

1. CALL TO ORDER: The Special Meeting of the Millwood City Council was called to order by Mayor Kevin Freeman at 6:10 p.m., May 20, 2014 at the Millwood City Hall. Council members present were: Glenn Bailey, Brian Ellingson and Dan Sander (by telephone). Shaun Culler was excused. Richard Schoen was absent. Also present: City Attorney Brian Werst, City Clerk/Planner Tom Richardson. The mayor announced that a quorum was present.

2. FLAG SALUTE: Mayor Freeman led the Pledge of Allegiance.

3. PUBLIC COMMENTS: None.

4. SOLID WASTE PLAN: Brian Werst gave an update on the Request for Proposals for Solid Waste Transfer/Disposal and preparation of the Comprehensive Solid Waste Management Plan. He explained how the City's decision to contract for transfer and disposal is affected by Waste Management's G-certificate for collection from WUTC.

Mr. Werst also updated the council on the current status of the County's Interlocal Agreement for solid waste transfer and disposal and CSWMP. Our main objections remain to be flow control and how industrial waste is treated. The county has offered several revisions to Spokane Valley related to utility tax revenues, flow control enforcement and the preparation of the CSWMP.

Doug Krapas, environmental manager for Inland Empire Paper Company, summarized the comments he made in his letter of March 29 to the mayor. IEP is deeply involved in solid waste management and beneficial. He has regulatory, liability, economic and loss of local control concerns with the county's proposed interlocal. He asked that IEP's operations continue to be exempt from flow control regulations.

Mr. Bailey moved to schedule a special meeting for Tuesday, June 3 at 6:00 p.m. for further discussion on the solid waste RFP and county interlocal agreement. Seconded by Mr. Ellingson. Motion carried unanimously.

5. UNION PACIFIC RAILROAD PROHIBITION OF PARKING ON EUCLID AVE: The mayor said the UP security personnel last week posted no parking signs along the UP right of way and notified people to move their cars or the cars would be towed.

Patrick Young, asked why this started at Marguerite, there are no signs by the church. The mayor said the railroad told him that they intend to sign the entire right of way.

Candy Widmer, owner of Massage by Design, said she was present on Wednesday p.m., when the railroad officer of the railroad and Evergreen Parking were there putting up the signs. They told her that the railroad was no longer interested in being liable for what was going on along the railroad, started with the problems down at Felts Field. The railroad is concerned about near-misses, parking close to the tracks, and littering.

Mr. Werst said one of Mayor Freeman's main objectives when he took office was to obtain the parking easement from the railroad. The railroad's concern at that time was the bus layover. City hall did not get any notice from the railroad about the no-parking signs. The mayor said he has already contacted STA to expedite the relocation of the bus layover.

Jim Burke, owner of Maggie Breen's, said he was told by a railroad person that they would not object to the parking if a fence was put up. He said he understood that the business owners could deal with the railroad directly. He asked that the parking issue be on the city's "front burner," and asked who would be the city's contact person. Mayor Freeman said Tom Richardson would be the contact person.

Mr. Richardson pointed out some other potential parking opportunities in the commercial area.

Shirene Young, IEP, asked what kind of document would be presented to the business community. The mayor said he would talk to the business community after he contacts the railroad. She said the parking issue is urgent and is now impacting all the businesses there. She said she has spoken with the church also, and said their farmers market starts next week. She has also spoken with the residents in the area to let them know what is happening.

6. STAFF REPORT: None.

7. LEGAL REPORT: None.

8. COUNCIL COMMENTS: None.

9. ANNOUNCEMENTS: The mayor said there would be a special council meeting on June 3 at 6:00 p.m.

10. PUBLIC COMMENTS: None.

11. EXECUTIVE SESSION: None.

12. ADJOURNMENT: Mr. Ellingson moved to adjourn. Seconded by Mr. Sander. Motion carried unanimously. Mayor Freeman adjourned the meeting at 7:25 p.m.


Kevin Freeman, Mayor

Attest:


Thomas G. Richardson, City Clerk