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

Mr. Mike Ellis led the Flag Salute

CONSENT AGENDA: Minutes of the Regular Meeting held June 1, 2009, a Special Meeting held June 3, 2009 and a Special Meeting held June 15, 2009. Claims for June 2009, \$514,103.47, Payroll for June 2009, \$30,222.89, and the Treasurer's Report for June 2009. Council members received the Payroll Warrant Register for the Payroll of June 30, 2009 and the Claims Warrant Register for Claims paid June 2, 2009. Mr. Bailey moved to approve the Consent Agenda, seconded by Mr. Schoen. The motion carried unanimously.

K-9 Service Award: Mayor Mork introduced Gordy who recently apprehended a suspect in the City and presented a Service Award to him.

PUBLIC COMMENTS: Mr. Mike Ellis, 3101 N Fowler, asked if a traffic impact study would be done soon. Mr. Ellis discussed the number of cars on Fowler and Empire and the size of Fowler. Mr. Ellis stated that there are no provisions for safety on Fowler. Mayor Mork advised that the contract for the traffic study will be discussed later in this meeting.

Mr. Brian Altmaier, 2828 N. Laura advised that because of sporting events held at West Valley High School, cars are parking on both sides of Laura making passage difficult. Mr. Altmaier stated that emergency vehicles would not be able to travel on Laura when cars are parked on both sides of the street. Mr. Altmaier discussed 'No Parking' signs located on other streets in Millwood and asked if signs could be placed on Laura. After discussion, Mr. Freeman moved to authorize Mr. Werst to draft an ordinance regarding placement of 'No Parking' signs on the east side of Laura from Grace to Buckeye. Mr. Bailey seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

Ms. Jeanne Ferguson, 3226 N. Woodruff stated that she uses Fowler to travel to and from her home and that under normal circumstances, there is not too much traffic on Fowler. Ms. Ferguson stated that it is a waste of money to do a traffic study.

Mr. Ellis discussed the number of people living in the area that have attended Council meetings in the past asking for help with the traffic in the area.

Jean Pearson, 10202 E Empire stated that even though the intersection of Argonne and Empire has reopened, large trucks are still using Empire. Many drivers are not observing the stop signs at Fowler and Empire. She is video taping the streets.

Dennis Hamblin, 3228 N. Farr stated that he has seen many police patrols in his neighborhood in the last several days and stated that there is no traffic problem on Dalton. Mr. Hamblin stated that patrols are needed at night.

ARGONNE ROAD REBUILD PROJECT UPDATE: Mr. Matt Gillis of Welch Comer Engineers advised that the contractor, Red Diamond, has moved off the project and will finish after the sidewalk contractor, Cameron Reilly, has completed their work. Discussion was held regarding the progress on the project over the last few weeks and when stock piles of dirt left along the railroad right of way may be removed. Mr. Hamblin asked if a business plan and a traffic plan had been developed before the project began and asked why cardboard speed limit signs were placed on Empire. Steve Peters asked if repair work will be done at Grace and Argonne where the pavement is buckling and deteriorating.

EXTRA DUTY TRAFFIC PATROL: Mayor Mork advised that extra duty patrols by Sheriff's deputies have been done each day for the last several days in order to manage traffic in neighborhoods due to the Argonne construction project. Mayor Mork reported the number of stops and tickets written at various locations around the City.

FIRE DEPARTMENT REPORT: Valley Fire District Deputy Chief Andy Hail stated that there was no fire activity in June.

MAINTENANCE REPORT: Mr. McCoul reported that in June, water samples tested good; load tests were performed on the lift station generators; a small water main leak was fixed on Woodruff; the wading pool and spray park opened for the summer; Consumer Confidence Reports on the Water System were mailed to property owners as required by the Washington State Department of Health; 15 faded stop signs were replaced; meetings regarding the placement of an Opticom device will be held in July.

CTED PLANNING GRANT: Mr. Richardson discussed progress on amendments to the Comprehensive Plan as required by the Growth Management Act and CTED Grant funds available for the work. Mr. Schoen moved to authorize Mayor Mork to sign a contract for CTED Grant Funds. Mr. Freeman seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously. Mr. Schoen moved to authorize Mayor Mork to sign a contract for consulting services with Studio Cascade for the next phase of Comprehensive Plan Amendments. Mr. Bailey seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

TRAFFIC STUDY CONTRACT: Council members reviewed a contract for a traffic study on Empire and Fowler and Butler. After discussion, Mr. Freeman moved to approve the contract with Welch Comer for the traffic study. Mr. Bailey seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

REVIEW – 2009 COMPREHENSIVE PLAN AMENDMENTS: Mr. Richardson distributed copies of draft amendments to the Comprehensive Plan and explained how the process of finalizing the amendments will occur.

PARK GAZEBO PLAN: Council members approved a design for the park gazebo.

RESOLUTION 09-03: Council members were advised that grant reimbursement funds for the Argonne Road Rebuild Project are received two or three weeks after

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reimbursement requests are submitted. Mr. Freeman moved to adopt Resolution 09-03 approving a transfer of funds from the Current Expense fund to the Street Fund so that payments to the contractor and engineers for work on the Argonne project can be made in a timely manner. Mr. Schoen seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

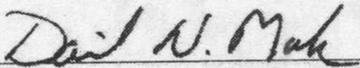
LEGAL REPORT: Mr. Werst discussed work done on easements for sidewalks and review of contracts approved earlier in the meeting.

SPECIAL MEETING: A Special Meeting for the purpose of discussing progress on the Argonne Road Rebuild Project and possible adoption of an ordinance regarding parking restrictions was scheduled for Monday, July 20, 2009 at 7:00 p.m. at the City Hall.

ANNOUNCEMENTS: Mayor Mork announced that Mr. Kelly Stravens has been appointed to fill Mr. Mola's term on the Planning Commission.

COUNCIL COMMENTS: Mr. Freeman suggested that the City explore the possibility of the City acquiring the right of way along the railroad on Euclid and Empire from Spokane County.
Discussion was held regarding application for Community Development Block Grant Funds for painting the water tower and other possible projects.

ADJOURNMENT: Mr. Freeman moved to adjourn, seconded by Mr. Culler. Mayor Mork adjourned the meeting at 8:00 p.m.



Dan Mork, Mayor

Attest:



Eva L. Colomb, Clerk-Treasurer