
CITY OF SEDRO-WOOLLEY

Regular Meeting of the City Council
August 27, 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, Lemley and Anderson. Staff Members: City Attorney Hayden, Clerk/Treasurer Nelson, Planner Hallberg, Engineer Blair and Police Chief Cooper.

Consent Calendar

- Minutes from Previous Meeting
- Finance
 - Claim Vouchers #49367 to #49466 for \$203,644.80
 - Payroll Warrants #31705 to #31799 for \$161,104.16
- Waiver of Fees – Riverfront Park
- Small Works Roster – Public Works Agreement – Lee Johnson & Sons

Councilmember Storrs moved to accept the consent calendar A through D. Seconded by Councilmember Splane. Motion carried.

Presentation – Solid Waste Truck Demo

The meeting was recessed at 7:04 P.M. for Council to move outside to view a demonstration by Nathan Salseina on the new truck recently acquired by the Solid Waste Department.

The meeting was called back to order at 7:14 P.M.

Public Comment

James Hawkings – 1211 State Street, requested the topic of fees incurred by him through the recent Conditional Use Hearing and Appeal be discussed by Council.

Councilmember Meamber requested the topic be placed under New Business for further discussion.

Clerk/Treasurer Nelson read a letter into the record from Charles Cope regarding the recent action on the Hwy 20 speed limit change. The letter addressed a lack of poor planning and engineering mistakes by the DOT and requested the City require DOT to come back and install turn lanes from Collins to Rhodes Road.

Council discussion ensued which included width of the road, timing, funding and stop lights.

PUBLIC HEARINGS

None

OLD BUSINESS

None

NEW BUSINESS

Agreements – Waste Management – Solid Waste Collection Services

Attorney Hayden presented background information and reviewed the proposed contracts. Hayden addressed annexations, commercial roll off services and cost adjustments. Hayden stated the contracts are similar to contracts between Waste Management and Mount Vernon and Burlington.

Council discussion took place on duplication of services and annexation.

Councilmember Anderson moved to execute two contracts with Waste Management, one for yard waste and recycling and the second for solid waste services inside the City limits of Sedro-Woolley. Seconded by Councilmembers Storrs and Splane. Motion carried.

Contract – Graphic Services – BMR Graphics and Advertising

Planner Hallberg presented background information on her request to authorize the Mayor to sign a contract for Graphic Services. She stated \$4000.00 was budgeted for printing of the 2003 Comprehensive Plan. During the course of preparing the update, the Planning Commission suggested that there be illustrated guidelines to the development codes. Rather than reprinting the Comprehensive Plan, Hallberg is requesting the amount budgeted for printing be used for hiring a designer for illustrations of key parts of the development regulations. Hallberg reviewed the Scope of Work.

Discussion was held on impact on the in-house copy machine and budget and future updates.

Councilmember Storrs moved to enter into a contract with BMR Graphics and Advertising to prepare illustrations for zoning and development codes not to exceed \$4,000.00. Councilmember Pearson seconded. Motion carried.

Interlocal Agreement w/Skagit County – Provision of Senior Services 2004

Mayor Dillon reviewed the proposed interlocal agreement for Senior Services for the year 2004. She noted Skagit County has requested a 3% increase over last year's contract and her recommendation is to grant a 1% increase.

Councilmember Anderson moved to enter into an interlocal agreement with Skagit County Senior Services and the 2004 budgeted amount for contributions will be \$16,685.00. Seconded by Councilmember Splane. Motion carried.

Interlocal Agreement w/Skagit County & Cities – SHB 2060 Funds

Mayor Dillon reviewed the proposed Interlocal agreement for Skagit County Community Action Agency. She reviewed the income sources for this fund and noted it has no cost to the City. The funding comes from State legislation passed under SHB 2060 and the interlocal agreement allows the County to receive and disburse funds to all cities under the bill. Each city has a representative to the Community Action Agency and Sedro-Woolley is represented by Councilmember Meamber.

