
CITY OF SEDRO-WOOLLEY

Regular Meeting of the City Council
October 10, 2007 – 7:00 P.M. – Community Center

The Meeting was called to order at 7:00 P.M.

Pledge of Allegiance

ROLL CALL: Mayor Mike Anderson, Councilmembers: Ted Meamber, Tony Splane, Louis Requa, Pat Colgan, Hugh Galbraith, Rick Lemley and Dennis London. Staff: Clerk/Treasurer Nelson, Attorney/Supervisor Berg, Police Chief Wood and Fire Chief Klinger.

Mayor Anderson announced the addition of items to the agenda under New Business. The added items are the Holtcamp Easement Agreement and Stormwater Implementation Grant.

Consent Calendar

- Minutes from Previous Meeting
- Finance
 - Claim Vouchers #61550 to #61663 for \$700,027.73 (Voided Warrant #61551)
 - Payroll Warrants #41101 to #41201 for \$209,855.31
- Contract – EDASC Services for 2008
- Professional Services Contract – Mark Christ for on-call architectural & design services
- Interlocal Agreement – City of Sedro-Woolley and EMS for Basic Life Support (BLS) Automatic Mutual Aid
- Contract – Cascade Job Corps for placement of work-based training students with City

Councilmember London moved to approve the consent calendar excluding Item D – Professional Services Contract – Mark Christ. Seconded by Councilmember Colgan. Motion carried (7-0).

Councilmember London questioned the relationship of Item D to the records storage item under New Business.

Attorney/Supervisor Berg noted that the goal is to have an on-call consulting agreement to call upon for services through task orders for hourly services.

Discussion ensued as to financial impact of contract and the Bingham Park building.

Councilmember London moved to approve a contract between the City and Mark Christ for architectural and design services on an on-call basis. Seconded by Councilmember Galbraith. Motion carried (7-0).

Mayor Anderson reported to Council on a letter received by David Bricka of the Chamber of Commerce requesting to close Metcalf Street from Warner Street to Ferry Street for the annual Halloween Parade on October 31, 2007.

Councilmember Lemley moved to close Metcalf Street on October 31, 2007 from 4:15 – 4:45 P.M. Councilmember Meamber seconded. Motion carried (7-0).

Public Comment

Kirk Tolefson – KAPS Radio, thanked Police Chief Wood for his quick response to a phone inquire regarding the recent lock down of the High School. He also questioned where the responsibility lies for cleaning log jams in the Skagit River.

Mayor Anderson noted The log jam was a topic at a meeting he attended. He noted the reason it has not been done is because the water flow of the river has to get up to a certain level before they allow someone to break up the jams.

PUBLIC HEARING

Ordinance – 2008 Property Tax Levy (1st Reading)

Clerk/Treasurer Nelson reviewed the information for the 2008 Property Tax Ordinance. She reviewed both the voter approved bond tax revenues and the general property tax revenues.

Mayor Anderson opened the public hearing at 7:15 P.M.

No testimony was given.

The public hearing was continued to the October 24, 2007 meeting.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

City Hall Update

Attorney/Supervisor Berg reviewed late materials regarding MPR 25 (generator issue). He reviewed three options and noted his recommendation for option 3 with discussion following.

Councilmember Requa moved to reject MPR 25 and do a change order to address switching for a future generator that would power the whole addition of City Hall. Seconded by Councilmember Colgan. Motion carried (7-0).

F&S Grade Road/Highway 20 Update

Attorney/Supervisor Berg updated the Council regarding the receipt of a letter from Mark Nysether which pledges the necessary right-of-way to construct the second round-a-bout. Berg noted both Rimmer and Nysether are on board with the concept. The letter for a request for the delay to the CERB board will go out this week.

Proposed Ordinance Amendment for R-15 Zoning (2nd Reading) Modifying the required side setback requirements in the R-15 Zoning district.

Councilmember Requa recused himself due to a conflict of interest and left the Council bench.

Attorney/Supervisor Berg noted this is the second reading of the proposed ordinance. Berg clarified ownership of common walls.

