
CITY OF SEDRO-WOOLLEY

Regular Meeting of the City Council
June 23, 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, Lemley, Galbraith, and Anderson. Staff: City Attorney Hayden, Clerk/Treasurer Nelson, Engineer Blair, Planner Lahr, Police Chief Cooper and Fire Chief Klinger.

Consent Calendar

- Minutes from Previous Meeting
- Finance
 - Claim Vouchers #51701 to #51887 for \$305,247.89
 - Payroll Warrants #33562 to #33657 for \$129,552.21 (Voided Warrant #33561)
- Waiver of Fees – Riverfront Park – Mary Purcell Elementary – June 8th, 2004
- Street Closures Request – Loggerodeo – July 3 & 4th, 2004
- Contract – Reichardt & Ebe for On-Call Professional Services
- Contract – Katy Isaksen for 2004 Sewer Comprehensive Plan Financial Update
- Setting Public Hearing – Township & Metcalf Streets Sewer Moratorium
- Appointment to Sedro-Woolley Library Board
- Regional Trail Connection Grant Resolution

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

Public Comment

None

PUBLIC HEARINGS

Public Works Construction Standards Interim Ordinance

Engineer Blair noted that staff continues to work towards having cohesion with the code, comp plan and the construction standards and the interim ordinance is a step towards that effort.

Mayor Dillon opened the public hearing at 7:06 P.M.

No public comment.

Mayor Dillon closed the public hearing at 7:07 P.M.

Councilmember Anderson moved to adopt Ordinance No. 1475-04 An Interim Ordinance of the City of Sedro-Woolley Continuing Ordinance No. 1461-04 and Amending SWMC Title 15.40 for a Period of Six Additional Months, Delegating to the City Engineer the Authority to Establish Standards and Requirements for All Public Works, Including Street, Sidewalks, and Utilities and Authorizing the City Engineer to Approve Designs for Public Works. Councilmember Meamber seconded.

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

OLD BUSINESS

Janicki Annexation

Mayor Dillon reviewed the request of Councilmembers to set a public hearing for reconsideration of the Stanislaw Annexation request. She noted that the appropriate advertising, notification and other requirements necessary for the public hearing to reconsider the annexation request will be followed.

Mike Riddle – 504 Central, stated that he appreciates the path to reconsider the annexation. He noted his surprise and concern when it did not pass the first time and offered his support in seeing that it passes the next time through.

Todd Olson – 821 Talcott St., noted his support for the annexation and believes it to be good for the City.

Tim Howland – 26203 Minkler, not a resident of the City but a business owner within the City addressed the Council with his support for the annexation. He noted the benefits of the expansion of Janicki Industries for the City which includes an increased tax base, increased tax revenue and sales tax from area businesses. Howland suggested if the annexation does not happen, the City remove the area from the Urban Growth Area to allow property owners to be able to move forward. He also questioned the vision for the City with respect for commercial and industrial growth.

Larry Stiles – 1227 Independence Blvd., addressed the Council in opposition of the annexation. He reminded the Council that part of their function is to manage the business and growth aspects of the City and believe the annexation and zoning to be a package deal to allow Janicki Industries to expand.

Judy Carlson – 898 Carriage Ct., concurred with Stiles comments. She also noted she does not agree with the current codes.

Don Wick – 204 Montgomery, representing EDASC, addressed the Council noting that these are not easy decisions. He stated his organization supported the reconsideration of the annexation and addressed the tax base and jobs for the people of Skagit County. He also spoke of the contributions by the company and family that has benefited the residents and believes that workers will live here in the great community that is available.

Kathy O-Hanlon –710 Ball St., noted she is new to the community and that it is a desirable community to live in. She expressed her support to the people that have to live next to the industry.

Robert Mataya – 1226 Independence Blvd., questioned the reconsideration of the topic and stated he is opposed to any annexation and zoning changes.

Brad Bodin – 1012 Alexander, supports the annexation. Bodin stated there needs to be commercial development and going to the east is the way to go. He encouraged Council to set the public hearing for July 14.

Rob Janicki – Stated that the position of Janicki Industries is neutral and they proceeded for the benefit of the City with the annexation. Janicki noted that zoning regulations should be covered under a separate issue and noted from a zoning standpoint Janicki Industries are better off in the County. He briefly reviewed part of their next expansion plans which include noise reduction measures and they are already working with Carriage Estates on several issues.

Mike Janicki – 810 Talcott St., reviewed the history of the placement of Carriage Estates and approval through the County next to a heavy steel fabrication shop. He believes a master plan for industry should be created for the City. Janicki reviewed the history of the industrial site and apologized to the Council for not being available for the last vote and requested the opportunity to have the annexation reconsidered with their representation.

Councilmember Storrs moved to set a public hearing for July 14, 2004 at 7:00 P.M. to rehear the annexation proposal for the east end of Sedro-Woolley. Seconded by Councilmember Splane. Motion carried.

NEW BUSINESS

None

COMMITTEE REPORTS AND REPORTS FROM OFFICERS

Councilmember Storrs – noted the condition of W. Talcott Street and questioned the possibility of road repair for that area.

Engineer Blair stated that there are some solutions in the works which will include neighborhood involvement.

Councilmember Meamber – questioned the projected date for widening Hwy 20 at the trestle.

Councilmember Lemley – asked if the scooter ordinance includes the mini-motorcycles that are starting to appear.

Councilmember Anderson – reminded everyone of the time limit for fireworks. July 4th only from 9 am to 11 pm.

Engineer Blair – updated the Council on the sewer for the Metcalf and Township trunk line upgrade. He noted he has received preliminary estimates for scope to design. The project has been divided into 5 stages, which total almost three miles of sewer. The design quote for all five stages is in the neighborhood of \$200,000.00, with the construction roughly estimated in the neighborhood of 2 million.

Fire Chief Klinger – noted the 4th of July is fast approaching and the weather has been very dry. Fireworks are only legal on July 4th during the hours of 9 A.M. to 11 P.M. Anything purchased out of town needs to stay out of town.

Mayor Dillon – encouraged everyone to participate in the festivities over the 4th.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

The meeting was adjourned to executive session at 7:45 P.M. for the purpose of land acquisition with a possible decision.

The meeting reconvened at 8: 04 P.M.

Councilmember Meamber moved to adjourn at 8:04 P.M. Seconded by Councilmember Galbraith. Motion carried.

The meeting adjourned at 8:05 P.M.