
CITY OF SEDRO-WOOLLEY

Regular Meeting of the City Council
February 12, 2003 – 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, Splane, Storrs, Pearson, Miller, Lemley and Anderson. Staff Members: City Attorney Hayden, Clerk/Treasurer Nelson, Planner Hallberg (Late) and Police Chief Cooper.

Consent Calendar

- Minutes from Previous Meeting
- Finance
 - Claim Vouchers #47722 to #47886 for \$151,476.69
 - Payroll Warrants #30498 to #30586 for \$114,420.37
- Interlocal Agreement – Vehicle Testing Maintenance
- Request for Waiver of Fees – Riverfront Park
- Request for Waiver of Fees – Community Center
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- Storm Drain Ditch SR 9 South
- Contract – Leonard, Boudinot & Skodje

Councilmember Storrs moved to approve the consent calendar A through I. Seconded by Councilmember Splane. Motion carried.

Public Comment

None

PUBLIC HEARINGS

None

OLD BUSINESS

Interlocal Agreement – Port of Skagit County for Grant Funding

Planner Hallberg spoke on some grants the City received on behalf of the Downtown Revitalization Committee. The grants are to conduct a feasibility study for the trolley project and to improve the signage to direct people into the downtown area. Staff is

requesting Council authorize the Mayor to sign the Interlocal Agreements with the Port of Skagit County as part of the grant process.

Councilmember Meamber moved to direct the Mayor to sign the Interlocal Agreement with the Port of Skagit County. Seconded by Councilmembers Storrs and Miller. Motion carried.

NEW BUSINESS

Contract – Engineer/Public Works Position

Mayor Dillon introduced Richard Blair to the Council and recommended they approve his contract for the position of Engineer/Public Works Director.

Councilmember Lemley moved to appoint Richard Blair to the position of City Engineer/Public Works Director and accept the contract as presented. Seconded by Councilmember Meamber. Motion carried.

Ordinance – Adoption of City Standards for the Unincorporated UGA

Attorney Hayden briefly outlined the background which pointed the City in the direction of the proposed ordinance. Hayden noted there have been continual discussion and the City has taken different positions requiring developers to build infrastructure at time of development. The County Commissioners have declined to adopt the impact fee ordinance for development within the UGA. He said they have also declined the interim ordinance aimed at getting short plats to do infrastructure. Hayden stated the purpose of the interim ordinance was to buy time for the City to readdress this issue. He noted to his knowledge the County has adopted all other cities development ordinances but have declined to adopt Sedro-Woolley's. The proposed ordinance brings the UGA to the boundaries of the City limits. Hayden also reviewed other options the Council has.

Councilmember Anderson questioned the impact of the Northern State property. He also requested copies of other City's agreements to review the differences.

Councilmember Storrs moved to approve Ordinance #1442-03 An Ordinance of the City of Sedro-Woolley, Washington, Amending Ordinance #1386-00 and Ordinance No. 1387-00, Reducing the Urban Growth Boundary of the City of Sedro-Woolley to Conform to the City Limits for an Interim Period, and Setting a Public Hearing for March 12, 2003. Councilmember Lemley seconded.

Roll Call Vote: Councilmember Anderson – No, Lemley – Yes, Miller – No, Pearson – Yes, Storrs – Yes, Splane – Yes, Meamber – No. Motion carried 4-3.

Ordinance – Plan Check Fees for Duplicate Plan Checks

Ardell McCombs, City Building Official presented the background information for the proposed ordinance. He stated that this was at the suggestion of several contractors who are building multiple buildings utilizing the same plans.

Councilmember Anderson moved to adopt Ordinance #1443-03 An Ordinance Providing for an Amendment to SWMC Chapter 15.04, Providing for a Discount in the Plan Check Fee for Subsequent Submissions of Identical Plans within Six Months by the Same Applicant. Councilmember Lemley seconded.

Roll Call Vote:

Councilmember Meamber – Yes, Splane – Yes, Storrs – Yes, Pearson – Yes, Miller – Yes, Lemley – Yes and Anderson – Yes. Motion carried.

Resolution – In Support of Flood Protection Monies in the National Transportation Act

Mayor Dillon introduced the proposed Resolution to show a united front from the County, asking Congress to include the Three Bridge Corridor Project to be included in the Federal Transportation Act.

Councilmember Storrs moved to approve Resolution #671-03 In the Matter of City of Sedro-Woolley Support for a High Priority Transportation Project to Extend Skagit River Bridges for Flood Protection. Seconded by Councilmember Miller. Motion carried.

Cemetery Property

Mayor Dillon introduced the topic of acquiring more land adjacent to the Cemetery.

Attorney Hayden stated the property owner (Riggles) of approximately 10 acres adjacent to the Cemetery has had offers from developers. They have indicated they would entertain an offer by the City. Hayden explained the process and stated the next step if Council is interested would be to get an appraisal.

Councilmember Storrs moved to authorize the Mayor to obtain an appraisal on Riggles land. Seconded by Councilmember Lemley. Motion carried.

Mayor Dillon stated they would come back to Council with the information when received.

COMMITTEE REPORTS AND REPORTS FROM OFFICERS

A short discussion of potholes, repairs and streets was held.

Councilmember Lemley – noted the need for a street sign at the intersection of 3rd and Warner.

Councilmember Miller – questioned the feedback on the signage on the school zone on Hwy 9.

Councilmember Splane – questioned the status of the junk yard on State Street (County Jurisdiction).

Councilmember Meamber – welcomed the new Engineer, Richard Blair to the City.

Mayor Dillon – requested a short meeting with the Technical Committee after the meeting.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

The Meeting was adjourned at 7:45 P.M. to executive session for the purpose of personnel issues with a possible decision to be made.

The meeting reconvened at 8:12 P.M.

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

The meeting adjourned at 8:13 P.M.