Dave McLaughlin – Skagit Surveyors & Engineers, addressed the Council regarding the need for CC&R's and maintenance agreements with the type of change being discussed. McLaughlin addressed the benefit of pride of ownership and the advantage to the requested change.

Councilmember Galbraith moved to approve the proposed changes to Municipal Code Chapter 17.16 Modifying the required side setback requirements in the R-15 zoning district with exhibit B. Councilmember Colgan seconded. Motion carried (7-0).

Councilmember Requa returned to the Council bench.

NEW BUSINESS

Contract – Leadsonline Services for remainder of 2007 and 2008

Police Chief Wood reviewed the state and City requirement for pawn shops to record transactions. He noted the tracking is labor intensive to catalogue, track and check for stolen property for his department. The proposed contract would allow a computer data base with access to the records and would be a great benefit to the detectives and officers from other departments to search for stolen property. He also noted the program tracks for a three state area.

Councilmember Colgan moved to authorize the Mayor to sign a contract for services for the remainder of 2007 and 2008. Seconded by Councilmember Requa. Motion carried (7-0).

Evidence facility/off-site records storage project approval (design and specifications)

Attorney/Supervisor Berg reviewed the need for an evidence facility/off-site records storage. Berg reviewed a proposal to use Waldron Street right-of-way to construct a

40X60 structure. Berg noted that both adjoining property owners are in agreement regarding the property rights and the location is ideal. The property would require no money to acquire.

Discussion ensued to include building type, inter-fund loan, and the land vacation process for adjoining property owners.

Councilmember Colgan moved to approve the plans of building the off-site record storage on Waldron to a final design approval of the City Council with project budget of \$100,000.00. Seconded by Councilmember Requa. Motion carried (7-0).

Holtcamp Easement Agreement – (added)

Councilmember Requa recused himself due to a conflict of interest and left the Council bench.

Attorney/Supervisor Berg reviewed the reason for Councilmember Requa to recuse himself. He then reviewed project background and the need for the easement with the Highway 20 Sewer project. Berg also reviewed two other easements one from the hospital and the other also with the Holtcamp property which after research belongs to Dike District 12.

Councilmember Meamber moved to approve an easement for sewer lines between Holtcamp Properties LLC and the City of Sedro-Woolley and authorize the payment of \$15,000 to Holtcamp's. Councilmember Splane seconded. Motion carried (7-0).

Mayor Anderson thanked Attorney Berg for his work on getting the easements.

Councilmember Requa rejoined the Council bench.

Stormwater Implementation Grant

Attorney/Supervisor Berg reviewed the 2008 application for a Stormwater Management Implementation Grant. Berg noted that the grant is in response to the Governor's budget request for the current biennium. If successful in receiving the grant it would allow use of the Swedelius property to build a regional detention facility. The request is for \$650,000 in grant funds. The grant would allow design and permitting.

Councilmember Galbraith moved to submit the grant application to Olympia. Seconded by Councilmember Colgan. Motion carried (7-0).

COMMITTEE REPORTS AND REPORTS FROM OFFICERS

Councilmember London – commented on the use of the Community Center and encouraged the gas range be reinstalled to replace the two conventional stoves currently in the building.

Attorney/Supervisor Berg – pointed out the McGargile sewer capacity analysis in the Council packets. He also updated Council on a recent meeting regarding the McGargile road improvements.

Councilmember Splane – noted he is trying to put together a field trip to view large trucks and lowboys maneuver around one of the round-a-bout's in the area.

Fire Chief Klinger – announced the upcoming Burn the Boot event. Tickets are available.

Police Chief Wood – noted the completion of emergency vehicle driving course for the officers. He also invited interested Councilmember's to attend their upcoming department meeting. Wood informed Council on a recent incident regarding the lock down of the State Street High School and a debriefing meeting held with the school officials.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

The meeting adjourned to executive session at 8:25 P.M. for the purpose of personnel with no decision anticipated.

The meeting reconvened at 8:55 P.M.

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

The meeting adjourned at 8:56 P.M.