
CITY OF SEDRO-WOOLLEY

Regular Meeting of the City Council
July 10, 2013 – 7:00 P.M. – Council Chambers

ROLL CALL: Present: Mayor Mike Anderson, Councilmembers: Kevin Loy, Tony Splane, Tom Storrs, Hugh Galbraith, Rick Lemley and Brett Sandström. Staff: Recorder Brue, Finance Director Nelson, City Supervisor/Attorney Berg, Public Works Director Freiberger, Asst. Fire Chief Olson and Police Chief Wood.

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

Pledge of Allegiance

Consent Calendar

- Approval of Agenda
- Minutes from Previous Meeting
- Finance
 - Claim Checks #77116 to #77216 in the amount of \$132,906.22
 - Payroll Checks #55959 to #56071 in the amount of \$281,515.28
- Supplemental Agreement No. 5 to Professional Services Agreement No. 2012-PS-14 for Design Phase Services for the SR20/Cook Road Realignment and Extension Project – David Evans & Associates, Inc.
- Proposed Amendment 1 to the Interlocal Agreement between the City of Sedro-Woolley and P.U.D. No. 1 of Skagit County re SR20/Cook Road Realignment and Extension Project
- PSE Intolight Authorization Letters for Approval – SR20/Cook Road Realignment & Extension Project Schedules B and E
- Request for Approval of Interagency Agreement – FY 2013-2014 Puget Sound Local Source Control Specialist Partnership
- Proposed Amendment 1 to the Interlocal Agreement between the City of Sedro-Woolley and P.U.D. No. 1 of Skagit County RE SR9 Pedestrian/Bicycle Safety Improvement Project

Councilmember Storrs moved to approve the consent calendar Items A through H. Seconded by Councilmember Lemley. Motion carried (5-1, Councilmember Splane opposed due to items related to roundabouts)

Public Comment

Kathy Cotten – 9833 Adams Drive, Concrete, readdressed the Council regarding a burn clause and the inability to sell her home because of it. She presented a history of fixing up and reselling houses, receipt of a letter from the City addressing mowing and upkeep of the lawn, cost of landlord insurance, all paperwork referencing residential when she

purchased the home, retention of a pro bono attorney, loss of income due to the inability to sell and a crushed sewer line.

Some discussion ensued regarding zoning of property being commercial before or after her purchase.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Skagit County Jail Agreement

City Supervisor/Attorney Berg reviewed changes to the Skagit County Jail Agreement which included minor changes in wording, correction of a typo, and wording emphasis. He offered to entertain any questions Council may have.

Councilmember Storrs moved to approve the attached jail agreement by and between Skagit County and four cities for the construction, use and operation and authorize the Mayor to sign. Seconded by Councilmember Splane. Motion carried (6-0).

City Supervisor/Attorney Berg reviewed the process from this point on. He noted that Sedro-Woolley is the first to approve the agreement.

Tim Holloran – thanked the Mayor and City Supervisor/Attorney Berg for their participation in the meetings. He noted the proceedings were very respectful and also thanked the County Commissioner's for their support. Holloran spoke of the creative thinking around the table and a true partnership.

COMMITTEE REPORTS AND REPORTS FROM OFFICERS

Police Chief Wood – reported the 4th of July went well and they continue to be very busy chasing criminals.

Asst. Fire Chief Olson – reported they have been busy with brush fires and fireworks. He announced a modified burn ban going into effect July 12th. The Officers picnic will be held July 29th which is an event where officers thank firefighters for their hard work. Olson also reported on the firefighter competition in which Sedro-Woolley took first place after a tie breaker event. He noted the success of the event at the new location.

Public Works Director Freiberger – reported the contracts have been awarded for both the Cook Road and SR9 projects and addressed mobilization of the projects. He noted PSE continues their pole relocation and installation of two large poles. He also reported the Bingham Park building will be used for lodging of the project managers which will result in a savings of approximately \$36,000 to the city. Freiberger reviewed the SR9 project to include mobilization, one way traffic and the pedestrian crossing bridge. He also gave an update on the rotor replacement at the Wastewater Treatment Plant.

Mayor Anderson – commented on the weeds growing in the rockery around the roundabout.

City Supervisor/Attorney Berg – announced that John Coleman is taking a building class and has a conflict with the Council meeting nights over the next quarter.

Finance Director Nelson – reported that the long awaited RFP for new accounting software was issued on June 21st. She reviewed the timeline noting the goal is to be up and running at the first of the year.

Councilmember Loy – questioned the sewer repair addressed under the public comment period by Ms. Cotten.

City Supervisor/Berg and Public Works Director Freiburger discussed the project, onsite inspector during the project, claim process and timing.

Further discussion took place regarding responsibility, sale, non-conforming use code section, purchased as REO property and length of time the property has been zoned commercial.

Councilmember Storrs – reported that Loggerodeo went great and discussed some parking issues for the downtown merchants with Murdock Street being closed.

Councilmember Galbraith – questioned the start date of the pedestrian bridge, lane closures and the effect on Sapp Road.

Councilmember Sandström – reported a successful Loggerodeo.

Councilmember Galbraith – spoke of being on jury duty where Officer Hanawalt testified and noted his professionalism and handling himself extremely well under pressure.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

The meeting adjourned to executive session under RCW 42.30.110 (1)(i) at 7:46 P.M. for approximately 30 minutes with no decision anticipated.

The meeting reconvened at 8:20 P.M.

Councilmember Lemley moved to adjourn. Seconded by Councilmember Galbraith. Motion carried (6-0).

The meeting adjourned at 8:20 P.M.