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CITY OF SEDRO-WOOLLEY  
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Regular Meeting of the City Council  
July 26, 2006 – 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, Councilmember's: Ted Member, Tony Splane, Louie Requa, Pat Colgan, Hugh Galbraith, Rick Lemley and Mike Anderson.  
Staff Present: Clerk/Treasurer Nelson, Attorney Berg, Planner Rozema, Engineer Blair, Police Chief Wood and Fire Chief Klinger.

Mayor Dillon announced the addition of Item L Request for Purchase – Public Lands to the Consent Calendar.

Consent Calendar

- Minutes from Previous Meeting
  - Claim Vouchers #57850 to #57967 for \$221,143.47 (Except #57885, #57934, #57940 & #57966 for \$9,990.10 – see item 3K)
  - Payroll Warrants #38280 to #38379 for \$163,695.64
- Waiver of Fees – Riverfront Park – SW Best Self – August 9, 2006
- Waiver of Fees – Riverfront Park – SW Rotary – August 31, 2006
- Waiver of Fees – Hammer Heritage Square – SW Chamber – August 24, 2006
- Interlocal Agreement – Joint Purchasing with Tacoma
- Interlocal Agreement – 2006 EMS Disposal Supply
- Interlocal Agreement with Skagit County for Library Services
- Professional Services Agreement – Labor Consultant
- Setting Public Hearing – Reenactment of Interim Zoning Control Ordinance
- Valley Baptist Church Right-of-Way
- Request for Purchase – Public Lands

Councilmember Galbraith moved to approve the consent calendar Items A through L .  
Seconded by Councilmember Colgan.

Councilmember Splane questioned Item L with regards to an equipment trade in.

Councilmember Requa noted that he will abstain from voting on Items C & D due to a conflict of interest.

Mayor Dillon restated the motion. Motion carried. (Councilmember Requa abstained from items C & D).

## Presentation – Department of Ecology Award – Sewer Department

Mayor Dillon introduced Dave Nunnely from the Department of Ecology who presented the staff of the Wastewater Treatment Plant with a perfect compliance award. Nunnely read a letter commending the performance of the staff in protecting water quality in the Skagit River and meeting the requirements of the Wastewater Discharge Permit. He presented the Mayor with a plaque honoring the excellent performance of the staff.

Mayor Dillon thanked the staff for their dedication and had each staff member give a brief introduction of them. Staff members present were Bob Blakely, Ralph Kennedy, Dave Schorno, Steve Huizinga and Debbie Allen. Allen also thanked the crew and spoke the passion they all had for their jobs and stated they were proud to be making clean water for a better tomorrow.

Councilmember Requa recalled an event of the staff opening the stormwater sewer system late at night in order to prevent problems. He noted that it not only is the sewer department but involves all departments.

## Public Comment

Phillip Murray – 223 State St., addressed the Council regarding the Old Timers Bar sweeping cigarette butts onto his property. Murray also showed some pictures that he had taken to enlighten Council of the problem. He requested something be done.

Discussion ensued to encourage businesses to sweep their storefronts and picking them up and maintenance of smoking receptacles in front of businesses.

Julian Pavisi – 519 Sapp Rd., expressed safety concerns of a fence project that borders his property. He noted the address of the fence installers are 721 N. Reed. He thanked several members of the City staff for the time they have spent on this concern already and addressed the driveway setbacks and expressed concern for fence placement within right-of-way zones.

## **PUBLIC HEARINGS**

### Agreement – Hanson Development

Councilmembers Requa and Anderson disclosed that the Hanson's are clients of their respective businesses and stepped down from the Council bench due to the appearance of fairness.

Attorney Berg noted that the proposed agreement only addresses financial issues and does not address any underlying land use issues.

Mayor Dillon opened the public hearing at 7:22 P.M.

Mayor Dillon closed the public hearing at 7:23 P.M.

Councilmember Meamber moved to sign the development agreement with the Hanson's. Seconded by Councilmember Splane. Motion carried 5-0 (Councilmembers Anderson and Requa requested from vote).

Councilmember Anderson rejoined the Council bench. Councilmember Requa remained recused from the next agenda item due to a conflict of interest.

#### Agreement – Joy Development

Attorney Berg stated the Joy's have requested postponement of the item to allow them additional review time to the agreement. Berg noted that the agreement fits with their intentions but requested additional time for a review of the documents.

Mayor Dillon opened the public hearing at 7:25 P.M.

Councilmember Meamber moved to continue the hearing to the next regular Council meeting. Councilmember Galbraith seconded. Motion carried 6-0 (Councilmember Requa requested from vote).

#### **UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

Councilmember Requa rejoined the Council bench.

#### Interlocal Agreement with Skagit County & Cities for administering SHB Funds

Bill Hinkle – Community Services Director of Skagit County Community Action, 330 Pacific Pl., Mount Vernon, addressed the Council as a result of their request for additional information regarding the proposed Interlocal Agreement. Hinkle presented background information on Community Action and legislative bills that have been passed and effect the County for the homeless effort within the County. Hinkle presented statistical information on the number of Sedro-Woolley residents that received assistance.

Housing Subsidy: 18 of 43

Emergency Housing: 30 of 138

Dental Van: 53

Critical Needs: 772

The proposed interlocal agreement would indicate Sedro-Woolley's agreement with the programs and funding. Hinkle explained the process in which the funding decisions were made. Hinkle noted that he believes it will be a benefit to the residents of Sedro-Woolley. He then answered numerous questions from the Council with a lengthy discussion.

Councilmember Colgan moved to enter into an interlocal cooperative agreement between Skagit County, the cities of Anacortes, Burlington, Mount Vernon and Sedro-Woolley, and the Towns of Concrete, Hamilton, LaConner and Lyman for the purpose of administrating surcharge funds created as a result of SHB 2163. Seconded by Councilmember Meamber. Motion carried.

## **NEW BUSINESS**

None

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

Councilmember Requa – questioned the ownership of a canopy located near Market Place by the railroad tracks. Requa noted that items were starting to disappear from underneath.

Councilmember Splane – questioned the status of the request from Jim Robinson regarding 4-wheel riding.

Mayor Dillon noted that Mr. Robinson needs to put in a formal request in order for Council to proceed.

Councilmember Meamber – reported on the success of the Outdoor Movies that were being held Friday evenings during the month of July.

Clerk/Treasurer Nelson – noted the proposed budget calendar in the back of the Council packets.

Fire Chief Klinger – announced the 3<sup>rd</sup> place finish of the Fire Department extrication team in a recent competition held in Dallas, Oregon.

Police Chief Wood – announced the retirement of Police Reserve Officer, Gene Ashe. Wood noted that he served 27 years as a reserve officer and spoke on the reserve program. He stated Skagit Valley College now has a program for a reserve academy which may help to fill the void in the program. Wood also announced the vacation of items in the museum building to the new facility.

The meeting adjourned to executive session for litigation, personnel and land acquisition at 8:00 P.M. for approximately a one hour session with no decision anticipated.

The meeting reconvened at 9:14 P.M.

Councilmember Splane moved to adjourn. Councilmember Meamber seconded. Motion carried.

The meeting adjourned at 9:14 P.M.