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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. September 8, 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.

The Flag Salute was led by Mike Ellis.

CONSENT AGENDA: Minutes of the Regular Meeting held August 3, 2009; August Payroll \$ 30,453.24; August Claims \$ 277,743.70; Treasurer's Report for August 2009. Council members received the Claims Warrant Register for Claims paid on August 4, 2009 and the Payroll Warrant Register for the Payroll of August 31, 2009. Ms Colomb advised that the Preliminary Budget for 2010 will be prepared during September. Mr. Schoen moved to approve the Consent Agenda, seconded by Mr. Culler. The motion carried unanimously.

PUBLIC HEARING – SIX YEAR STREET PLAN: At 7:07 p.m., Mayor Mork opened a Public Hearing on the Six Year Street Plan. Mr. McCoul explained which streets were included in the plan for future years. Discussion was held regarding placement of sidewalks and bike paths on certain streets not addressed in the Six Year Plan. Mayor Mork asked for comments from the public. Sandi Potts, 2823 N Laura asked about possible improvements on Laura; Jennifer Ferguson 3226 N Woodruff discussed a drainage problem at the corner of Dale and Dalton; Dennis Hamblin 3228 N. Farr asked if any changes were planned for traffic management at Argonne and Euclid and stated that the Argonne Road Improvement Project did nothing to ease traffic problems at that intersection. Discussion was held about the possibility of adding a left turn lane at the intersection in the future. Mike Ellis asked if a pedestrian pathway could be placed on Fowler for safety purposes. Mayor Mork asked for any further comments from the public. Hearing none, he closed the Public Hearing at 7:16 p.m.

RESOLUTION 09-05: Mr. Freeman moved to adopt Resolution 09-05, adopting the Six Year Street Plan as presented. Mr. Bailey seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

PUBLIC COMMENTS: Dennis Hamblin, 3228 N Farr, stated that too much money was planned for the park gazebo project. Mr. Hamblin stated that plans could be purchased from Spokane County for the gazebo for much less money than is planned for the gazebo. Mr. Werst explained in detail, requirements for public projects in the State of Washington.

Sandi Potts, 2823 N Laura asked about the contract with SCRAPS for animal control in the City and advised that cats were left at an abandoned house in her neighborhood which are not being picked up by SCRAPS.

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Richard Gardner, 10114 E Dalton, discussed the problem of speeding traffic on Empire. Discussion was held regarding recent extra duty patrol by the Sheriff's deputies and possible solutions to this problem.

Mike Ellis, 3101 N Fowler discussed safety issues on Fowler and Empire since school has started again.

Greg Mott, 3301 N Argonne discussed the success of the 'Taking Back Our Streets' event and thanked all involved for their work and support of the event.

BID AWARD – PARK GAZEBO: Eight responses to advertisement in the Spokesman Review requesting bids for construction of the park gazebo were received and opened at the City Hall at 2:00 p.m. September 3, 2009. They were: Associated Construction, \$39,890.00; Uphus, \$41,941.00; Diamond Building Group, \$44,900.00; Western States Construction, \$51,400.00; Dennis Clevenger Construction, \$43,572.00; Tiffany Homes, LLC, \$46,390.00; Leone & Keeble, Inc, \$39,100.00 and Centerline Construction, \$41,400.00. Council members were advised that all bids included the required bid bond. After discussion with members of the public regarding the design, Mr. Freeman moved to accept the bid of Leone & Keeble, seconded by Mr. Bailey. The motion carried unanimously.

FIRE DEPARTMENT REPORT: Captain Jeff Bordwell reported the Valley Fire activities in Millwood during August. There were 29 calls, 7 basic life support, 5 advanced life support, 9 minor vehicle accidents, 1 major accident, 1 fire, 5 single resource trucks to small fires, and 1 service call. He requested that the council carry over funds into the 2010 budget for the Opticom system in case the equipment is not put in before the end of the year.

