
CITY OF SEDRO-WOOLLEY

Continued Meeting of the City Council from November 6, 2002
November 13, 2002 – Community Center – 7:00 P.M.

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

Pledge of Allegiance

Roll Call

Present: Mayor Dillon, Councilmembers Meamber, Storrs, Pearson, Splane, Lemley and Anderson. Staff Members: City Attorney Hayden, Clerk/Treasurer Nelson, Engineer Barnet, Police Chief Cooper and Fire Chief Klinger, Planner Hallberg (Late).

Mayor Dillon introduced Kirk Peterson, newly elected representative from 39th District, who was in the audience.

PUBLIC HEARING

2003 Budget (continued)

Mayor Dillon opened the public hearing at 7:03 P.M.

No public testimony given.

Mayor Dillon closed the public hearing at 7:04 P.M.

OLD BUSINESS

Ordinance – Property Tax Levy

Mayor Dillon introduced the proposed Property Tax Levy ordinance.

Councilmember Anderson expressed support of the ordinance but stressed the importance of putting the increase into equipment or building reserves for the future.

Councilmember Splane noted through discussions with the public they do not support any type of tax increase due to the state of the economy.

Councilmember Pearson moved to approve Ordinance #1434-02 An Ordinance of the City of Sedro-Woolley Approving An Increase in the Regular Property Tax Levy, in Addition to any Amount Resulting from the Addition of New Construction and Improvements and Addition of Properties as a Result of Annexation. Seconded by Councilmember Storrs.

Councilmember Meamber requested clarification of the dollars involved.
Clerk/Treasurer Nelson noted it would be approximately a \$32,000 difference.

Mayor Dillon restated the motion.

Roll Call Vote: Councilmember Anderson – Yes, Lemley – Yes, Pearson – Yes, Storrs – Yes, Splane – No, Meamber – Yes. Motion carried.

Scope of Work – Skagit Manufacturing Access and Signalization Phase II

Engineer Barnet reviewed background information and the scope of work for the signal for the Skagit Manufacturing and Signalization project. Barnet requested Council approve a contract with David Evans and Associates in the amount not to exceed \$181,792.04 and authorize the Mayor to issue a Notice to Proceed.

Discussion ensued on access to Munro Street from the park, location of DOT property, review of progress, funding and environmental issues and studies.

Councilmember Storrs moved to approve the scope of work contract for the Skagit Manufacturing Access and Signalization Phase II, Scope of Work with David Evans and Associates in the amount not to exceed \$181,792.04 and authorize the Mayor to sign the Notice to Proceed. Seconded by Councilmember Meamber. Motion carried.

Jameson Street Sidewalk Re-location

Engineer Barnet reviewed background issues on the Jameson Street Sidewalk re-location. Barnet reviewed alternatives for re-location of the sidewalk and requested Council input for their preference on which of the three alternatives to proceed with. Barnet stated it was his belief that alternative #3 is the one that Council had previously directed staff to proceed with.

A lengthy discussion on surveying and property lines ensued.

Neenia Stevens – 1202 Jameson St., questioned the dedication of property. Stevens spoke on the history of construction in the area and presented an option for standardizing the right-of-way, leaving the sidewalk and placing no parking signs.

Connie Grandy – General Delivery, Sedro-Woolley, spoke on cooperation of the neighbors in connection with the easements and encouraged Council to proceed with obtaining a survey.

Engineer Barnet reminded Council of the conditions they placed for the Fidalgo plat at the time of their decision on the sidewalk and noted that the Fidalgo plat plans are in the process of being reviewed for approval.

Bruce Grandy – General Delivery, Sedro-Woolley, addressed development of the north side of the street and noted that the original solution was to place no parking signs, which met with opposition from the City. Grandy presented a history of the process of the sidewalks and encouraged Council to do the right thing.

Shane Stoakes – 1210 Jameson, spoke against placement of the road and the impact it would be to his property.

It was the consensus of the Council for staff to proceed with a scope of work for surveying the area.

NEW BUSINESS

Population Allocation

Mayor Dillon introduced the topic of Population Forecasts and the reallocation through the year 2025.

Attorney Hayden presented background information on the process of the forecast method used to determine the population.

Lengthy discussion followed to include effect on grant funding, infrastructure and the forecasting process.

Planner Hallberg recommended adopting a forecast targeted at the medium range. She noted that the goal of the community vision is to have jobs to go along with the growth to avoid becoming a bedroom community.

2003 Council Meeting/Workshop/Budget Schedule

Mayor Dillon presented a proposed schedule for 2003 for Council, Workshop and Budget sessions. She requested Council review and respond prior to the next meeting.

COMMITTEE REPORTS AND REPORTS FROM OFFICERS

Planner Hallberg – reported on the Garden of Eden Road neighborhood planning meeting for the transportation element. She also noted an upcoming meeting to be held for the residents of the east side of town.

Councilmember Lemley – questioned the date of the display for the fire truck.

Fire Chief Klinger noted it is scheduled for next Wednesday at 5:30 P.M.

Mayor Dillon noted a ladder truck will be passing through the town and will be stopping at City Hall for demonstration. The City would like to purchase a ladder truck in the future.

Public Comment

None

Councilmember Splane moved to adjourn. Seconded by Councilmember Lemley.
Motion carried.

The Meeting adjourned at 8:25 P.M.