



# City of Medicine Lake

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May 4, 2020

## City of Medicine Lake Council Minutes

**Present:** Mayor Scott Marks; Councilors Jack Garberg, Ron Tomczik, Chris Heim and Connie Shaffer; Treasurer Craig Kile; City Clerk Nancy Pauly; Fire Chief Rich Halvorsen; Public Works Superintendent Chris Klar; City Planner Brad Scheib.

**Absent:** no one.

**Miscellaneous attendees:** Tom Melander, Joyce Meyer, Susan Wiese, Grant Johnson.

Mayor Marks called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

### Minutes and Agenda

- **Motion to approve the agenda as presented forwarded by Mayor Marks and seconded by Councilmember Shaffer. With all in favor, the motion carried.**
- **Motion to approve the April 6, 2020 minutes forwarded by Councilmember Shaffer and seconded by Councilmember Heim. With all in favor, the motion carried.**

### Open Forum

- None.

### Fire Department Report – Rich Halvorsen

- Reported no calls for the month.
- Reported the parade was very successful.
- Reported maintaining situational awareness during the current events.

### Planning Commission Report – Jon Pettengill (reported by Brad Scheib)

- Brad Scheib reported Grant Johnson is interested in purchasing 1340 South Shore Drive and replicating what is on Colonial Circle with a cul-de-sac. A shared driveway would serve four properties. It's not clear what it would mean from a fire service perspective. Also, the location of the sewer line needs to be located. Mr. Johnson wants to know where council stands on creating more homes that the property. Mr. Johnson said he read the phase 1 report and there is construction debris from the 1960's that could contain asbestos as well as additional construction debris from the 1970's. The phase 2 did 22 test pits and found 35,000 to 40,000 cubic yards of debris but there is no map showing where the pits are located. He would plan for slab homes on helical piers. It would be very expensive to clean up the property and governmental support is needed. Someone needs to investigate Hennepin County and state clean up programs and whether this project would qualify. Mayor Marks is concerned about the number of sewer connections that would be needed. Mr. Scheib asked whether council would be open to the project if helical piers could be used, if there is no impact to ground water, and if no major involvement from the city. Councilmember Shaffer said if there was no cost or impact to the city then there is benefit in getting the property cleaned up, assuming the Fire Department is OK with it. Mayor Marks said there will be push back from the residents because it is the entrance to the city, but it is private property. Mayor Marks said it's OK to pursue researching the project. Mr. Johnson said the cleanup issues need to be resolved first.

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Public Works Superintendent Report – Chris Klar

- Reported he will be ordering and installing an anode on the lift station in May.

Parks Report – Chris Klar

- Reported the park is being utilized a little bit. The playground remains closed.

Emergency Management Report – Tom Melander

- Presented a situation report.
- Reported one COVID-19 infection in the city.

Treasurer’s Report – Craig Kile

- Receipts in reporting period: \$428
- Receipts year to date: \$133,082
- Disbursements in reporting period: \$21,715
- Disbursements year to date: \$114,396
- **Motion to approve the summary spending, receipts and cash balances through May 3, 2020 forwarded by Councilmember Shaffer and seconded by Councilmember Tomczik. With all in favor, the motion carried.**

Officer Reports:

Councilmember Garberg

- Reported the potholes in the roads were milled and filled.

Councilmember Tomczik

- Reported nothing to report.

Councilmember Heim

- Reported nothing to report.

Councilmember Shaffer

- Reported rental property inspections will be kicked off this month.

Mayor Marks

- Reported he will have an email sent via City News announcing that there is one COVID-19 infection in the city.

New Business

- None.

**Motion to adjourn forwarded by Councilmember Tomczik and seconded by Councilmember Shaffer. With all in favor, the motion carried at 7:31 p.m.**

Respectfully submitted,

Nancy Pauly  
City Clerk

Approved on June 1, 2020