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CITY OF SEDRO-WOOLLEY  
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Regular Meeting of the City Council  
March 14, 2012 – 7:00 P.M. –City Hall Council Chambers

ROLL CALL: Present: Mayor Mike Anderson, Councilmembers: Kevin Loy, Tony Splane, Tom Storrs, Keith Wagoner, Rick Lemley and Brett Sandström. Staff: Recorder Brue, City Supervisor/Attorney Berg, Engineer Freiburger, Fire Chief Klinger and Police Chief Wood.

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

Pledge of Allegiance

Consent Calendar

- Minutes from Previous Meeting (Including February 22, 2012 Special Meeting and March 7, 2012 Worksession)
- Finance
  - Claim Checks #73924 to #74052 in the amount of \$239,996.71 (Voided Check #74034).
  - Payroll Checks #52503 to #52609 in the amount of \$259,665.63.
- Trojan Technologies UV Replacement Order (*deleted*)
- Professional Services Agreement No. 2012-PS-10 through 12 for Miscellaneous On-Call Professional Services
- Possible Bid Award – Public Works Agreement Nos. 2012-PW-15 2012-2013 Annual Portable Fire Extinguisher and Kitchen Hood Service and Inspection
- Appointment of Reta Stephenson to the Sedro-Woolley Housing Authority
- Appointment of Joe Franett and Jennifer Eldred to the Sedro-Woolley Planning Commission

Mayor Anderson announced the deletion of Consent Calendar Item C – Trojan Technologies UV Replacement Order.

Councilmember Storrs moved to approve the consent agenda Items A through G with the exception of Item C. Seconded by Councilmember Splane. Motion carried (6-0).

Special Presentation – Lions Club 75<sup>th</sup> Anniversary – Lynn Torset

Lynn Torset of the Sedro-Woolley Lions Club addressed the Council regarding the Lions Club 75<sup>th</sup> Anniversary. He noted the club held its first meeting in March, 1937. Torset reviewed the history of the club formation, the mission of the Lions Club and detailed some of the many community activities they have provided throughout the years. Some of the activities and donations include purchasing of glasses, hearing aids, white canes and brail writers for those in need. They have held fundraisers to help with expenses for persons enabling their sight to be restored. Some of their members have been

representatives on the Sedro-Woolley Park Board and Loggerodeo Committee and the Club is in charge of the annual 4<sup>th</sup> of July Parade. They collect old glasses for donation to third world countries and have participated in the annual White Cane Days and the eye bank. They have painted the Memorial Park and Bingham Park building several times throughout the years, provided the Community Center landscaping, built the Hammer Heritage Square Gazebo, provided signage for Harry Osborne Park and made monetary donations to State Street High School, Sedro-Woolley Library, Sedro-Woolley Museum and Helping Hands Food Bank. In 1976 they started a scholarship program and have participated in the organization of Sedro-Woolley Playfield Association (now known as Janicki Fields) and are looking forward to working with the Sedro Woolley Rotary on the upcoming Skate Park Project. The list was only a sampling of the projects they have done during their 75 years.

Mayor Anderson thanked the Sedro-Woolley Lions Club for their presence and many projects and the good they have provide for the community. He wished them many more successful years. A round of applause was given by those in attendance.

#### Public Comment

No comment received.

### **NEW BUSINESS**

#### Today in America Funding Request

City Supervisor/Attorney Berg presented background information regarding the potential for a narrated paid programming called “Today in America –Hidden Gems of America, Great Places to Live, Work and Play”. He noted the cost is around \$26,000. Berg discussed the process, coverage and ownership of the program. He noted the Chamber is very interested in partnering in order to proceed.

Pola Kelley of the Chamber of Commerce addressed the Council and presented information on the potential of the programming as a marketing piece to help grow Sedro-Woolley as well as to be able to attract tourists. She discussed development of a marketing plan using the footage as a centerpiece. She discussed potential joint funding from other sources including the Port of Skagit County and Skagit County and a breakdown of the cost.

Elizabeth Fernando, Chamber President discussed the footage as a critical piece, important to any campaign and believes it could be a milestone on a path to rebuilding the town. She discussed it as an investment in the City and spoke on the opportunity to purchase additional commercials.

City Supervisor/Attorney Berg addressed possible funding sources from the City Budget in an amount of up to \$5,000.

Council discussion ensued regarding the flower basket program which will be funded by service groups, merchants and private donations, the opportunity to spruce up the town for the production, other proposed uses for the funds within the City budget, need for demographics for targeted audiences, being 1 of 5 locations under consideration for the programming and development of a community marketing plan.

Councilmember Sandström moved to authorize the City Supervisor to sign an agreement with the Chamber to provide up to \$5000, contingent on financing from sources. Seconded by Councilmember Splane. Motion carried (6-0).

#### Ordinance – 2012 Budget Amendment

City Supervisor/Attorney Berg reviewed the proposed 2012 Budget Amendment #1. He noted it adjusts the actual beginning cash to the actual 2011 ending cash and adjusts for the reduction in furlough days. Other changes are housekeeping in nature.

Councilmember Storrs moved to approve Ordinance #1735-12 An Ordinance Amending Ordinance #1723-11 Adopting the Annual Budget for the City of Sedro-Woolley, Washington for the Fiscal Year Ending December 31, 2012. Councilmember Wagoner seconded. Motion carried (6-0).

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

Police Chief Wood – reported on the hiring of a provisional employee Rhonda Lasley who is a 17 year veteran of Skagit County.

Engineer Freiburger – reported that the HAWK signal was turned on earlier in the day and it seems to be working well. He also reported the Eagle Scout project of Alex Ruby that has been completed. Freiburger noted that additional funds have become available for the Safe Routes to Schools program of which we were a contingency project. We could see funding for the original project however, the TIB funds have been returned and we would need to reapply for those funds to complete the project. We will also be able to apply for an additional project through the Safe Routes program. He also addressed a possible grant through Department of Ecology for construction of a model compost facility at the Solid Waste site with some discussion following. Freiburger reported that advertisements for statement of qualifications for consultants for the design work for the Cook Road Realignment project have been published.

City Supervisor/Attorney Berg – reported on an increase in damage to the Hammer Heritage Square Gazebo. He showed a prototype of a railing for the exterior rail pieces with a quote of approximately \$3000.

Lynn Torset – addressed the Gazebo placement directly on the cement and thought the prototype to be a reasonable solution.

Discussion ensued regarding potential scratching, rhino-lining, video camera placement, proposed material strength and aesthetics.

Councilmember Storrs moved to proceed to repair with metal at Hammer Heritage Square. Seconded by Councilmember Splane. Motion carried (6-0).

Berg also briefly spoke on impact fees and pointed out a 10 year chart showing both sales and property taxes. He noted this is for information only and is located in the Council packet.

### **EXECUTIVE SESSION**

The meeting adjourned to executive session at 8:35 P.M. for the purpose of Real Estate under RCW 42.30.110(b) and Enforcement Action under RCW 42.30.110(i) with possible action for approximately 30 minutes.

The meeting reconvened at 9:32 P.M.

Councilmember Wagoner moved to authorized the Mayor to enter into a real estate purchase and sales agreement with earnest money provisions with Elvin Ray Houser. Seconded by Councilmember Storrs. Motion carried (5-1, Councilmember Loy opposed).

The meeting adjourned at 9:35 P.M.