

City of Millwood Newsletter

January 2014



Calendar of Events-

All Council, and Planning Commission meetings are held at City Hall.

Jan 14, City Council Meeting
7:00 PM

Jan. 20, City Hall Closed
Martin Luther King Day

Jan 27, Planning Commission Mtg.
6:00 PM

Jan 28, Special City Council
7:00 PM

City of Millwood

9103 E Frederick Ave.

Spokane, WA 99206

(509) 924-0960

www.cityofmillwood.org

Office Hours

8:00 am—5:00 pm

Mon. thru Fri. (except
holidays)

(Closed 12:00—1:00 daily)

Pet Licensing Changes:



The new facility, opening in May, is located at 6815 E Trent Ave.

Millwood has entered into an agreement with Spokane County Regional Animal Protection Service (SCRAPS). The new rates will be:

\$25 for neutered/spayed dog

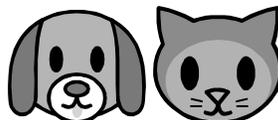
\$50 for non-neutered/spayed dog

\$15 for neutered/spayed cat

\$25 for non-neutered/spayed cat

Effective in 2014, no licenses will be sold at City Hall, but will be available online or at the present SCRAPS facility at 2521 N Flora.

We should see better service and convenience with the new SCRAPS facility's close proximity to the City.



Snow Removal

Snow plowing begins after snow accumulation of 4 inches or more. Normally the Public Works personnel are able to complete plowing all of Millwood's streets within 24 hours.

Residents are asked not to shovel or blow snow from their properties into the street. For information or to report problems, call 924-0960.



Planning Report

The Planning Commission is undertaking a review of the city's sign ordinance. This ordinance primarily applies to businesses on Argonne Rd and Trent Ave, although there are restrictions on signs in residential areas. If you would like to know more, or would like to provide input on this review, please contact Tom Richardson, City Planner, 924-0960 or by email at tom.richardson@cityofmillwood.org.

January is Radon Action Month

EPA is highlighting radon testing and mitigation as a simple and affordable step to significantly reduce the risk for lung cancer. Radon is a natural colorless, odorless radioactive gas, and is **the leading cause of lung cancer among non-smokers**, but testing for radon and reducing elevated levels when they are found can make your home healthier and safer.

EPA recommends contacting a qualified radon-reduction contractor:

- Test your home for radon — it's easy and inexpensive.
- Fix your home if your radon level is 4 picocuries per liter, or pCi/L, or higher. Contact a qualified radon-reduction contractor.

Radon levels less than 4 pCi/L still pose a risk, and in many cases may be reduced.

Radon test results are a positive selling point for those putting a house on the market. In addition, if you are looking to build a new home, there are now safer and healthier radon-resistant construction techniques that home buyers can discuss with builders to prevent this health hazard.

More information contact the Washington State Radon Office <http://www.epa.gov/radon/states/washington.html> or call 1-800-SOS-RADON.



Shop Local-Buy Local

Mayor Freeman's Message-

I'd like to begin by thanking the citizens of Millwood for their trust and support in electing me as mayor. I'd also like to thank Mr. Dennis Hamlin for a well-run campaign that brought out a number of issues (such as parking at the City Park, petty theft, and continued efforts at cost control) in the City that will need attention. Additionally, I'd like to take one last opportunity to thank Dan Mork for his years of service to the City; we are a better place for his efforts.

I look forward to meeting with the Millwood Better for Business group on January 21st. Over this next month, I will be working with City staff to plan for this coming year, including our upcoming Buckeye Avenue street and sidewalk restoration project.

Please feel free to contact me with any ideas or concerns. You can reach me at 509-724-1328 or via e-mail at kevin.freeman@cityofmillwood.org. Thank you.

-Kevin Freeman, Mayor

If you would like to donate to any Millwood Park or Tree Board projects simply contact the Spokane Parks Foundation. Your donation is tax deductible, their website is-

spokaneparksfoundation.org

Or you can send a check to:

Spokane Parks Foundation
315 West Mission Ave.# 26
Spokane, WA 99220

To assure your contribution goes to your City make sure to designate **Millwood Park, or Millwood Tree Board** on your on-line donation or check!



Wood Stove Change-Out Program

Millwood residents interested in trading in their old wood stove or fireplace insert can save \$500-\$1,000 off the purchase and installation of a cleaner wood, pellet or gas stove/insert or a mini-split, ductless heat pump. If you live within the Spokane County Smoke Control Zone and if you regularly heat with a non-EPA certified or pre-1995 wood stove (freestanding or insert) then you may qualify.

The amount of discount is based on the type of device you select for your upgrade. The discount amount is subtracted from the purchase and professional installation costs by a participating retailer.

The following discounts are provided to pre-qualified applicants at the time of purchase:

- \$500 toward a wood stove/insert
- \$700 toward a pellet stove/insert
- \$1,000 toward a gas stove or insert or a "mini-split-system" ductless heat pump

For more information, contact Spokane Regional Clean Air, 477-4727, or go to www.spokanecleanair.org.

