

1. The Regular Meeting of the Millwood City Council was called to order by Mayor Dan Mork at 7:00 p.m., November 1, 2010 at the Millwood City Hall. Council members present were: Glenn Bailey, Brian Ellingson, Shaun Culler and Richard Schoen. Kevin Freeman was excused. Also present: Attorney Brian Werst, Treasurer Debbie Matkin, Public Works Supervisor Cleve McCoul, and City Clerk/City Planner Tom Richardson.

2. Boy Scout Troop 496 led the Flag Salute.

3. Invocation. None

4. CONSENT AGENDA: Approval of Minutes of the Regular Meeting held October 4, 2010 and the Special Meeting held October 26, 2010; October Payroll \$29,830.13; October Claims \$365,764.38 which is large because it includes bond principal and interest payments; correction of September Claims Register from \$93,662.63 to \$118,574.84 to include payment to BIAS for accounting software; Treasurer's Reports for November. Council members received the October Claims Warrant Register, October Payroll Warrant Register, and a list of Claims to be paid November 1, 2010. Mr. Bailey moved to approve the Consent Agenda, seconded by Mr. Ellingson. The motion carried unanimously.

5. PUBLIC COMMENTS: Bobbie Beese, 3610 N. Sargent, said the wading pool is a historic asset, built in 1954 and should be kept if possible. She suggested that it could be turned into a garden rather than be demolished. She suggested that demolition be delayed until at least spring to give the community time to learn about the proposal and to come up with alternative ideas.

Shirene Young, IEP Company, said the First Friday Valley Arts Tour is happening this coming Friday, 5:30 to 8:30, and includes the Millwood Gallery on Euclid and All Rays N Shine Salon on Argonne. Also, the Christmas tree lighting would be on First Friday in December on the 3rd at 6:00 p.m.

6. PRESENTATION: STA SERVICE CHANGES -- SUSAN MEYER, CEO Susan Meyer presented the STA's budget situation due to a steep drop in sales tax revenues. Karl Otterstrom, STA planning director, described the proposed route changes affecting Millwood. The Millwood route #95 would be eliminated and a change in route #32 on Trent Ave. to bring the route up Vista Rd to Buckeye and east to Argonne. The change would eliminate the paratransit service area north of the river.

Bernadine Nelson, director of Bethany House, an assisted living facility at 9111 E Upriver Drive, said the elimination of #95 would also eliminate paratransit to her facility which would be a serious problem for her residents. She said 20 of the 38 residents depend on paratransit.

Mr. Freeman suggested that extending #32 up to Liberty Ave. instead of Buckeye would keep Bethany Place within the paratransit area. Mr. Bailey urged STA not to forget about the people who depend on their service while STA deals with their revenue problem. Ms. Meyer said STA would take these concerns into consideration.

7. PUBLIC HEARING: 2011-2016 Capital Facilities Plan (CPA No. 10-02) The mayor opened the closed record public hearing on the amendments to the Capital Facilities chapter of the Comprehensive Plan at 7:38 p.m. Tom Richardson explained the process for amending the capital facilities element and went through the list of projects. There were no public comments. The mayor closed the hearing at 7:50 p.m. No action was taken.

8. PUBLIC HEARING – 2011 PRELIMINARY BUDGET The mayor opened the public hearing on the budget at 7:50 p.m. Debbie Matkin presented the preliminary budget for 2011. She said all non-essential projects were cut. She said that 18% increases are needed in the Water and Sewer rates effective January 1 in order to make these funds self-sustaining and comply with the revenue bond requirements.

9. 2011 AD VALOREM TAX LEVY Mr. Richardson presented Resolution No. 10-12 which would set the 2011 property tax levy maximum at \$362,100. Mr. Freeman moved to approve Resolution No. 10-12; seconded by Mr. Bailey. Motion carried unanimously.

