

City of Medical Lake
Regular Council Meeting
S. 124 Lefevre Street, 6:30 P.M.
March 15, 2011

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

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

Council Absent: None.

Staff present: Doug Ross Pam McBroom Cindy McMullen Jeff Estes

Others present: Cheney Free Press Reporter Ryan Lancaster and Bob Kibling.

ADDITIONS/DELETIONS TO AGENDA: None.

MINUTES:

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Motion by Councilmember Paikuli, seconded by Redell, to approve the March 1, 2011 Regular Council Meeting minutes. 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:

Cooperative Agreement for Community Development Block Grant and Related Funds (HOME, 2060, HHAA)

Administrator Ross gave council some background information pertaining to this agreement. The City has participated in the Spokane County Community Development Block Grant Program since 1988. As a consortium member the city will apply for CDBG funds through Spokane County instead of the State CDBG Program. Every three years, Urban County Consortiums, such as Spokane County, are required to re-qualify. Spokane County is scheduled to re-qualify in 2011 for fiscal years 2012, 2013, 2014. During this re-qualification period, the City may choose to continue to participate, or not, as a member of the consortium. If council approves to continue in the consortium, a letter verifying the choice will be sent to Spokane County and the cooperative agreement will need to be approved.

After discussion, Councilmember Maike made a motion, seconded by Redell to approve the Cooperative Agreement for Community Development Block Grant and Related Funds (HOME, 2060, HHAA) and authorize Mayor Higgins to sign. Council polled; all ayes.

Department of Corrections Agreement: Community Restitution Work Crew

Administrator Ross explained that the City will no longer have the ability to use the work crews from the Airway Heights Correctional Facility. To help fill the labor loss, staff requests that the city enter into an agreement with the Department of Corrections for work crews. These crews will consist of individuals that are required to provide community restitution through the courts. The work crews will cost the city more than the AHCF crews but staff has worked out a reduced schedule that will meet the amount budgeted for this year. Councilmember Jorgenson made a motion to approve the Department of Corrections Agreement for Community Restitution Work Crews and authorize Mayor Higgins to sign. Motion seconded by Councilmember Redell. Council polled; all ayes.

Interlocal Agreement: Provision of Detention Services between the City of Medical Lake and Spokane County

This Detention services Agreement is for Spokane County to continue providing detention (jail) services to the City. The agreement is retroactive to January 1, 2010. City Attorney McMullen has reviewed the agreement and recommends approval by council. Councilmember Jorgenson moved to approve the Interlocal Agreement for Detention Services between the City of Medical Lake and Spokane County and authorize Mayor Higgins to sign. Motion seconded by Councilmember Paikuli. Council polled; all ayes.

Administrator Ross also updated council on the proposed county jail site and the Spokane County Planning Commission emergency hearing on Thursday, March 17th at 9:30 a.m. The city is submitting a letter prepared by Attorney McMullen objecting to the Proposed Comprehensive Plan, Urban Growth Area and Zone Reclassification Emergency Amendment for a Spokane County Detention Facility. It was noted that the proposed jail site, located off SR902 is not in the County Urban Growth Area and not currently zoned appropriately. There was council and staff discussion. The Mayor and Administrator will be attending the meeting.

FINANCE:

None.

PLANNING REPORT:

None.

PARKS AND RECREATION COMMITTEE REPORT:

Instructor Contract for Zumba Classes; Cynthia “Jeanette” Paikuli

Councilmember Redell made a motion, seconded by Maike to approve this Instructor Contract for Zumba Classes. Cynthia “Jeanette” Paikuli will be the certified instructor. Redell explained that instructor contracts are not normally presented in this fashion but this is a new recreation activity and the instructor is related to a councilmember – so it is appropriate in this instance to bring the contract to full council for approval. Council then polled; six ayes, one abstain (Councilmember Paikuli). Motion carried.

There was also council discussion on the use of the Pine Lodge Gym. Today was the last day the city will be using the gym, per lease agreement. The ability to use this facility worked out very well because gym space is limited for basketball season. Council asked Administrator Ross to pursue DSHS concerning year round use of the gym. Possible use of the ball field also discussed. Ross will look into this for council and report back.

PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE REPORT:

Administrator Ross gave council an update on the following.

- Excess water and possible lake pumping
- Catch basin for Tule Pond overflowing
- Wet lands full of water
- City still sweeping streets

Councilmember Jorgenson asked that city do an assessment of city streets and see how many blocks would benefit from an overlay.

PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE REPORT:

Firefighter Response System Service Agreement

Councilmember Kulibert gave a report on the Public Safety Committee meeting. There is an action item on the agenda tonight but there are several questions pertaining to this agreement and he asked that it be tabled. One main concern is about whether this agreement would create disclosure problems due to the use of home personal computers and personal phones connecting to this service. Council discussed some of the issues and City Attorney McMullen will do some research. This will come back to council for a decision on the April 19th agenda.

MEMBERS REPORT:

None.

CONSENT AGENDA:

Approval of Claims and Payroll

Claim Warrants 19174 through 19229 in the amount of \$72,958.24 and Payroll Warrant 9508 in the amount of \$14,400.00 and Lease Amendment between the state of Washington DSHS and the City of Medical Lake, 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:

Mayor Higgins called for an executive session at 7:01 p.m. Attorney McMullen read the following for the record. *The City Council will now go into executive session to consider: "Selection of a site or the acquisition of real estate by lease or purchase when public knowledge regarding such consideration would cause a likelihood of increased price." It is anticipated that the executive session will last fifteen minutes. After the executive session, the City Council will reconvene the regular session. The City Council will take no action on the issue(s) discussed in executive session.* At 7:16 p.m. council extended the executive session for an additional 10 minutes. Mayor Higgins called the regular meeting back to order at 7:26 p.m.

ADJOURNMENT:

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

Mayor Higgins

City Clerk / Finance Director