
CITY OF SEDRO-WOOLLEY

Regular Meeting of the City Council
September 12, 2012 – 7:00 P.M. –City Hall Council Chambers

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

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

Pledge of Allegiance

Consent Calendar

- Approval of Agenda
- Minutes from Previous Meeting (Including September 5, 2012 Worksession)
- Finance
 - Claim Checks #75120 to #75224 in the amount of \$202,247.11
 - Payroll Checks #53825 to #53935 in the amount of \$258,411.15
- Resolution 869-12 Appointing Members to the Lodging Tax Advisory Committee
- Interlocal Cooperative Agreement with Skagit county for Library Services – 2012
- Amendment 2 to the Interlocal Agreement dated 10/18/2011 with Skagit County Conservation District – NPDES Phase II Stormwater Permit WAR-04-5555
- Supplemental Agreement 1 – Professional Services Agreement No. 202-PS-14 for Design Phase Services for the SR/Cook Road Realignment and Extension Project – David Evans & Associates, Inc.

Councilmember Lemley requested to abstain from check #75162 payable to JJ's Cruisers, as he is a member of that organization.

Councilmember Storrs moved to approve the consent calendar Items A through G. Seconded by Councilmember Wagoner. Motion carried (7-0).

Public Comment

No comment received.

PUBLIC HEARING

Black Rock Franchise Ordinance

City Supervisor/Attorney Berg reviewed additional information requested by Council regarding the Black Rock Cable franchise ordinance. He noted a change in Section 4.2 (b) which puts a cap on the dollar value of pole line extensions. He introduced Bob Warshawer, President of Black Rock Cable.

Bob Warshawer, President of Black Rock Cable addressed the Council and briefly explained how the system works as well as who their customers are. He noted they service larger businesses with multiple locations and do not service residential areas. Black Rock Cable is based out of Bellingham and has a service area from the Canadian boarder to South Skagit County with one continuous network and a second network that starts in Arlington and goes to the King County line. He noted they are committed extending ease to Job Corps.

Mayor Anderson opened the public hearing at 7:10 P.M.

Mayor Anderson closed the public hearing at 7:10 P.M.

Councilmember Sandström moved to adopt Ordinance No. 1750-12, An Ordinance Granting a Non-Exclusive Franchise to Blackrock Cable Inc. Seconded by Councilmember Splane. Motion carried (7-0).

NEW BUSINESS

Selection of Alternate for Community Action Agency Board

Mayor Anderson stated that he sits on the board of the Community Action Agency. Sometimes he runs into conflicts and requested an alternate for the times that he is unable to attend.

Councilmember Storrs volunteered with no one else speaking up.

Councilmember Storrs was approved by acclamation by the Council.

COMMITTEE REPORTS AND REPORTS FROM OFFICERS

Police Chief Wood – stated there has been lots of activity in the Police Department but nothing to report.

He then reported, in his role as Rotary President on the progress of the Skate Board Park. He noted a grand is tentatively scheduled for October 13th. He also reported that Rotary applied for and received a \$3000 grant for protective gear which will be given out at the

grand opening. Wood offered tours and also spoke of the webcam that has been installed to keep an eye on the park.

Discussion of the webcam's ensued with it being noted that a second camera will be installed at Hammer Heritage Square.

Asst. Fire Chief Olson – reported on recent events that they participated in on September 11th. They participated in a parade around Big Lake in memory of the fallen firefighters and the Boys and Girls Club open house which also honored the Police and Fire. He also reported on a mini-academy being held along with District 8 for new recruits.

Engineer Freiburger – reported on the progress of the Metcalf Street improvements. He noted that paving will take place around the second week of October. He also reported on an on-call repair project on Greenstreet Blvd. The Solid Waste department will be working on crushing concrete which has been taken in at the recycle site to be used for the Swedelius Tree Farm Loop Road. The design phase project is coming along well and grant applications have been completed and sent off. Grant announcements will begin to come in sometime in mid-November. He also noted the TIB meeting is scheduled for mid-November in Bellingham.

City Supervisor/Attorney Berg – addressed rules for the Skate Park to include No BMX or other bikes of any kind, No homemade equipment and Hours of operation.

Discussion ensued regarding disallowing BMX bikes as they do not mix well with skate boards, improved BMX Park within the Bingham Park plans, park maintenance, request for no smoking in the park, closing hours and liability.

City Supervisor/Attorney Berg noted the rules have been reviewed by the City's insurance company and reviewed the Washington State immunity laws.

Councilmember Loy – reported it is rumored that Food Pavilion in Mt. Vernon is closing and he expressed concern for the Food Pavilion store in Sedro-Woolley.

Councilmember Splane – reported to Engineer Freiburger that there are poplar tree sprouts in the sidewalk on Sapp Road, across from where the large trees were removed.

Councilmember Wagoner -- questioned if there had been any progress on the abandoned vehicles reported on Sterling Street at the last Council meeting. He also questioned if there is an ordinance or any rules regarding people living in trailers or motor homes on residential property.

Police Chief Wood and City Supervisor/Attorney Berg responded.

Councilmember Galbraith – questioned if there has been any progress on Cascade Middle School break in.

Police Chief Wood stated that they have been following all leads, have issues several search warrants but have not received anything concrete. The detectives have been working hard to try to solve the case.

Councilmember Lemley – reported on the Founders Day festivities. He noted a smaller than usual crowd attended. The event honored the Stendal family and the car show had 188 cars and 1 motorcycle.

Councilmember Sandström – also reported on Founders Day as well as the grand opening of the Teen Center at the Boys and Girls Club.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

The meeting was adjourned to Executive Session at 7:41 P.M. for the purpose of personnel, collective bargaining and the performance of a public employee under RCW 42.30.110.1(g) and RCW 42.30.140.4, for approximately fifteen minutes with no decision expected.

The meeting reconvened at 8:07 P.M.

Councilmember Splane moved to adjourn. Seconded by Councilmember Lemley. Motion carried (7-0).

The meeting adjourned at 8:07 P.M.