

**City of Medical Lake**  
**Regular Council Meeting**  
S. 124 Lefevre Street, 6:30 P.M.  
March 16, 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

**Council Absent:** Brenda Redell and Howard Jorgenson

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

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

**Others present:** Cheney Free Press Reporter Ryan Lancaster, Captain Mark Werner, Deputy Jeremy Russell, Marc Torre, Vice President Sunshine Disposal and 6 visitors.

**ADDITIONS/DELETIONS TO AGENDA:**

Motion by Councilmember Maike, seconded by Burton to add to the agenda under Staff Report 4.A.4.b – Second Amendment to Interlocal Cooperation Agreement for Ground Ambulance Service. Council polled; all ayes.

**MINUTES:**

March 2, 2010 Regular Council Meeting

Motion was made by Councilmember Maike, second by King to approve the minutes of the March 2, 2010 Regular Council Meeting. Council polled; all ayes.

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

Robert Kibling – 620 Golden Court – Mr. Kibling related some citizen concerns to council pertaining to the police department. The following issues were discussed:

- There is excessive speeding on N. Stanley Street especially around 7am and between 2:30 pm and 5pm. A new speed sign has been put up but it is not a deterrent.
- No noticeable patrolling being done in the Fox Hollow area.

City Administrator Ross stated that he and the mayor had met with Sheriff Ozzie Knezovich and concerns reported at the last council meeting were discussed. Knezovich did some checking and the police logs do show that officers are doing regular night checks in the Fox Hollow and Fox Ridge areas. It is not at the same time as citizens are used to seeing officers but part of the reason for that is because the deputies do not live in the Fox Hollow and Fox Ridge areas as they did before.

Penny Delgado – 220 S. Lefevre Street – Ms. Delgado reported that she feels there is a lot of speeding on Lake Street and not much police presence around the schools. There was a notice from

school about a suspicious red vehicle that had been seen at the grade schools and without any officers around patrolling, she does not feel here children are safe. There was council response from both King and Paikuli. Administrator Ross did state that the suspicious red vehicle was another teenager harassing younger kids, it was not a predator. He also stated that the school has been very pleased with the service they are receiving from the officers on duty here.

## **MAYORS REPORT**

### **PROCLAMATIONS, PRESENTATIONS & RECOGNITION:**

None.

### **APPOINTMENTS:**

Volunteer Firefighter Spencer Taylor

Volunteer Fire Chief, Jeff Estes introduced Mr. Taylor to council and gave some background information. Taylor is a native of Michigan and is stationed at FAFB as a full time firefighter. Council welcomed FF Taylor to the department.

### **MEETINGS AND OTHER INFORMATION:**

Mayor Higgins reported he and Administrator Ross met with Sheriff Knezovich last week. One of the council requests had been that someone from the Sheriff's department attend council meetings so questions or issues could be addressed. Knezovich will have someone in attendance from now on. Mayor Higgins acknowledged that Captain Werner and Deputy Russell were both in attendance tonight. Also noted was that the Pine Lodge tour had been done and Sheriff Knezovich does not feel the facility would be viable as a site for the Spokane County Jail.

### **STAFF REPORT:**

#### Declare Trek Bicycle Surplus and Set Method of Disposal

Administrator Ross gave council background information pertaining to this bicycle. In 1995, the City Police Department was given this Trek Bicycle to use for bike patrols. We no longer have a use for this bike and are requesting council declare it surplus and set the method of disposal as sealed bid. There was some council discussion. Councilmember Kulibert suggested that the ad be put on our city website. Councilmember Paikuli made a motion, seconded by Kulibert to declare the Trek mountain bike surplus and set the method of disposal as sealed bid. Council polled; all ayes.

#### Second Amendment to Interlocal Cooperation Agreement for Ground Ambulance Service

Volunteer Fire Chief Estes updated council on the reason for this request. The first amendment to this agreement is set to expire on March 31, 2010 and the negotiations are not quite complete so this second amendment extends the expiration date until December 31, 2010. This will allow enough time to complete all negotiations with AMR for ambulance service. Councilmember Maikie made a motion to approve the Second Amendment to Interlocal Cooperation Agreement for Ground Ambulance Service. Motion seconded by Councilmember Burton. Council polled; all ayes.

### **FINANCE:**

The Finance Committee had no action items tonight but Councilmember King did report that the committee discussed fee waiver requests. One fee waiver request from Young Life needs to go to the Park and Recreation committee for review and recommendation prior to coming to council. It was also determined that a review of the current policies pertaining to fee waivers needs looked at and clarified.