Councilmember Storrs moved to enter into an interlocal cooperative agreement between Skagit County, the cities of Anacortes, Mount Vernon, Burlington and Sedro-Woolley and the towns of Concrete, Hamilton, La Conner and Lyman for the purpose of administrating surplus funds created as a result of SHB 2060. Seconded by Councilmember Pearson. Motion carried.

Hawkings Refund Request for Fees

Councilmember Meamber spoke regarding the request by James Hawkings on a refund of some of the fees he paid regarding his Conditional Use and Appeal process. Councilmember Meamber supported a refund of some of his fees.

James Hawkings – stated that he applied for the Conditional Use Permit under duress because he believed he was grandfathered in and that proof was shown. He noted that his fees were \$300.00 for the Conditional Use Application and \$200.00 for the Appeal. There was also a note of attorney's fees.

Council discussion ensued to include setting precedence, appeal charges, change of ownership and grandfathering.

Councilmember Meamber moved to return a total of \$500.00, \$300.00 which was charged by the City of Sedro-Woolley to Mr. Hawkings for a Conditional Use Permit and \$200.00 which was charged by the City of Sedro-Woolley to Mr. Hawking for an appeal. Council feels that Mr. Hawkings was unjustly made to pursue the Conditional Use Permit and thus the appeal. Seconded by Councilmember Pearson. Motion carried.

Supplemental Agreement for Bayside

Engineer Blair reviewed a supplemental agreement for Bayside Services for cleaning the large sewer trunk lines on 3rd Street down to the sewage treatment plant. Blair stated the City owned vactor is not large enough for this type of cleaning and the City has no record of these lines being cleaned. They have reached their existing contract amount and the supplemental agreement is for extra to complete the work and will continue the contract from August 31, 2003 to September 5, 2003. The additional work to be performed will not exceed \$1,000.00, for a total contract amount of \$11,000.00.

Councilmember Splane moved to enter into an extension with Bayside Services for the work to be completed September 5, 2003 not to exceed \$11,000.00. Councilmember Pearson seconded. Motion carried.

COMMITTEE REPORTS AND REPORTS FROM OFFICERS

Councilmember Anderson – requested Council consider a blanket policy if an appeal is upheld, a refund of the fees be given.

Discussion was held with the consensus of Council being that refund of appeal fees be reviewed on a case by case basis.

Councilmember Anderson – also questioned the status of private roads and encouraged action.

Attorney Hayden reminded Council that whatever decisions are made about road standards will affect parts of the development codes and the decision needs to be made in the context of the 2004 land use regulations.

Councilmember Storrs – stated he would entertain any ideas for City Hall.

Councilmember Meamber – questioned rumors circulating around town on signage for the 39th District office and requested someone look into the situation. Meamber also noted that he has had concerns on the right hand turn lane coming off of Hwy 20 onto Ferry Street.

Councilmember Anderson – reported on the progress of former Councilmember Beitler's condition after his motorcycle accident. Anderson stated he is currently recuperating at the Life Care Center.

Police Chief Cooper – reported on proposed changes in the upcoming proposal with the Skagit County Humane Society. Cooper noted he is disputing their proposal and researching other options.

Clerk/Treasurer Nelson – reported on the recent bid process for the painting of the library. She noted the bid was for one coat of paint and due to the color choice and type

of siding, two coats of paint were necessary. The bid was awarded to Arnold Painting (a local company), he is willing to split the difference in the cost of the additional coat and is also requesting Council approval of a manual warrant for payment.

Councilmember Storrs moved to pay Arnold Painting and Home Repair, \$4,625.70 with a manual warrant to be cut on August 28, 2003. Seconded by Councilmember Meamber. Motion carried.

Attorney Hayden – reported on the recent adoption of an interim ordinance by Skagit County modifying the conditions for all Urban Growth Areas. This will allow time to negotiate a permanent settlement to the pending Growth Management Hearing Board case. In return for them passing the ordinance, the City's have agreed to continue the pending case up to 6 months to permit a negotiated solution.

Councilmember Anderson moved to adjourn. Councilmember Storrs seconded. Motion carried.

The meeting adjourned at 8:40 P.M.