10. RESOLUTION NO. 10-13 IDENTIFYING PROPERTY TAX INCREASE Mr. Richardson presented Resolution 10-13, which documents that Millwood was not able to increase our property tax levy due to statutory limits. Mr. Bailey moved to approve Resolution No. 10-13; seconded by Mr. Ellingson. Motion carried unanimously.

11. RESOLUTION NO. 10-14 DECLARATION OF SURPLUS PROPERTY Mr. Richardson presented a resolution to declare surplus a list of property which is either surplus to our needs, obsolete or not repairable. Mr. Culler moved to approve Resolution No. 10-14; seconded by Mr. Schoen. Motion carried unanimously.

12. YOUTH ADVISORY COUNCIL REPORT: Mr. Richardson said the Youth Advisory Council members were attending the Liberty Lake youth commission meeting this evening.

10. FIRE DEPARTMENT REPORT: Chief Andy Hale said the month was average. The majority of calls were for advanced life support, followed by basic life support and a couple of traffic accidents. He reminded that the district would be holding budget hearings on Nov. 8 and Nov. 22nd at Station no. 8.

11. MAINTENANCE REPORT: Mr. McCoul said water tests were good. Did truck and backhoe maintenance. Caulked cracks on tennis courts. Installed 800 ft of sprinkler line at Battson arboretum with meter and backflow preventer. The county painted cross

walks and stop bars; this was delayed because of a shortage of white paint. Installed a french drain at Butler and Empire where there has been a drainage problem. Winterized the irrigation systems. There is a problem with the City Hall heating system due to corroded hot water pipes in basement floor. Next week they will install three unit heaters in the basement at a cost of about \$2,500 for the heaters plus \$4,800 for labor. Leaf pick up has started.

12. CLERK/PLANNING REPORT: Mr. Richardson reported that he would be attending a hearing in November by the county commissioners on new building permit fees. He and the planning intern and working on grants for park improvements and a sewer pretreatment ordinance. The intern, Ray Oligher, is working two days per week. Cleve McCoul said that we need to talk to the county about a maintenance agreement on the section of sewer system that the county feeds into from east of Millwood. The section serves a large area.

13. LEGAL REPORT: Mr. Werst said the county's abandoned railroad right of way issue is now before the county commissioners. He is working on some various code updates that will be brought up in the future. He said the City's first hearing examiner case would be heard in November for a code violation. He requested a brief executive session at the end of the meeting.

14. CORRESPONDENCE: The Mayor distributed the announcement of the Regional Animal Control meeting scheduled for November 3. He referred to information handed out about water rates, WSAC letter about consolidation of services, and extra traffic enforcement. Ms. Matkin said she handed out a letter from former Mayor Batson concerning the proposed utility rate increase. He said the transportation benefit district proposal has been put off for the time being.

17. ANNOUNCEMENTS: The mayor reminded council members of the Emergency Management meeting for elected officials on November 17 and 18.

18. COUNCIL COMMENTS: Mr. Bailey said he doesn't usually pay any attention to rumors, but he wanted people to know that the commitment to not raise rates when the bonds were sold is not a true statement. He said there was a method set up at that time to be flexible to make sure the bonds payments would be made. We were able to avoid rate increases through good planning and good management. There was no commitment in the beginning that there would be no rate increases.

19. PUBLIC COMMENTS: June King, 3009 N Stout Rd, asked about the status of code enforcement for the lot at the corner of Stout and Frederick, and about her neighbor's tree which is pushing over her fence. Mr. Richardson said he would check with Bill Schulz on those two concerns.

20. EXECUTIVE SESSION: The mayor called an executive session to discuss matters of litigation or potential litigation under RCW 42.30.110(i) beginning at 8:40 p.m. until 8:50 p.m.

21. RECONVENED: The mayor reconvened the regular meeting at 8:50 p.m.

21. ADJOURNMENT: Mr. Freeman moved to adjourn, seconded by Mr. Culler. Motion carried unanimously. Mayor Mork adjourned the meeting at 9:05 p.m.

Daniel N. Mork, Mayor

Attest:

Thomas G. Richardson, City Clerk