, PRESENTATIONS & RECOGNITION:

None.

APPOINTMENTS:

None.

MEETINGS AND OTHER INFORMATION:

STAFF REPORT:

Mayor Higgins asked council what direction they wanted staff to go pertaining to the preliminary negotiations of a contract for police services with Spokane County. There was council and staff discussion. It was determined that City Administrator Ross will put together a list for council's review, of requests/requirements that will be needed for the preliminary negotiations. This will be put back on the agenda for discussion at the next meeting. Citizens will have the opportunity to ask questions if they have any.

Municipal Court Report: Judge Richard B. Kayne

Judge Kayne addressed council with his yearly Municipal Court update. He reviewed the trends in court filings over the past four years. Excluding 2007 (which was high) the stats are close to the same. One increase the last couple of years has been in Criminal Non-Traffic cases. This includes domestic violence type cases. He gave an update on the OPD Grant received last year and what that money was used for. Judge Kayne also noted that Jessica Roberts, Court Administrator is doing a great job and he is pleased to be working with her. Council thanked the judge for the presentation. They had no questions. City Administrator Ross talked about the updates that have been done in the court to improve security, etc. He thanked Building Inspector Weisbeck who was largely responsible for getting the changes/updates implemented.

PARKS AND RECREATION COMMITTEE REPORT:

Councilmember Redell had no report. Administrator Ross reported that maintenance is preparing the restrooms in the park for opening and the skate park should be open by spring break.

FINANCE:

None.

PLANNING REPORT:

None.

PUBLIC WORKS:

Administrator Ross updated council on the following items:

- The compost trailer is open for use.
- Staff is getting quotes on the cost to repair the WFP bathhouse roof that was damaged when trees fell in the park.
- Ross has applied for stimulus money to possibly purchase an alternative fuel vehicle and money that might be used as the city's matching funds for the Prentis Street Project.

PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE REPORT:

EMS Prehospital Participation Grant

The Fire Dept. is requesting permission to submit a WA State DOH 2009 Prehospital Participation Grant in the amount of \$1,650. The Dept. applies for the grant annually and the money will be used to update existing EMS equipment and supplies. Councilmember Redell made a motion to approve the Fire Department request to submit the 2009 WA State DOH Prehospital Participation Grant for \$1,650. Motion was seconded by Councilmember King. Council polled; all ayes.

Intergovernmental COPLINK Sharing Agreements; ILJAOC, RAIN, LASD

Administrator Ross asked City Attorney McMullen to explain the three COPLINK Sharing Agreements. Attorney McMullen reported that the three agreements each deal with the Automated Records Retrieval and Electronic Sharing Technology Consortium, which is an association for northwest law enforcement agencies which share law enforcement information using a COPLINK Solution software package. The sharing agreements presented tonight will expand the access through COPLINK to include the Regional Automated Information Network (Oregon Law Enforcement Agencies), Integrated Law and Justice Agency for Orange County (ILJAOC) and the Los Angeles County Sheriff's Department. This will expand the Police Department's access to important information and also integrate our information into these other systems allowing the members of the consortium to have information, including reports, regarding law enforcement actions in other, neighboring jurisdictions. After discussion, Councilmember Maike made a motion seconded by Paikuli to approve the three Intergovernmental COPLINK Sharing Agreements and authorize the Mayor to sign them. Council polled; all ayes.

MEMBER REPORTS:

Councilmember Jorgenson reported that he will not be able to attend the next council meeting, he will be in Olympia.

CONSENT AGENDA:

Approval of Claims and Payroll

Claim Warrants 16401 through 16461 in the amount of \$90,980.08; Payroll Warrants 8783 through 8785 in the amount of \$20,500.00 and Public Defender Contracts for Melanie Joy Caldwell, Donald J. Richter and David R. Hearrean were approved by motion from Councilmember Jorgenson, second by Paikuli. Council all voted aye.

OLD BUSINESS:

None.

DISCUSSION OF ADDITIONS TO THE AGENDA:

None.

EXECUTIVE SESSION:

Mayor Higgins called for an executive session at 7:03 p.m. to last for approximately 15 minutes to discuss – *Negotiations on the performance of publicly bid contracts when public knowledge regarding such consideration would cause the likelihood of increased costs.* After the executive session, the council will reconvene the regular session. The council will take no action on the issue discussed in executive session.

ADJOURNMENT:

Mayor Higgins adjourned the meeting at 7:18 p.m.

Mayor Higgins

City Clerk / Finance Director