
CITY OF SEDRO-WOOLLEY

Council Worksession

April 4, 2012 – 7:00 P.M. – Public Safety Training Room

The worksession was called to order at 7:00 P.M. by Mayor Mike Anderson.

ROLL CALL: Present: Mayor Mike Anderson, Councilmembers: Kevin Loy, Tony Splane, Keith Wagoner, Hugh Galbraith, Rick Lemley and Brett Sandström
Staff: City Supervisor/Attorney Berg, Finance Director Nelson and Public Works Director Freiburger

Flag Salute

Port of Skagit County

- Port Commissioner Bill Shuler, Executive Director Patsy Martin and Communications Manager Carl Molesworth presented and discussed the Port's role, responsibilities, history, services provided, tax structure, airport, marina start-up company and their desire to partner with local cities for economic development. Council questions concerning the Port's recent significant increase in property tax, competition with private enterprise and dredging of the Swinomish Channel were answered. The Port has created a profile of Skagit County geared toward economic development and is requesting cities to also place it on their website.

Impact Fee/General Facility Charge Credits for Existing Structures

- City Supervisor/Attorney Berg summarized the issues which continued the discussion from prior meetings. He will draft an ordinance based upon the following general consensus: Impact fee credits will remain with a property based upon its last usage; commercial general facility charge credits will remain the same; residential general facility charge credits will be changed to the commercial policy; upon demolition of derelict buildings, a credit will be issued for impact fees and general facility charges for ten (10) years with the property owner continuing to pay the monthly sewer fee.

Councilors were invited to attend the dedication of the 25th Habitat for Humanity House on April 15th. Councilors were reminded of the Council Retreat on May 10th.

The Council adjourned into Executive Session to review the performance of a public employee under RCW 42.30.110(i)(g) at 9:05 P.M. for approximately 20 minutes with no decision to be reached.

Council reconvened from Executive Session and adjourned at 9:24 P.M.