### **PLANNING REPORT:**

Resolution 459; Adopting a Resolution on a Collaborative Process, to Implement the Fairchild Joint Land Use Study (JLUS)

Planning Consultant Glenn Scholten gave council and staff a detailed report on the FAFB JLUS. This study was done in an effort to protect the land surrounding FAFB from development inconsistent or incompatible with a military installation. The City of Medical Lake, Airway Heights, Spokane and Spokane County are being asked to approve a resolution that states each jurisdiction will adopt the collaborative process to implement the FAFB Joint Land Use Study Section 5 recommendations. The purpose of this resolution is to set the collaborative process which the participating jurisdictions will under take to implement the Section 5 FAFB JLUS recommendations. A JLUS implementation coordinating council will be established and comprised of five individuals. One individual from each of the four jurisdictions is to be appointed to serve on the coordinating committee and that representative has to be an elected official. The fifth individual shall be appointed by FAFB. There will also be a technical assistance group established. This group will be responsible to advise the coordinating committee regarding the effective implementation of the JLUS recommendations. Planning Consultant Glenn Scholten will be Medical Lake's representative for that committee. It was noted that participating jurisdictions will develop their own comprehensive plan amendments, development regulations and code amendments necessary to implement Section 5 JLUS recommendations. After discussion Councilmember Kulibert made a motion, seconded by King to approved Resolution 456; In the Matter of Adopting a Resolution on a Collaborative Process to Implement the FAFB JLUS. Council polled; all ayes.

Councilmember Maike made a motion, seconded by Paikuli to appoint Councilmember A.J. Burton to sit on the JLUS Implementation Coordinating Committee for the City. Council polled; all ayes.

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

No report. It was noted that this committee will review the fee waiver requests discussed earlier by the finance committee.

#### **PUBLIC WORKS:**

Sunshine Disposal and Recycling Contract Proposal; Discussion

Administrator Ross introduced Marc Torre, Managing Partner with Sunshine Disposal and had him explain the "Uncontrollable Circumstances Adjustment" requested change to their contract. Mr. Torre went over the reason for this particular portion of the proposed contract for services with Sunshine Disposal. He explained that for them the main problem had been with the fluctuating fuel prices. The proposed language states changes will be limited to changes in state, federal or local laws regulating the work performed by the contractor, fuel or forced majeure. It is extremely difficult to foresee and incorporate into a contract those rate changes above the CPI index that are automatically allowed each year. Sunshine would propose that changes exceeding 5% over the baseline CPI index adjustment for fuel costs index as provided by the Washington Utilities and Transportation Commission would be submitted to the city for reimbursement. All increases or decreases are subject to approval by the City Council. There was council discussion with Councilmember Paikuli asking if the rates would ever decrease when fuel prices went down. After discussion, council thanked Mr. Torre for coming to council. It was noted that a new contract with Sunshine Disposal & Recycling would be coming before council for approval at one of the upcoming meetings. Administrator Ross then updated council on the following items:

- The Compost Recycling trailer opened on March 15<sup>th</sup>
- The Skate Park is scheduled to open when spring break starts
- All the restrooms have been opened except the one that had some vandalism
- Water mains are being flushed this week so some people may notice a change in their water – they need to allow it to run a little bit to clear. It's just sediment from the flushing

Councilmember Kulibert asked for more information to be put out pertaining to what can be put in the compost trailer. Some discussion on problems encountered with the compost trailer and recycling center. Councilmember Burton suggested looking into putting up a motion camera.

**PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE REPORT:**

None.

**MEMBERS REPORT:**

Councilmember Kulibert stated that it would be helpful to have a joint council/planning meeting. Councilmember King asked if WCIA offered any council training/direction pertaining to how council should handle recommendations from committees and other council duties. A refresher course would be helpful. Administrator Ross will check into it for council.

**CONSENT AGENDA:**

Approval of Claims and Payroll

Claim Warrants 17802 through 17857 in the amount of \$256,690.09; Payroll Warrants 9179 through 9180 in the amount of \$14,400.00 were approved by motion from Councilmember Maike, seconded by Burton. Council polled; all ayes.

**OLD BUSINESS:**

None.

**DISCUSSION OF ADDITIONS TO THE AGENDA:**

None.

**EXECUTIVE SESSION:**

None.

**ADJOURNMENT:**

Mayor Higgins adjourned the meeting at 7:19 p.m.

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Mayor Higgins

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City Clerk / Finance Director