MAINTENANCE REPORT: Mr. McCoul reported activity in August as follows: water samples tested good, three new stainless steel toilets were installed in the park restrooms; Norm's Construction completed their work on the installation of a fire line to I.E. Paper Company; water and sewer service was installed to a new house being built on East Dalton; the streets were swept; the pool was closed and a fire hydrant and stop sign knocked over by a truck at Empire and Boeing were replaced.

FOWLER/BUTLER/EMPIRE TRAFFIC STUDY REPORT: Matt Gillis gave his presentation starting out with a general tutorial on traffic calming, and then gave specifics on the streets he looked at in Millwood. He described enforcement and education which are the less expensive options, and the more expensive construction solutions. He reviewed the positives and negatives and costs of each of the physical obstruction alternatives: speed humps, chicanes, traffic circles and street closure. He reviewed speed and traffic data collected last year by Spokane County, and policies employed by other cities. He also reviewed ten-year traffic accident statistics for these streets. He recommended that the City do three things before spending construction money: a) upgraded and more visible signage as needed, b) re-start the enhanced traffic enforcement program which were very effective during the Argonne Road construction project this summer, and c) acquire a portable radar device which will educate drivers of their speed and the speed limit as well as collect data. He agrees

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with the recommendations contained in the report prepared by Susan Bowe at Washington Department of Transportation. Council directed Mayor to get new traffic counts, then to re-start the traffic enforcement. Richard Gardner asked about changing the right-turn control on Trent westbound at Argonne to reduce waiting for cars turning right. It was noted that this is a state highway located within the City of Spokane Valley.

ORDINANCE #383: AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL AMENDING MILLWOOD MUNICIPAL CODE TITLE 2, CHAPTER 2.16 OFFICERS' SALARIES: Mr. Bailey moved to approve Ordinance #383 which allows Council members to be paid for every meeting they attend in a month. Mr. Schoen seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

ORINANCE 384 – 2009 Comprehensive Plan Amendments

Mr. Richardson presented the comprehensive plan amendments recommended by the Planning Commission. Most of these amendments are to bring the plan into compliance with the Growth Management Act. Mr. Freeman moved to adopt Ordinance 384 which will approve the amendments as presented. Seconded by Mr. Culler. The motion carried unanimously

GMA PLANNING GRANT CONTRACT: GMA Planning Grant Contract

Mr. Richardson asked city council to approve a \$3,750 grant with Washington State Department of Commerce for the GMA update of the city's development regulations. Motion to approve made by Mr. Schoen. Seconded by Mr. Bailey. The motion carried unanimously.

PAYROLL WEEK PROCLAMATION: Mayor Mork read a Proclamation regarding Payroll Week.

LEGAL REPORT: Mr. Werst discussed work done on the Comprehensive Plan Updates and information he had obtained regarding the possibility of acquiring County Right of Way in Millwood.

ANNOUNCEMENTS: Mayor Mork announced that he may call a Special Meeting for the purpose of discussing the parking problems near West Valley High School.

CORRESPONDENCE: Council members received a letter from Greater Spokane Incorporated regarding Proposition 4.

COUNCIL COMMENTS:

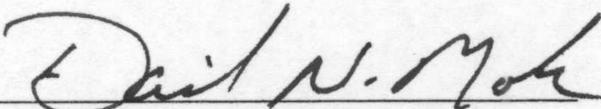
EXECUTIVE SESSION: At 9:10 p.m. Mayor Mork recessed the Regular Meeting for 10 minutes to convene Council in Executive Session pursuant to RCW 42.30.110(i) for 10 minutes to discuss pending litigation involving the City of Millwood. At 9:25

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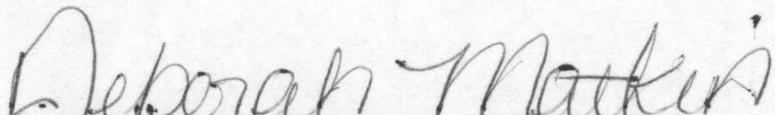
p.m., it was announced that the Executive Session would be extended another 5 minutes.

The Regular Meeting was reconvened at 9:45 p.m.

ADJOURNMENT:


DAN MORK, MAYOR

Attest:


Eva L. Colomb, Clerk-Treasurer