

**City of Medical Lake  
Regular Council Meeting  
October 03, 2017**

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

**Council Present:** Elizabeth Rosenbeck, AJ Burton, Destiny Stein, Shirley Maike, John Paikuli, and Laura Parsons

**Staff Present:** City Administrator Doug Ross, City Attorney Cindy McMullen and Finance Director Karen Langford

**Others Present:** Residents, Spokane County Sheriffs' Deputy and Assistant Fire Chief Stevens

**Additions to the Agenda:** None

**Excused Absence(s):** Jessica Roberts, Councilmember Maike moved to approve; Councilmember Burton seconded. All voted aye.

**Approval of Minutes:** Councilmember Paikuli motioned to approve. Councilmember Stein seconded. All voted aye

**Interested citizens:** None

**SCHEDULED ITEMS:**

**Mayor's Report:**

**1. Proclamations, Presentations and Recognitions:**

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**A.** Tim Ames, MLSD Superintendent thanked the City for helping with kid programs before school and during the summer. He is hopeful the projects will continue into the next year. The school has purchased new vans to help transport the children for the summer program

**B.** Rick Scott, Director of Scope, thanked the City for all the support and supplying the Scope office. The volunteers have put in over 2600 hours of service to the area, which equates to almost \$80,000 of services in Medical Lake alone. Primary funding is through the Spokane County Sheriffs' Office. The volunteers help with traffic control, manning the police station and school patrols. This year Scope started the Radar Team for the elementary schools. Scope has over 20 programs. There are 17 Scope stations throughout the County with 370 volunteers total. Medical Lake has 17 volunteers. Scope puts out the most volunteer hours in the nation. Scope is still in need of more volunteers

**2. Appointments:** None

**3. Meetings and Other Information:** Mayor Higgins reported that City Administrator Doug Ross sent off the estimate to the State for police and fire services. Numbers for the Sheriffs contract will come back from the county in November. The Council will be able to vote at that time to either approve or deny the contract.

#### **4. Staff Report:**

##### **A) First Amendment to Master Lease Agreement: T-Mobile**

City Administrator Doug Ross asked to renew the First Amendment to the Master Lease Agreement with T-Mobile. This is basically renewing the original master lease agreement from 1998. The amendment is based on the inflation rate from the consumer price index. Councilmember Paikuli moved to approve, Councilmember Rosenbeck seconded. All voted aye.

##### **B) Amendment to MLMC Chapter 17.43 Nonconforming Use, Section 17.43.090 Discontinuance**

City Administrator Doug Ross requested this item to be removed to allow for a public hearing.

City Administrator explained further the pricing of the Sheriffs contract and how the cost estimate is calculated.

#### **Finance Committee Report:**

Councilmember Maiké moved to set the public hearing for the 2017 Revenue Sources and Possible Increase in Property Tax and EMS Revenues for October 17, 2017 at 6:30 pm. Councilmember Parsons seconded. All voted aye.

#### **Planning Commission Report:**

City Administrator Doug Ross advised they will start working on the public hearing and the capitol facilities plan.

#### **Parks and Recreation Committee:**

1. Councilmember Parsons advised there are 15 teams participating in the fall sports program including Davenport and Reardan. The swings for Waterfront Park and Pioneer Park are also on their way. The winter basketball registrations start the week of the 16th and go through December 2017. Also, the Medical Lake Tree Lighting event will correspond with Winter Fest on Saturday December 09, 2017. Mayor Higgins advised the City is working with the School District to possibly get two vans for the summer programs. He also stated there is a meeting scheduled with the School District on Thursday, October 5th for the bus loop Hoopfest program.

#### **Public Works/Recycling Committee: None**

1. City Administrator Doug Ross stated the City is working on fixing the sidewalks and cleaning the City drains.

#### **Public Safety Committee Report:**

1. Councilmember Rosenbeck reported 56 incidences in September of those, 47 were EMS calls.

##### **2. Amendment to MLMC Chapter 2.32 Volunteer Fire Department Section 2.32.190 Compensation**

Assistant Fire Chief Steven explained the Fire Department would like reduce the line items in the Fire Department payroll compensation system. Assistant Fire Chief Stevens requested the City Attorney Cindy McMullen prepare an ordinance to change the payroll compensation system for the City Fire Department. Councilmember Paikuli motioned to approve, Councilmember Rosenbeck seconded. All voted aye.

Assistant Fire Chief also stated six volunteers were sent off to help with Oregon fires and several more were on standby for the hurricanes in Florida. He also stated the public was notified the burn ban was lifted. City Administrator Doug Ross stated the average response time by EMS/FD is 8 minutes and 2 seconds. He also stated Public Works is looking to purchase Station #2 from the Fire Association.

2. Councilmember Rosenbeck stated Officer Travis advised the committee that deputies are now carrying Narcan kits along with their other emergency supplies.

**Members Report:**

Councilmember Maike mentioned that the Food Bank is still in need of volunteers. Councilmember Parsons advised the public should check out the St. Anne's Memorial Garden. Councilmember Parsons also stated that she and Councilmember Rosenbeck helped out a citizen who ran into a ditch.

**Consent Agenda:**

- Claims: Warrants 32123 thru 32173 for \$183,799.34

Councilmember Maike motioned to approve, Councilmember Stein seconded. All voted aye.

**Adjournment:** Councilmember Paikuli motioned to adjourn, Councilmember Burton seconded. All voted aye. Meeting adjourned at 7:16 PM.

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Mayor

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Finance Director