

January 5, 2009

The Regular Meeting of the Millwood City Council was called to order by Mayor Dan Mork at 7:00 p.m. January 5, 2009 at the Millwood City Hall. Council members present: Brian Ellingson, Richard Schoen, Kevin Freeman and Shaun Culler. Mr. Bailey was excused. Also present: Maintenance Supervisor Cleve McCoul, Planner Tom Richardson and Clerk Treasurer Eva Colomb.

Mayor Mork led the Flag Salute.
Pastor Manuel Denning of Fountain Ministries gave the Invocation.

CONSENT AGENDA: Minutes of the Regular Meeting held December 1, 2008, a Special Meeting held December 3, 2008; December Payroll \$26,084.56, December claims \$99,840.56 and Treasurer's Report for December 2008. Mr. Freeman moved to approve the Consent Agenda as presented, seconded by Mr. Ellingson. The motion carried unanimously.

PUBLIC COMMENTS: Mr. Craig Sly, 8409 E Euclid stated that he moved to Millwood in 1992 and that year, there was a lot of snow but he never had to shovel his driveway because the snow was plowed to the south. Mr. Sly explained how the road should be plowed. Mr. McCoul advised that snow can be plowed to the south until the accumulation reaches a certain height. Mr. Sly explained how a hydraulic plow can work. Mr. McCoul advised that the kind of plow Mr. Sly described is not on the City's vehicles and that a road grader would have to be employed for the result Mr. Sly requested. Mr. Sly asked that a traffic study be made on Euclid as was recently done on Fowler. Mayor Mork advised that a Special Meeting for the purpose of discussing traffic issues in Millwood will be scheduled in February.

Jim Breidenbach of Craftsman Construction 3106 N Argonne, expressed appreciation for the snow removal done on the streets and in the parking lot shared with the City Hall.

Barbara Bennett 3215 N Fowler stated that Fowler is a one lane goat path and asked if ruts at intersections can be chopped down.

MILLWOOD BETTER FOR BUSINESS: Shirene Young of I. E. Paper advised that a group of business owners in Millwood have been meeting once a month for several months to discuss how to improve the business environment in Millwood. Other members of the group present were introduced: Jeri Mainer of State Farm Insurance, Greg Mott, Todd Beese and Bobbie Beese of the Corner Door, Walt Anderson of Commercial Lending, Jeff Postelwait of Rocket Bakery and Dr. Mark Jensen of Millwood Family Dental. Dr. Jensen reviewed goals of Millwood Better for Business: to emphasize Millwood identity through Gateway entrance signs, to promote visibility as a walking community, refurbishment of the Historic District and business promotions. Dr. Jensen discussed concerns about impact to businesses during the upcoming Argonne rebuild project. Discussion was held regarding enhancements suggested in the Argonne Corridor Study that may be included in the project. Council members were invited to the next meeting of Millwood Better for Business meeting on January 21 at the Crossing at 7:00 p.m.

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FIRE DEPARTMENT REPORT: Spokane Valley Assistant Fire Chief Larry Rider discussed unsafe conditions because of the accumulation of snow in streets and on roofs. Run stats for 2008 were provided to Council members. Mr. Rider discussed the Fire Department taxing authority and revenue sources and explained a levy request that will be placed on a ballot in February.

MAINTENANCE REPORT: Mr. McCoul reported on snow removal activity. Water samples in December tested good. Water meters were read.

PLANNING DEPARTMENT REPORT: Mr. Richardson advised that work on updating the Comprehensive Plan is beginning. Notices regarding requesting changes to the Comprehensive Plan have been sent and discussed in an article in the Spokesman Review.

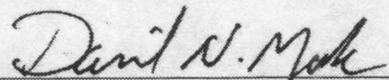
MEMORANDUM OF AGREEMENT: Council members reviewed a Memorandum of Agreement for implementing the detailed implementation plan for WRIAS 55 & 57 the Little and Middle Spokane Watersheds. After discussion, Mr. Schoen moved to authorize Mayor Mork to sign the Memorandum of Agreement. Mr. Freeman seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

SCHEDULE SPECIAL MEETING: A Special Meeting for the purpose of reviewing the proposed Right of Way regulation ordinance was scheduled for January 12, 2009 at 7:00 p.m. at the Millwood city Hall.

ANNOUNCEMENTS: Mayor Mork advised that a Special meeting for the purpose of discussing traffic issues on Fowler and Empire will be scheduled in February, possibly on the 18th.

CORRESPONDENCE: A letter of appreciation from resident Dan Hanson for snow removal; a letter from Waste Management regarding rate increases; a letter from M Gayle Puu regarding traffic issues on Fowler and Empire, the State of the Cities report from Association of Washington Cities.

ADJOURNMENT: Mr. Freeman moved to adjourn, seconded by Mr. Ellingson. Mayor Mork adjourned the meeting at 7:55 p.m.



DAN MORK, MAYOR

Attest:



Eva L. Colomb, Clerk-Treasurer