



# City of Medicine Lake

October 4, 2021

## City of Medicine Lake Council Minutes

**Present:** Mayor Scott Marks; Councilors Jo Meyer, Connie Shaffer, Ron Tomczik; Deputy Treasurer Gary Englert; City Clerk Therese Polum; Deputy City Clerk Nancy Pauly; Fire Chief Rich Halvorsen; Public Works Superintendent Chris Klar; Planning Commission Jesse Swanson; Bassett Creek Watershed Commissioner Clint Carlson.

**Absent:** Councilor Chris Heim, Treasurer Craig Kile

**Miscellaneous attendees:** Hennepin County Sheriff Lieutenant Patty Strongitharm.

Mayor Marks called the meeting to order at 6:02 p.m. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

### Minutes and Agenda

- **Motion to approve the agenda as presented forwarded by Councilmember Shaffer and seconded by Councilmember Meyer. Councilmembers Marks, Meyer, Shaffer and Tomczik in favor. Councilmember Heim absent. Motion passed.**
- **Motion to approve the September 13, 2021 minutes forwarded by Councilmember Marks and seconded by Councilmember Shaffer. Councilmembers Marks, Meyer, Shaffer and Tomczik in favor. Councilmember Heim absent. Motion passed.**

### Open Forum

- None.

### Hennepin County Sheriff – Lieutenant Strongitharm

- Reported no concerns and staying busy.
- August 2021 there were 13 warnings/tickets.

### Fire Department Report – Rich Halvorsen

- Reported zero calls in the past month.
- Will continue to build fire department website.
- Fireboat will remain in water for a few more weeks.

### Bassett Creek Watershed Management Commission Report – Clint Carlson

- Reported on activities.

### Planning Commission Report – Jesse Swanson

- Reported on short-term rentals research.
- Developing a short-term rental questionnaire for citizens.
- Open forum will be held as this topic moves forward.

#### Public Works Superintendent Report – Chris Klar

- Reported power at park boards is in progress.
- Presented on options for collecting non-profit status donations for designated city improvements.
- Reported Met Council will be releasing the city's Inflow and Infiltration (I&I) report soon; currently the city's meter reader volume is showing spikes during rain events. Met Council uses this data; correlates it to rain events and assigns fines for overages. Fines in the past have been as high as \$55,000.

#### Treasurer's Report – Gary Englert

- Report is a partial report, period ending September 18, 2021.
- **Motion to approve the summary spending, receipts and cash balances through September 18, 2021 forwarded by Mayor Marks, seconded by Councilmember Meyer. Mayor Marks, Councilmembers Meyer, Shaffer, Tomczik in favor. Councilmember Heim absent. Motion carried.**
- **Motion to approve Resolution 21-28 a RESOLUTION APPROVING THE ISSUANCE OF GENERAL OBLIGATION WASTE DISPOSAL BONDS SUBJECT TO THE APPROVAL OF THE MAYOR AND CITY CLERK AND RATIFICATION BY THE CITY COUNCIL amended to include the correct year for item number 5 forwarded by Councilmember Shaffer and seconded by Councilmember Meyer. Mayor Marks, Councilmembers Shaffer, Meyer, Tomczik in favor. Councilmember Heim absent. Motion carried.**

#### Officer Reports:

##### Councilmember Meyer

- Reported on technology progress.
- Reported on website progress and migrating to Office 365 progress.
- Reported on CenterPoint Energy Franchise Agreement update.
- Reported on Minnesota Data Practices project progress.
- Reported on the activity report provided by the Hennepin County Sheriff's enforcement services division.

##### Councilmember Tomczik

- Reported on the recycling fund.
- Reported on FLARE contract.
- Presented discussion on wake/no-wake/wake-boats with regard to shoreland erosion.

##### Councilmember Heim

- Absent

##### Councilmember Shaffer

- Reported that Cindy McNabb has agreed to the deputy election clerk position. Thank you to Cindy McNabb.
- CIP In-person meeting held September 29<sup>th</sup> went well. High attendance the first hour.
- Follow-up communication for the next two CIP in-person meetings will emphasize that these meetings are open house style with the CIP Committee as the hosts. The city design consultant, SEH is not present for these meetings. SEH will be presenting to the city again this fall, all are welcome to this presentation. Date to be determined.

##### Mayor Marks

- Reported nothing additional to report.

New Business

- **Motion to approve Resolution 21-29 a RESOLUTION DESIGNATION A POLLING PLACE forwarded by Councilmember Shaffer and seconded by Councilmember Meyer. Mayor Marks, Councilmembers Shaffer, Meyer, Tomczik in favor. Councilmember Heim absent. Motion carried.**

**Motion to adjourn forwarded by Councilmember Shaffer and seconded by Councilmember Meyer. Mayor Marks, Councilmembers Shaffer, Meyer, Tomczik in favor. Councilmember Heim absent. Motion carried at 7:44 p.m.**

Respectfully submitted,

Therese Polum  
City Clerk

Approved on November 1<sup>st</sup>, 2021