
CITY OF SEDRO-WOOLLEY

Work Session of the City Council
April 1, 2008 – 7:00 P.M. – City Hall Council Chambers

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

ROLL CALL: Present: Mayor Mike Anderson, Councilmembers Ted Meamber, Tony Splane, Pat Colgan, and Dennis London. Staff: Finance Director Nelson, Sewer Department Personnel: Debbie Allen, Steve Huizinga, Rob MacReady, Stu Earnst and Dave Schorno.

Fats, Oils & Grease

- The Sewer Department staff presented an informational and educational program on Fats, Oils & Grease. They presented a power point display of fats, oils and grease within the collection system, lift stations and at the Treatment plant. Fats, oils and grease are responsible for the majority of odors. They reviewed steps taken since the May 23, 2007 ordinance passed and the results of the 2007 Industrial Survey. Improvements in lift station cleaning techniques and disposal were also discussed. Oil captured before the sewer line is reusable (i.e. biodiesel) however is contaminated and unusable after entering the sewer line. Future department plans are to meet with fat, oil and grease producers, provide education and conduct inspections.

Staff requested direction from the Council on enforcement for people who refuse to cooperate. The general consensus of the Council present was to use a progressive enforcement policy and to enforce the current ordinance. The Waste Water Treatment Plant is working on efficiency and streamlining in order to use time saved to meet with fat, oil and grease producers. They will keep Council informed of their progress.

Councilmember London moved to adjourn. Seconded by Councilmember Splane.
Motion carried (4-0).

The Meeting adjourned at 8:10 P.M.