
CITY OF SEDRO-WOOLLEY

Council Worksession

May 1, 2013 – 7:00 P.M. – Public Safety Training Room

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

Flag Salute

ROLL CALL: Present: Mayor Mike Anderson, Councilmembers: Kevin Loy, Tony Splane, Tom Storrs, Keith Wagoner, Hugh Galbraith, Rick Lemley and Brett Sandström. Staff: City Supervisor/Attorney Berg, Public Works Director Freiberger, Finance Director Nelson and Wastewater Treatment Plant Supervisor Allen

Mayor Anderson passed out an email from John Piazza Sr. regarding Rob McKenna's response concerning the County's opinion on John Piazza's jail construction proposal.

Sewer Rates and Sewer Capital Charge Review

- City Supervisor/Attorney Berg and Public Works Director Freiberger introduced the topic as a follow up to a request from the Council's Business Development committee. Katy Isakson led the discussion on sewer rates and general facility charges. Council consensus was to bring forth an ordinance with the proposed lower general facilities fee at the next Council meeting.

Traffic Impact Fee Review

- Public Works Director Freiberger led a discussion beginning with the theory behind the current 15 zones and fee per zone. The traffic model was updated by eliminating completed projects, reprioritizing project timelines and much larger funding from other sources which allow for significant reductions in each zones transportation impact fee. Freiberger also discussed the next updating of the transportation plan proposing to reduce the number of zones to approximately five or six. The general consensus of the Council was to bring forth an ordinance with the proposed lower traffic impact fees at the next Council meeting.

Transportation Projects

- Fruitdale Road is continuing to collapse due to poor construction, now including a second section of a similar length. An initial estimate for repair is approximately \$300,000. Closure would cause an alternate access issue in case of an emergency in the Portobello area as well as complicate the detour route while working on SR9 this summer. Discussion was held as to who uses

the road, asking the County for financial assistance and possibly vacating those sections.

- The State transportation budget passed with a provision to sell, lease or transfer at no cost land needed for the SR20/Cook Road project to the City of Sedro-Woolley.

Councilmember Wagoner moved to adjourn. Seconded by All. Motion carried (7-0).

The worksession adjourned at 8:46 P.M.