

Minutes
Mayor and City Council Meeting/ Work Session
January 06, 2004

Call to Order and Pledge of Allegiance

Official Reports:

City Manager Wallace: We do not have a landline for our computers and at the present time I am trying to get a landline so all of the Council Members will have an e-mail address that will work properly.

Commercial trash has been an issue with the city and I would like to give you the update on trash expenses. For the Commercial trash we spend \$15,400.00 a quarter, and \$62,000.00 per year.

I have reviewed the Assistant City Manager Resumes and I will be setting up interviews in the next week and then I will give the council a report.

As you know Mr. Muhammed did turned down the job offer after he signed a contract with us and we did hire a new Treasurer and he did say he is looking forward to coming to work for Mount Rainier.

General Public Comment:

Grover Gardner: I am here because I was suppose to come back an let the council members know what I found on the vote of Joes Movement Emporium. I found that Council Member Gandee did send an e-mail to Brook Kidd asking to meet with her privately to discuss some matters and if she did not agree you would have a hard time making a decision on a vote. I know if that meeting would have happened it would have been illegal.

Amy Barrett: I want to ask that we look deeper for a vision on what we like Mount Rainier to be. Also we need to look at what benefit does the city get from the businesses that are here and compare it to the expenses that the city puts out to the businesses.

Council Member Gandee: It cost more to have businesses here because most of the businesses are non-profit.

Mayor Knedler: We do bring in money from the parking meters and if we didn't have any businesses no one would park at the meters.

Mary Jean Hayes: I would like to congratulate Pedro. I also would like to ask that public works are more careful when they are picking up the trash because I have bought

two new trash cans and I will have to buy another one soon because the trash cans are getting thrown around on trash day.

Marilyn Mowat: I think the tree committee needs to do something about a limb that has been hanging down from a tree since October.

Jack Engle: I wanted to thank Chief Keeney for the work he has done. I think that he has done a wonderful job.