

**City of Medical Lake**  
**Regular Council Meeting**  
S. 124 Lefevre Street, 6:30 P.M.  
April 6, 2010

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

**Council present:**      John Paikuli                      A. J. Burton                      Art Kulibert  
   Jeff King                              Shirley Maike                      Brenda Redell

**Council Absent:**      Howard Jorgenson

Motion by Councilmember King, second by Maike to excuse Councilmember Jorgenson from tonight's meeting. Council polled; all ayes.

**Staff present:**              Doug Ross                              Cindy McMullen              Pam McBroom  
   Jeff Estes

**Others present:**      Cheney Free Press Reporter Ryan Lancaster, Deputy R. Truman, Marc Torre, Vice President, Dustin Bender, General Mngr. and Mark Ricky all with Sunshine Disposal and 4 visitors.

**ADDITIONS/DELETIONS TO AGENDA:**

None.

**MINUTES:**

March 16, 2010 Regular Council Meeting

Motion was made by Councilmember Maike, second by King to approve the minutes of the March 16, 2010 Regular Council Meeting. Council polled; all ayes.

**INTERESTED CITIZENS: AUDIENCE REQUESTS AND COMMENTS:**

Robert Kibling – 620 Golden Court – Mr. Kibling stated that after the last council meeting he talked with the Sheriff's deputies working in M.L. and explained the speeding problem on Stanley Street in Fox Hollow. He wanted to thank them because there has been a significant improvement and it is appreciated by all living in that area. There has also been some patrolling by the SCOPE volunteers.

Mr. Glenn Duncan also thanked the Sheriff's office.

**MAYORS REPORT**

**PROCLAMATIONS, PRESENTATIONS & RECOGNITION:**

None.

**APPOINTMENTS:**

None.

## **MEETINGS AND OTHER INFORMATION:**

Mayor Higgins reported that he and council had each received copies of a Letter of Complaint regarding violation of RCW's filed by Palmer D. and Patricia N. Strand against Spokane County Assessor's office, Spokane County Prosecutor's office and Department of Revenue.

This is a lengthy complaint and it is available for anyone that wants to review it. It does not have anything to do with the City. Mayor Higgins also reported that Fish and Wildlife Game Department had been contacted pertaining to the deer population at Eastern State Hospital. The game department actually has a deer management preservation plan.

## **STAFF REPORT:**

Sunshine Disposal and Recycling Contract Proposal; Discussion

Administrator Ross explained to council that he and Marc Torre, Vice President of Sunshine Disposal, Inc. have been continuing to work on the language in the contract amendment that will be coming before council for approval. There is a document for council review on this agenda and Marc Torre will explain and answer questions for council. Mr. Torre then explained the language revisions that were made pertaining to Uncontrollable Circumstances Adjustments. One change limits requests for rate adjustment once annually unless the fuel prices rise above 70% over the base line rate. There was discussion on how the baseline price is determined. Councilmember Paikuli asked for an explanation of one portion of the changed language. Torre explained. After discussion, Administrator Ross explained that a final amendment to the contract will be prepared as well as a new utility fee resolution with the 2% increase that will be effective May 1<sup>st</sup> – this will be on the next agenda.

## **FINANCE:**

None.

## **PLANNING REPORT:**

None.

## **PARKS AND RECREATION COMMITTEE REPORT:**

Councilmember Redell reported on the following.

- Basketball and Volleyball are finished – it was a good season
- Soccer is starting
- Working on getting over 40 and over 60 baseball teams
- Next P&R Committee meeting is May 4<sup>th</sup>

Mr. Kibling gave an update on how Founders Day plans are coming along. He reported on the following.

- Donation letters and parade applications have gone out
- Contact has been made with FAFB to get them to participate
- Grand Marshalls will be: Betty Labish and Delores Audett
- There will be a raffle to help raise money – prize is a handmade quilt by Betty Labish
- Several people have shown interest in having advertising booths
- The Kids Parade will be at 9:30 am

Kibling asked city for help keeping vehicles from parking on the side streets of the parade route. Administrator Ross also stated that two new lights had been installed by Avista at Pioneer Park.

## **PUBLIC WORKS:**

Administrator Ross gave council an update.

- Prentis Street project is 2 weeks out to go to bid
- Design work on Prentis Street project is complete
- Negotiation continue with the state on reclaimed water fees

- Maintenance department is still flushing water lines
- The spring newsletter is out on the website – if requested we will mail to individuals
- Progress is being made with City of Spokane for the Craig Road water intertie

**PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE REPORT:**

Councilmember Paikuli reported on the PS committee meeting. The council received an activity log from the Police Department and it shows a significant increase in activity over two month age. We went from 15 total tickets issued in February to 79 total tickets issued in March.

Volunteer Fire Chief Estes reported on the following items:

- The department had only one dropped call this month
- 6 new recruits nearing academy completion
- April 22<sup>nd</sup> there will be a MOC DUI demo
- The attack vehicle refurbishment is almost complete
- The Prentis Elementary School fire – problem was a defective light ballast. It caused two desks to catch on fire. There was minimal damage – controlled with dry chemical extinguisher

**MEMBERS REPORT:**

Councilmember Maike reported that the city will get an invite to attend the Community Open House on “Recovery from Mental Illness: Understanding the Journey”. DSHS Secretary Susan Dreyfus and ESH CEO Connie Wilmot will be at this open house.

**CONSENT AGENDA:**

Approval of Claims and Payroll

Claim Warrants 17858 through 17939 in the amount of \$101,824.19; Payroll Warrants 9181 through 9207 in the amount of \$108,545.26 were approved by motion from Councilmember Maike, seconded by Redell. Council polled; all ayes.

**OLD BUSINESS:**

None.

**DISCUSSION OF ADDITIONS TO THE AGENDA:**

None.

**EXECUTIVE SESSION:**

None.

**ADJOURNMENT:**

Mayor Higgins adjourned the meeting at 6:59 p.m.

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Mayor Higgins

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City Clerk / Finance Director