
CITY OF SEDRO-WOOLLEY

Regular Meeting of the City Council
July 11, 2001 – 7:00 P.M. – Community Center

The Meeting was called to order at 7:00 P.M.

Pledge of Allegiance

ROLL CALL

Present: Mayor Dillon, Councilmembers Silves, Meamber, Miller, Storrs, Lemley and Warner.
Staff Members: City Attorney Hayden, Clerk/Treasurer Nelson, Planner Hallberg, Engineer
Barnet, Police Chief Cooper and Fire Chief Klinger.

Consent Calendar

- Minutes from Previous Meeting
- Finance
 - Claim Vouchers #43287 to #43388 for \$97,766.76
 - Payroll Warrants #27080 to #27170 for \$111,413.60

Councilmember Miller moved to approve the consent calendar A through B. Seconded by Councilmember Warner and Storrs. Motion carried.

Public Comment

Thom Fischer – 613 Lynden Drive, Bellingham, President of Tollhouse Energy addressed the Council to explain what their power plant proposal would have been within Sedro-Woolley. Fischer explained the company's vision of being community minded, bringing income to the area with taxes and providing new industry to the community. Fischer announced that Tollhouse has decided not to move forward with this project and read a prepared statement announcing the withdrawal of their permit application to construct a 112-megawatt natural gas-fired generating plant.

Nan Laney – 28671 Utopia Road, spoke to the Council requesting consideration of placing a moratorium on any power plants within Sedro-Woolley. She stated now is the time to move forward in a positive manner. She provided Council a copy of the City of Bellingham’s moratorium to act as a guide.

John Sedgewick – 1011 Jameson St., thanked the Mayor and City Council for passing the recent resolution requiring an EIS for the power plant project. He spoke on the quality of life in the City and encouraged looking into other types of industry.

PUBLIC HEARINGS

None

OLD BUSINESS

None

NEW BUSINESS

Paving Contract for Ferry Street

Engineer Barnet presented background information for the proposed paving for Ferry Street between the two railroad crossings from Highway 20 to Eastern Street. Barnet explained three options of repair but indicated that at the present time the budget only allows for Option A.

Resolution – John Falavolito Appeal

Planner Hallberg reviewed a proposed resolution based on an agreement reached with John Falavolito regarding Traffic Impact Fees for the Riverside Health Club. Hallberg stated that while the City believes they are right, they considered the time and money involved in trying to support that belief and have negotiated an agreement based on those considerations.

Councilmember Silves moved to pass Resolution #651-01 A Resolution of the Sedro-Woolley City Council Dismissing the Appeal by John Falavolito of the Decision of the Sedro-Woolley Planning Commission Upholding the Traffic Impact Fees for the Riverside Health Club. Seconded by Councilmember Meamber. Motion carried.

Councilmember Meamber thanked the staff for their time and consideration in working on this matter.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

None

COMMITTEE REPORTS AND REPORTS FROM OFFICERS

Fire Chief Klinger – noted a Countywide burn ban currently in place.

Police Chief Cooper – noted a reasonably calm Loggerodeo Festival.

Councilmember Miller – questioned the status of the motorcycle for the department.

Planner Hallberg – stated a pre-annexation agreement is being worked on for the Lange/Janicki/Fleming annexation and should come before the Council at a future meeting. She also noted work is continuing on the redistricting proposal.

Clerk/Treasurer Nelson – handed out forms for Council use for reporting areas of concern. She said the forms will be an avenue to provide feedback as to what action was taken.

Councilmember Silves – noted she lives in the area of the Carnival and that things went well.

Councilmember Meamber – complimented everyone on the look of the City during Loggerodeo. He stated he received positive comments on the availability of Port-a-Pottes and signage.

Councilmember Miller – gave a big “well done to the entire city staff”.

Councilmember Storrs – questioned the progress on the Hammer Heritage Park.

Barnet stated the contract had been awarded to Snelson’s. They came back with some changes and the changes have been reviewed by the Consulting Firm overseeing remediation. Barnet just today received the OK and will be meeting with the contractor to set up a schedule.

Councilmember Lemley – gave kudos to the Street and Parks department. He noted the Chamber has had positive comments regarding the events that took place. Lemley also congratulated the Mayor for her front cover article and photograph in the Business Monthly publication.

Mayor Dillon – thanked all City staff for going above and beyond the call of duty during Loggerodeo.

Councilmember Meamber moved to adjourn. Seconded by Councilmember Silves.

The Meeting adjourned at 7:43 P.M.

ATTEST:

APPROVED:
