

# Medical Lake Connections

## Monthly Newsletter

May 2022



*western shore of picturesque Medical Lake*



### Mayor Terri Cooper

Happy Spring Medical Lake! The first quarter of the year has passed. I will be giving a state of the city report during the May 17, 2022, city council meeting. I hope to see you there.

Please join me in welcoming our new Finance Director, Koss Ronholt. Koss has 8 plus years of business and municipal government accounting experience, including a period with the Washington State Auditor's Office.

I recently was asked to speak at the West Plains Chamber Breakfast. I shared that the City of Medical Lake does not have a brag list but rather, a very long "to do" list. The city has a strong and supportive council, smart and capable staff, and regional partners willing to help us grow and develop in a way that is best for Medical Lake and the region while keeping our small-town look and feel. Together we can do this!

April was busy with all hands on deck to keep up with daily operations. Please join me in thanking Felicia Mendez and Marilyn Eaker for their hard work. Special recognition was given to them during the April 19, 2022 council meeting.

Transparency in government is important to me. You will see topics on the agenda under reports or workshops. These are on the agenda for discussion and to give the council and community notice of things to come and time to be prepared for future action items. Meetings can be attended via Zoom or in person.

A website facelift is coming! Work has begun to update and improve our website in appearance, content, ease of use, and as an interactive communication tool. The go live date may take some time. Watch for future updates.

Hooray, Broadband is coming! The city has been able to attract a fiber to home internet provider interested in expanding into Medical Lake, negotiations are underway. We are working hard to attract more providers, but this is a first big step in the right direction.

Required ARPA (American Rescue Plan Act) reporting requirements have been fulfilled and the city is ready to accept grant application requests. Forms will be available at city hall or online at the city's website. Contact city hall for more information (509) 565-5000.

## Welcome and Congratulations!

*Please join me in welcoming newly appointed staff*

### Finance Director

**Koss Ronholt**

## Public Meetings

### City Council

**1st & 3rd Tuesdays - 6:30 PM**

May 3, 2022

May 17, 2022

### Planning Commission

**4th Thursday - 5:00PM**

May 26, 2022

\* Meetings may be attended in person or by Zoom. Zoom links can be found in the agendas, posted on the city's website.

## Paying Utility Bills

Did you know you can pay your utility bill with ACH auto-pay from your bank? You can also pay online or by phone using your credit / debit card.

### Pay with Debit or Credit Card

Pay Online: [www.Medical-Lake.org](http://www.Medical-Lake.org)

Pay by Phone: (509) 565-5000

### Pay by Mail or in-Person

Medical Lake City Hall  
124 S Lefevre St  
Medical Lake, WA 99022

\*in-person we accept cash / check / money order

**Get ACH Application:** Contact City Hall (509) 565-5000. The form can be sent to you by email, fax, or picked up at City Hall, 124 S Lefevre St., Medical Lake.

ACH printable form online at [www.Medical-Lake.org](http://www.Medical-Lake.org)

**Coming Soon!** Credit Card payments will soon be accepted at City Hall. Watch for updates!

## Trash Talk

Spring outdoor work is in full swing and yards are looking nice. Please remember only clean green should be put in the city's yard waste bins!

**Yes:** Leaves, grass, clippings, pine cones, pine needles, weeds, brush, prunings, and small branches less than 4 ft.

**No:** Pet waste, rocks, concrete, scrap metal, plastic, paper, household garbage.

## Do you need help paying past due utilities?

Medical Lake Outreach: (509) 299-3819  
Email [MedicalLakeCommunityOutreach@yahoo.com](mailto:MedicalLakeCommunityOutreach@yahoo.com)  
SNAP: (509) 456-7111  
W: <https://snapwa.org>

## What's Happening in May

**May 14th ♦ City Clean-up & Old Tire Disposal Day**  
Waterfront Park Parking Lot  
10:00am—2:00pm

**May 13 & 14th ♦ Dollars For Scholars Yard Sale**  
MLHS Baseball Field Parking Lot  
13th - 7:00am – 6:00pm  
14th - 7:00am - 4:00pm  
(509) 955-1099

## COMMUNITY EVENTS SAVE THE DATE!

**June 17 - 18th**  
**Founders Day Festival**  
Golf, Movie, BBQ, Fireworks  
Parade, Trailblazer TRI/DU/5K  
Re\*Imagine Medical Lake  
[MedicalLake.org](http://MedicalLake.org)  
[info@MedicalLake.org](mailto:info@MedicalLake.org)

**July 4th**  
**Independence Day!**

**July 9 - 10th**  
**Community Yard Sale**

**Aug 12 - 14th**  
**Bluewaters Bluegrass Festival**  
Waterfront Park  
[BluewatersBluegrass.org](http://BluewatersBluegrass.org)