

City of Medical Lake  
Regular Council Meeting  
March 17, 2015

Mayor Higgins called the regular meeting to order at 6:30 pm. The Council, staff and audience said the Pledge of Allegiance.

**Council present:** Howard Jorgenson Shirley Maike John Paikuli  
Art Kulibert AJ Burton Destiny Stein  
Laura Parsons

**Staff present:** Doug Ross Cindy McMullen

**Others present:** Cory Stevens 5 citizens 1 Cheney Free Press reporter

**Additions to the agenda:** Excused Absence for Councilmember Parsons for April 7, 2015.  
Councilmember Jorgenson moved approval; Councilmember Paikuli seconded the motion. Council polled; all voted aye. Motion passed.

**Interested citizens:** Keith Harlan addressed the Council regarding the proposal for curbside recycling. He reminded the Council that the purpose of the City establishing the recycling center was to keep costs low for the citizens. He asked the Council to keep the need to keep costs low, especially for the many citizens on fixed incomes, when making their decision.  
Jessica Roberts addressed the Council regarding the updated City website and Facebook page, both of which she appreciates. She also stated that curbside recycling would be very beneficial and lead her to recycle more.

**SCHEDULED ITEMS:**

**Mayor's Report:**

1. **Proclamations, Presentations and Recognitions.** The Mayor and Assistant Fire Chief Stevens recognized the two finalists for West Palms Chamber of Commerce Best of the West Awards: Fire Captain William Allen for First Responder and the Medical Lake Fire Department for Non-Profit Agency. The Awards will be given out at a ceremony at Northern Quest Casino on March 20, 2015.
2. **Appointments :** None.
3. **Meeting and Other Information:** The Mayor met with officials at Lakeland Village and Eastern State Hospital to advise them that the City will soon be presenting its bill to the State for law enforcement and fire services. The City will be dealing directly with DSHS in Olympia, not the local representatives. The Mayor announced that the next citizens committee regarding deer will be held on March 18, 2015.
4. **Staff Report:** Mr. Ross presented Resolution 496 Setting Utility Rates and Fees, which includes proposed increased garbage rates to cover curbside recycling. The increase in rates is necessary if the Council wishes to institute curbside recycling. Marc Torre and Steve Wolfe of Sunshine Disposal answered Councilmembers' questions. Councilmember Parsons moved approval of Resolution 496; Councilmember Stein seconded the motion. Council polled; all voted aye. Motion passed.  
**Mr. Ross** introduced the 2015 Amendment to the Contract with Sunshine Disposal which adds curbside recycling to the services provided by the Contractor. He reminded the Council that the cost from the contractor to the City will be increased by \$5.75 but that the City will only increase

the charges to each account by \$3.00. Councilmember Parson moved approval of the contract; Councilmember Stein seconded. Council polled; all voted aye. Motion passed.

**Mr. Ross** advised the Council that the City newsletter will be coming out soon and will include information on curbside recycling and the deer ordinance.

**Finance Committee Report:** No report.

**Planning Commission Report:** No report.

**Parks and Recreation Committee Report:** No report.

**Public Works/Recycling Committee Report:** Mr. Ross reported that patching of potholes with cold patch has begun; the City has closed out the TIB project on Brooks Road. In response to questions, Mr. Ross stated that the storm sewer system is working okay and that the City has not set weight limits on roads in town because the County has not done so and the City coordinates with the County on this.

**Public Safety Committee Report:** No report.

**Members' Reports:** Councilmember Jorgenson advised that the Dollars for Scholars fundraiser will take place March 21, 2015.

**Consent Agenda:** Councilmember Maike moved approval of the Warrants 28642 through 28696 for a total of \$177,591.39; Councilmember Stein seconded the motion. Council polled; all voted aye. Motion passed.

**Old Business:** None.

**Executive Session:** None

**Adjournment:** Councilmember Jorgenson moved to adjourn and Councilmember Stein seconded the motion. Council polled; all voted aye. Meeting adjourned at 7:00 pm.

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Finance Director