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CITY OF SEDRO-WOOLLEY  
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Regular Meeting of the City Council  
October 26, 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 Sharon Dillon, Councilmembers: Ted Meamber, Tony Splane, Tom Storrs, Pat Colgan, Hugh Galbraith, Rick Lemley and Mike Anderson.  
Staff: Clerk/Treasurer Nelson, Planner Rozema, Attorney Hayden, Engineer Blair and Fire Chief Klinger.

Consent Calendar

- Minutes from Previous Meeting
- Finance
  - Claim Vouchers #55644 to #55768 for \$311,477.37
  - Payroll Warrants #36618 to #36709 for \$136,206.45

Councilmember Storrs moved to approve the consent calendar Items A and B. Seconded by Councilmember Meamber. Motion carried.

Public Comment

Les Williams – 1085 Wedmore Pl., stated he was practicing.

**PUBLIC HEARINGS**

None

**OLD BUSINESS**

Transportation Capital Facilities Plan and Impact Fee (*Discussion Only*)

Attorney Hayden opened the discussion for the Transportation Capital Facilities Plan and Impact Fee. Hayden noted that the discussion will help staff in preparation of the appropriate ordinances. Hayden reviewed the three funding mechanisms for road projects and stated “there’s no such thing as a free road”.

He also reviewed the requirements and laws governing impact fees and credits.

Hayden discussed the Transpo report and the proposed project list and traffic impact fees as well as the importance and role of the list.

Engineer Blair reviewed the importance of the projects listed. He noted that traffic will be here and discussed the modeling of the traffic and the importance of an arterial loop to alleviate traffic from Highway 20.

Some discussion was held regarding the lack of funds for grant matches which then makes it hard for the City to compete in grant pools.

Planner Rozema reviewed the administrative side of projects. He also noted that implementation of the proposed impact fees may cause the growth to slow.

Council discussion ensued to include representation of present and future residents, slowing of growth, purpose of impact fees so that existing residents do not pay for growth, concern of having the highest impact fees, room to play with figures on Transpo study, stepping up fees over a period of time, need to follow the comprehensive plan set forth and the role of the WSDOT for Highway 20 improvements.

Mayor Dillon noted this topic will be brought back to Council at a future Council meeting to include several options and recommendations. A public hearing will also be scheduled.

## **NEW BUSINESS**

### Potential Annexation – Notice of Intent (*Initial Decision*)

The Notice of Intent was tabled due to lack of attendance from the applicant, as well as to give staff time to clarify the applicant's intent.

## **REPORTS FROM OFFICERS AND COMMITTEES**

Councilmember Meamber – questioned the status of the golf course. He also commented on the nice progress of the road resurfacing projects.

Planner Rozema – noted that there have been numerous inquiries to reflect a possible sale of the golf course but nothing has been finalized.

Councilmember Galbraith – noted he has received several phone calls of concern regarding obnoxious smells coming from the Janiciki Industry site. He noted he has also received numerous calls regarding the recycling fee statements recently received which were a concern to the people in the newly annexed area. Some of their concern was if it was a mandatory fee and why they have to pay for it if they are not utilizing the service.

Mayor Dillon – noted that Councilmember Anderson's appointment to the EMS Council is due to expire. Councilmember Anderson noted he has been having difficulty attending. Councilmember Colgan agreed to be the representative but noted he may not be able to make every meeting.

Councilmember Storrs – noted brush overgrown in the area of Rita Street by the mill. Area residents have expressed concern of questionable activities going on within the brush and requested the brush be cut down.

Engineer Blair – reviewed the remaining paving schedule for Ferry Street.

Fire Chief Klinger – announced the upcoming Boots to Burn dance and auction and the last chance for tickets for anyone wishing to purchase one. The proceeds will be donated to the Northwest Burn Foundation and Burn Children’s Recovery Foundation. Chief Klinger also noted a complaint received regarding the smell at Janicki’s. He has been in contact with Janicki representatives and they were looking into the situation. Chief Klinger introduced firefighter Mike Ellis. Ellis is the newest member of the department and had joined the department earlier this year.

### **EXECUTIVE SESSION**

The meeting adjourned to executive session at 8:19 P.M. for the purpose of discussion of litigation and land acquisition with a possible decision made for a period of approximately 30 minutes.

The meeting reconvened at 8:40 P.M.

Councilmember Meamber requested Council entertain an increase of their monthly stipend from \$300 to \$500 per month.

Mayor Dillon noted that only the persons who are up for re-election would be affected.

Discussion ensued regarding the potential increase. Councilmember Anderson stated he was satisfied with the current pay but would be interested in exploring insurance coverage through the City. Councilmember Galbraith supported the increase with Councilmembers Colgan, Splane and Storrs supporting an increase from \$300 to \$400.

Mayor Dillon briefly reviewed a proposal to be brought before the Council during the Budget process for increases for the exempt staff, which would also include increases for the Police Lt., Police Chief and Asst. Fire Chief. The latter three positions would be to bring the position pay in line with recent contract negotiations. The Councilmember proposal will also be brought back at the next meeting.

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

The meeting adjourned at 8:50 P.M.