

August 2015

Calendar of Events

Council and Commission meetings are held at City Hall.

- Aug 20** Historic Preservation Commission
6:00 p.m.
- Aug 22** Millwood Daze
Throughout the City of Millwood
- Aug 26** Planning Commission Meeting
6:00 p.m.
- Aug 31** Wading Pool Closes
- Sept 7** Labor Day
City Hall Closed
- Sept 8** City Council Meeting
7:00 p.m.



Mayor Freeman's Message

We have made it through the long hot summer very well so far. Let's all hope that the weather returns to a more normal pattern soon. Our forests, lakes and rivers could sure use some precipitation.

Big changes are coming to the traffic controls in the area near the Marguerite Road railroad crossing. Please read the details provided elsewhere in this newsletter.

The City recently received the go-ahead on the planning and design for the Millwood Trail which will be located on the former S.I.R. railroad right of way. The project will get underway after the consultant selection process is completed this fall. You will begin to see some right of way clearing work being done along this abandoned railroad right of way in preparation for the surveying work and eventual construction project.

— **Kevin Freeman, Mayor**



Remembering June King....

June King, the previous president of WV SCOPE passed away July 20th. She was a civic leader and valued citizen of Millwood. She and her late husband Tom had lived in Millwood since 1968 and were pillars of the community. She will be greatly missed.

City Council Report

With Mayor Pro Tem Shaun Culler wielding the gavel on July 14 the Millwood city council awarded a bid for street paving to Inland Asphalt Co. The work will take place on Dalton west of Argonne and at several other locations. The council also heard a citizen complaint about code enforcement related to alleged rodent infestation. Note: council agenda and minutes are posted to the city's website, www.millwoodwa.us, normally on the Friday before each meeting.

Schedule for Annual Budget Process

Each year the City of Millwood conducts a series of hearings on the proposed budget for the following year. This year we are moving up the schedule a bit. Here is a list of the hearings the City will be holding this fall:

Revenues hearing - September 8. Public hearing on revenue sources including possible increases in property tax.

Preliminary budget hearing -- October 13. The preliminary budget will be available for public review by October 1.

Final budget hearing -- November 10.

Anyone who would like more information may contact Tom Richardson, city clerk, 924-0960.

Neighborhood Watch

Starting a Neighborhood Watch (or Block Watch) is actually very easy!

* Just call the Neighborhood Watch Coordinator at (509) 477-3055 to get started

* Fill out the organizer application and return to the Neighborhood Watch Coordinator

* Schedule a meeting with your neighbors and invite a Crime Prevention Deputy and/or the Neighborhood Watch Coordinator. We'll give a presentation on crime prevention tips and provide materials for attendees.

It's as simple as that! After that, it's up to each watch group to determine how often they want to meet. We'll provide newsletters for you to email or distribute to your neighbors, and you will be added to our confidential email list to receive important notifications. For those interested, we can also make additional presentations to your neighborhood or group throughout the year.

A Few of the Presentation Topics Available to Citizens:

Home Security

Scams and Identity Theft

Internet Safety

Investment Fraud

Drug Awareness

Firearm Safety

Map Your Neighborhood for emergency preparedness

For More Information, call the Neighborhood Watch Coordinator: 509-477-3055

Report all suspicious activity to Crime Check 456-2233.

Traffic Revisions at Euclid and Marguerite

The city has been working with the UPRR, WUTC (Washington Utility Transportation Committee) and our city engineers Welch-Comer to address safety concerns at the Euclid and Marguerite railroad crossing. After many meetings and planning revisions the city has developed a long term and short term solution to address safety concerns. The long term solution is to install a gated and lighted crossing. The city has made an application to the WUTC for a crossing to assist in the safety of all concerned including rail, truck and automotive as well as pedestrian traffic at this intersection.

The short term solution is to make several traffic revisions at the intersection. Marguerite will become a through street in order to keep traffic from stopping on the rail road tracks. The traffic on Euclid will be stopped both East and West with new turn lanes in order to keep the traffic moving when a train is blocking the intersection.

The other two intersections to be affected by these revisions will be Dalton and Marguerite with a 2-way stop North and South bound and, Frederick and Marguerite will change from a 2-way stop to a 4-way stop.

Look for these revisions (stop signs, warning signs, and new pavement markers) to take place in early September.

Emergency Numbers to keep on hand:

Emergency.....911

Call before you dig.....811

Crime Check.....456-2233

Union Pacific Railroad Crisis Line
(800) 848-8715

UPRR Public Affairs (503) 249-3079

Millwood Daze...

Gather your family, friends, and neighbors and come out to the 7th Annual Millwood Daze 5k Fun Run, Festival, and World's Largest Red Wagon Parade.

Enjoy a full day of fun and activities including the games, booths, prizes, music, jumping castle, free outdoor film, and the first annual Millwood Daze World's largest Red Wagon Parade, where you can help set a world record while fighting to end senior hunger!

The race begins at 9:00 a.m. at the intersection of Dalton and Marguerite.

To register for the race or to reserve a booth in the street fair, go to http://mowspokane.org/millwood_daze.html



Come join the fun!!!

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Office Hours:

8:00 am—5:00 pm

Monday thru Friday

(except holidays)