
CITY OF SEDRO-WOOLLEY

Regular Meeting of the City Council
June 22, 2005 – 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, Colgan, Galbraith, Lemley and Anderson. Staff: City Attorney Hayden, Clerk/Treasurer Nelson, Planner Lahr, Engineer Blair, Police Chief Wood and Fire Chief Klinger.

Consent Calendar

- Minutes from Previous Meeting
- Finance
 - Claim Vouchers #54697 to #54821 for \$487,901.92
 - Payroll Warrants #35838 to #35934 for \$132,344.77
- Public Safety Guild Bargaining Agreement
- Award of Bid/Contract – Ferry Street Sewer Improvements – Interwest Construction

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

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Councilmember Meamber requested the meeting be adjourned to Executive Session for the purpose of discussion of litigation for approximately 20 minutes.

Mayor Dillon adjourned the meeting to Executive Session at 7:02 P.M.

The meeting reconvened at 7:27 P.M.

Items from the Audience

Louis Requa – Skagit Surveyors & Engineers, 806 Metcalf St., addressed the Council regarding an amendment on short plats and requested Council reconsider the tie vote and bring the topic back for discussion. Requa pleaded for a positive vote on the amendment.

Dave Rohrer – representing Valley Baptist Church, 404 Rohrer Loop, addressed the Council in support of Requa's request to the Council.

Brett Hanson – Preview Properties, 1615 Buck Way, Mount Vernon, addressed the Council on behalf of the Calavan’s of 1116 State St. and requested a decision from Council so they would know how to proceed with the sale of their home and purchase of a subsequent home.

Brock Stiles – 8079 Avery Ln, representing Bethlehem Lutheran Church requested Council reconsider the vote of two weeks ago that ended in a tie in order to be able to present to the church congregation all options available.

Shannon Calavan – 1116 State St., addressed the Council regarding the outcome of the recent vote and the effect it has had on themselves and other families. She encouraged Council to reconsider their vote.

PUBLIC HEARINGS

2005 Budget Amendment

Clerk/Treasurer Nelson noted the City has been awarded a Public Works Trust Fund Preconstruction loan for the sewer collection system. She stated part of the requirements are that the City establish a separate fund to deposit and disburse funds from. The request before Council is to amend the budget for the full amount of the project. She stated the Public Works Trust Fund loan proceeds are \$706,500 with a city match of \$78,500. The monies will be spent on preconstruction, such as engineering for Township, Metcalf and SR 20 sewer lines. Nelson noted the city match is proposed to come from the accumulative reserve sewer fund which is the fund that connection fees are deposited into.

Mayor Dillon opened the public hearing at 7:35 P.M.

Mayor Dillon closed the public hearing at 7:36 P.M.

Councilmember Meamber moved to adopt Ordinance No. 1509-05 An Ordinance Amending Ordinance No. 1490-04, “An Ordinance Adopting the Annual Budget for the City of Sedro-Woolley, Washington, for the Fiscal Year Ending December 31, 2005.” Councilmember Galbraith seconded.

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

OLD BUSINESS

None

NEW BUSINESS

Willow Way Final Plat

Planner Lahr reviewed background information on the preliminary plat application from Ron Kennedy to subdivide 1.20 acres into five (5) residential lots located at 850 Cook Road. She noted there is one existing home on the property and the applicant received approval to develop three duplex lots with two lots reserved for single family for a total of up to eight (8) residential lots. The City Council held a public meeting on the application on January 26, 2005 and approved the preliminary plat based on the Planning Commission recommendation voted to grant preliminary approval. The conditions of approval included a dedication of twenty (20) feet of right-of-way on Cook Road, installation of sidewalks, and closing an existing driveway on Cook Road.

Lahr stated staff recommends approval of Willow Way Final Plat Application No. 2576, subject to conditions in the staff report, MDNS, and associated studies by ordinance.

Councilmember Storrs moved to approve Ordinance No. 1510-05 An Ordinance of the City of Sedro-Woolley Granting Final Plat Approval of the Plat of Willow Way, Application No. 2576. Seconded by Councilmember Splane.

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

COMMITTEE REPORTS AND REPORTS FROM OFFICERS

Planner Lahr – reminded Council of the upcoming open house on June 29, 2005 at 6:30 P.M. with the Planning Commission to review the draft GMA Updates and Development Regulation. She noted the biggest item on the table is the Critical Areas Ordinance and the consultant from ATSI, Jim Wiggins, will be in attendance. Lahr announced that this is her final Council meeting and thanked the Mayor and Council for the opportunity to serve the City of Sedro-Woolley.

Engineer Blair – stated the Garden of Eden sewer is scheduled to be substantially completed by the end of the month. Because of a delay in the installation of a power pole, testing of the pump station will also be delayed.

Fire Chief Klinger – announced the upcoming Firefighters Challenge to be held at Sedro-Woolley High School on Saturday, June 25, 2005. He also promoted the Firefighters scholarship fundraiser which is the hamburger stand located at the Carnival during Loggerodeo.

Police Chief Wood – stated his department is diligently preparing for the 4th of July.

Councilmember Lemley – thanked the Street Department for the repairs to Talcott Street.

Councilmember Colgan – noted the Building Committee is looking at some of the buildings that will be needing renovation.

Councilmember Storrs – announced the town is looking good.

Councilmember Splane – stated the Tolley needs some further study of necessary repairs.

Councilmember Meamber – thanked the responsible party for removing the “Fish Lady” sign at SR 20 and Ferry Street.

Mayor Dillon – announced the upcoming worksession on July 5th. She also reminded everyone that fireworks are allowed only on July 4th within City limits. The Mayor also thanked Lacy Lahr for all that she has done for the City, staff and Council. She commended her for rising to the occasion to pull the comp plan amendments together in a short time and will be greatly missed. She also announced the dedication of Hammer Heritage Square to be held on July 3, 2005 at 1:00 P.M.

Councilmember Meamber – announced the arrival of the Viet Nam Memorial Wall on June 30th.

Clerk/Treasurer Nelson – announced the Council Agenda and packet information is now available on the City Website.

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

The meeting adjourned at 7:51 P.M.