

MEMORANDUM

DATE: April 3, 2026
TO: City of Milton-Freewater, Mayor/City Council
FROM: Tim Johnson, Interim City Manager
SUBJECT: City Manager's Report for March 16-31

The following identifies meetings and actions that took place March 16-31

Mayor/Councilmember Meetings

Meeting with Mayor every Wednesday, March 18 & 25

Meeting with City Councilmembers and Clay Pearson of SGR, for city manager recruitment

Mayor Odman, Wednesday 25th @ 8am

Council President, Wednesday 25th@9am

Councilmember Koklich, Wednesday 25th@ 11am

Councilmember Lyon, Wednesday 25th @ 5:30pm

Councilmember Holden, Thursday 26th @ 8:30am

Councilmember Garcia, Thursday 26th @ 9:30am

Councilmember Jensen, Thursday 26th@ 3:00pm

Internal Meetings

- Weekly Public Works Staff Meeting
- Individual Dept. Directors meetings with Clay Pearson of SGR
 - Lilli Schmidt, Wednesday 25th 1:30pm
 - Finance Dir., Wednesday 25th 2:30pm
 - City Recorder, Thursday 26th 8:00am
 - Fire Chief, Thursday 26 @ 10:30am
 - Police Chief, Thursday, 26 @2:00pm
- Meeting with HR Director also with SGR representative
- Meeting with Planner to review 2 applications for childcare facilities yielding nearly 30 slots in advance of Planning Commission meeting
- Meeting with City Councilmembers and Clay Pearson SGR

External Meetings

- Meeting with representatives from Sherwood Trust to answer questions on grant for Tennis Courts replacement. The meeting included Superintendent, Aaron Duff, Mayor Mike Odman, Steven Patten and Ryan Westman
- Meetings with respondents from Structural Engineering firms on placement of scoreboard for Legion Field
- Meeting with Dr. Mark Browning, president of Blue Mountain Community College to discuss future opportunity of satellite campus with four-year institution with Mayor Odman and Council President, Steve Irving.

- Meeting with Dr. Kelly Ryan, president of Eastern Oregon University. Mayor Odman and Council president, Steve Irving discussed future opportunity of satellite campus and economic development.
- Mayor Odman and Council President met with Senator Wyden upon his invitation to talk about the federal grants for water and economic development Monday, March 30, Senator's Office in Pendleton.



Other

Removal of Graffiti

Worked with City Councilmember John Lyon on removal of graffiti on shelter on path overlooking city See photo. Public Works staff painter it later.



Additionally, directed Code Enforcement to contact property owners to clean up graffiti on fences facing north end of golf course off of Broadway. See photos below.



Continued Community Maintenance

In communication with city input (much appreciated), trimming of the arbevtae hedge at the south resevoir has been completed. Suffice it to say, the hedge was looking pretty poor. This action aids in their health and illustrates or commitment to entry point. Next improve the sign.

