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CITY OF SEDRO-WOOLLEY  
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Regular Meeting of the City Council  
February 11, 2004 – 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: Meamber, Splane, Storrs, Galbraith, Lemley, Colgan and Anderson. Staff: City Attorney Hayden, Clerk/Treasurer Nelson, Engineer Blair, Planner Hallberg, Police Chief Cooper and Fire Chief Klinger.

Mayor Dillon announced the addition to the agenda of New Business Item #9 – Surface Water Management.

**Consent Calendar**

- Minutes from Previous Meeting
- Finance
- Claim Vouchers #50630 to #50751 for \$149,473.01 (Voided Warrant #50631)
- Payroll Warrants #32735 to #32824 for \$163,844.22
- Waiver of Fees – Memorial Park – SWHS Alumni Association (May 8, 2004)
- Waiver of Fees – Community Center – DSHS (March 23, 2004)
- Setting Public Hearing – Annexation Application #1950 – Gentry
- Skagit County Sewer Grant (Amendment to Interlocal Agreement)

Councilmember Lemley moved to approve the consent calendar items A through F. Seconded by Councilmember Storrs. Motion carried.

**Public Comment**

Max Alaways – questioned why the public comments were not at the end of the meeting where the answers can be given at the same time. He believes the timing to be backwards.

**PUBLIC HEARINGS**

None

**OLD BUSINESS**

None

## **NEW BUSINESS**

### Architect Report – City Hall Building

Ron Murphy and Joanna Funk from Stickney, Murphy, Romaine in Seattle presented the findings of the building rehabilitation feasibility study for City Hall. Murphy reviewed the firm's history and experience. He noted the evaluation is a threshold evaluation and reviewed the criteria of the report and concept options.

Joanna Funk reviewed visual layouts on the existing layout of the building and potential options for use. Funk stated some of the concepts included in the review of the building were life safety and exiting, building accessibility, earthquake requirements and sprinkler issues.

The concept options with rough estimate ranges were reviewed with a Council and audience question period following. Questions included additions to the building, setbacks, parking, elevator location, cost of service fees, price comparisons of new construction vs. renovation and public climate.

Mr. Murphy noted other considerations that should be looked into should Council decide to continue would be soft costs, equipment budget and other miscellaneous items.

### Janicki Machine Annexation

Planner Hallberg reviewed the packet information of the Notice of Intent for Annexation for Stanislaw LLC. She reviewed four issues that the Council should consider prior to making their decision. She also recommended should the Council accept the petition, public hearing be set for March 10, 2004. Hallberg reviewed the maps of the proposed annexation area and reviewed options for annexation.

Discussion was held on additional areas of annexation interest, annexing against peoples wishes and the differences in taxes.

Rob Janicki – 103 N. Township, representing the annexation request, addressed the Council regarding their request for annexation in order to expand their facility. Janicki noted the advantage of having only one agency obtain approvals along with the fact that their proposed expansion exceeds the interlocal agreement limits between the City and County. He spoke on the length of time involved with the annexation process and noted his commitment to make the process a positive one for everyone involved.

Council discussion ensued to include site access, necessary road improvements, notification and a public hearing date.

Attorney Hayden summarized issues before the Council.

Councilmember Storrs moved to accept the petition for annexation from Stanislaw LLC, their property will be required to include its proportionate share of City indebtedness, and the property will be subject to the adopted land use designations of the City of Sedro-Woolley's comprehensive plan. Seconded by Councilmember Splane. Motion carried.

Councilmember Storrs moved to continue the deliberation on the annexation area. Councilmember Anderson seconded. Motion carried.

#### Interlocal Agreement – Technical Rescue

Fire Chief Klinger noted that the Technical Rescue topic has been discussed at Council worksessions. He stated Sedro-Woolley would be the first agency to sign the interlocal agreement. Other jurisdictions are waiting for our approval.

Councilmember Meamber moved to enter into an interlocal agreement for Technical Rescue with the other City, County and Fire Districts in Skagit County. Seconded by Councilmember Splane. Motion carried.

#### Ordinance – Amending Council & Workshop Meeting Schedule (Time Change)

Mayor Dillon reviewed the proposed Ordinance which clarifies the starting time for Worksessions and Council meetings and the dates of the meetings for the year 2004.

Councilmember Meamber moved to adopt Ordinance #1465-04 An Ordinance of the City of Sedro-Woolley Amending the 2004 City Council Meeting Schedule. Councilmember Lemley seconded.

Roll Call Vote: Councilmember Meamber – Yes, Splane – Yes, Storrs – Yes, Colgan – Yes, Galbraith – Yes, Lemley – Yes and Anderson – Yes. Motion carried.

#### Surface Water Management

Jennifer Alyer – Surface Water Manager with the City of Mount Vernon, addressed the Council and read a prepared statement regarding a lawsuit filed by PEER against the Federal Emergency Management Agency. Alyer is requesting Council to join in an Intervener Lawsuit. She stated there is no cost to the City as it is being funded by the National Home Builders but there may be some time required by the Mayor and staff.

Council discussion ensued to include costs and number of parcels involved.

Councilmember Anderson requested to move to executive session at a later date for discussion of the potential lawsuit prior to any decision.

## **COMMITTEE REPORTS AND REPORTS FROM OFFICERS**

Mayor Dillon – reminded the newly or re-elected Councilmembers to sign the new City ID Cards.

Fire Chief Klinger – requested a quick meeting with the Fire committee after the meeting.

Police Chief Cooper – announced the receipt of a traffic safety grant in the amount of \$2,000.00 for the purchase of two new radar units to replace older units.

Engineer Blair – announced the birth of his first child, Katarina Grace Blair.

Attorney Hayden – updated the Council on the UGA development standards draft agreement. He noted the agreement seemed to be in agreement with everyone involved and County Commissioners appear to have reversed their position and will not accept the agreement. Hayden stated that under direction of the Mayor they are going to let the Growth Management Hearing proceed on their normal course. Hayden expressed his disappointment with the Commissioners reversing their decision.

Clerk/Treasurer Nelson – requested confirmation of how many Councilmembers are planning to attend the Municipalities meeting scheduled for February 19<sup>th</sup> regarding the future of solid waste within Skagit County.

Councilmember Anderson – addressed the potholes and the purchase and use of the patching machine.

Engineer Blair noted the batch plants are not operating at this time. He also noted that they are looking into a different material for pothole patching.

Councilmember Lemley – noted he turned in a red action request which also addressed potholes.

Councilmember Galbraith – thanked staff for filling the potholes on Thresher.

Councilmember Storrs – thanked Engineer Blair for his timely resolution to a matter he brought to his attention.

Stan Palowicz – 822 Bennett St., addressed the Council regarding the paving of some alleys and not others especially when our street are full of holes.

Engineer Blair stated the goal of the alleys are to have them all paved because it is less maintenance intensive, with gravel more maintenance is necessary.

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

The Meeting adjourned at 9:04 P.M.