

**City of Medical Lake  
Regular Council Meeting  
April 4, 2017**

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

**Council Present:** John Paikuli, Elizabeth Rosenbeck, Jessica Roberts, AJ Burton, Shirley Maike and Destiny Stein.

**Staff Present:** City Administrator Doug Ross, Assistant Fire Chief Corey Stevens, City Attorney Cindy McMullen and Finance Director Karen Langford.

**Others Present:** Residents and Cheney Free Press reporter.

**Additions to the Agenda:** None.

**Excused Absences:** Councilmember Laura Parsons (excused at previous meeting).

**Approval of Minutes:** Councilmember Paikuli motioned to approve the March 21, 2017 minutes. Councilmember Maike seconded. All voted aye.

**Interested citizens:** Ted Olson, 810 E. Collin Avenue made the following comment:

- Thanked the City maintenance dept. for keeping the city streets so clean.

City Administrator Ross advised Mr. Olson that he would pass along the compliment to the maintenance department.

**SCHEDULED ITEMS:**

**Mayor's Report:**

**1. Proclamations, Presentations and Recognitions:** None.

**2. Appointments:** None.

**3. Meetings and Other Information:** None.

**4. Staff Report:** City Administrator Ross advised council that he will have Administrative Assistant Cherry Costello send out emails notifying those councilmembers up for election this year. He also stated that councilmember positions and terms are located on the City and County Assessor's websites.

City Administrator Ross also informed the council that the bill the City was apart of for police services funding related to Eastern State Hospital was not approved by the legislature. He also stated that the legislature did include \$231,000 in the 2017-2018 biennium budget for police services for ESH, but also cautioned the Council that the City has to negotiate with DSHS for the money.

City Administrator Ross also told the council that Abby Sanders from the accounting firm of Petersen CPAS and Advisors will be coming from Yakima to help reconcile the City's new accounting software with the old software. She came highly recommended from the Spokane Housing Authority and had previously filled in temporarily as their chief financial officer.

**Finance Committee Report:** None

**Planning Commission Report:** City Administrator Ross told the council that the Planning Commission had met on March 30<sup>th</sup> and discussed how the City's insurance pool affects City decisions.

**Parks and Recreation Committee:** Councilmember Paikuli advised council there are two City recreation programs and Little League vying for field time this spring. Medical Lake has three flag football teams and twelve soccer teams, with Davenport participating as well. The middle school will be hosting most of the practices to help free up space for Little League. Councilmember Paikuli also explained it has been tough balancing Medical Lake's spring sports with the West Plains Little League due to field availability. He also thanked Recreation Coordinator Ivanna Lomas for all of her hard work in coordinating all of these activities.

**Public Works/Recycling Committee:** City Administrator Ross advised the council that the compost trailer was now open and being put to full use. He also informed the council that the lake levels were still rising and that Tule Pond was still being pumped as well. He advised the council that the City was developing a plan to repair those streets most adversely affected by the heavy moisture received this year, and that an additional \$15,000 would be needed to complete the equivalent of approximately one block of patching throughout the City.

**Public Safety Committee Report:** Assistant Fire Chief Corey Stevens advised the council the department is in the process of adding two new members. He also stated the department is hosting an IV training class and that they have one member currently enrolled in paramedic school.

**Members Report:** Councilmember Roberts requested to see copies of police stats. City Administrator Ross stated he would contact the Sheriff's Dept. with the request. Councilmember Paikuli stated that he was looking forward to spring.

**Consent Agenda:** Councilmember Maike motioned to approve the Consent Agenda. Councilmember Roberts seconded. All voted aye.

- Claims: Warrants 31444 thru 31450 and 31461 thru 31502 for \$51,566.26;
- Payroll: Warrants 11495 thru 11516 and 31451 thru 31460 for \$141,479.43.

**Old Business:** None.

**Executive Session:** None

**Adjournment:** Councilmember Paikuli motioned to adjourn. Councilmember Burton seconded. All voted aye. Meeting adjourned at 6:55 p.m..

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Mayor

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Finance Director