
CITY OF SEDRO-WOOLLEY

Regular Meeting of the City Council
August 28, 2013 – 7:00 P.M. – Council Chambers

ROLL CALL: Present: Mayor Mike Anderson, Councilmembers: Kevin Loy, Tony Splane, Tom Storrs, Keith Wagoner (*via conference call for Executive Session only*), Hugh Galbraith, Rick Lemley and Brett Sandström. Staff: Recorder Brue, City Supervisor/Attorney Berg, Public Works Director Freiberger (7:02 P.M.) , 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

Councilmember Storrs moved to excuse Councilmember Wagoner from tonight's Council meeting. Seconded by Councilmember Lemley. Motion carried (6-0).

Consent Calendar

- Approval of Agenda
- Minutes from Previous Meeting
- Finance
 - Claim Checks #77459 to #77552 in the amount of \$272,070.81(Void Check #77543)
 - Payroll Checks #56304 to #56414 in the amount of \$199,672.47
- Resolution 885-13 – Possible Surplus of Miscellaneous Solid Waste Containers
- Resolution 886-13 – Appointing Members to the Lodging Tax Advisory Committee
- Possible Bid Award – 2013 Sanitary Sewer Replacement Project – C. Johnson Construction, Inc.
- Professional Services Agreement – First Insurance Agency

Councilmember Storrs moved to approve the consent calendar Items A through G. Seconded by Councilmember Lemley. Motion carried (6-0).

Special Recognition

Mayor Anderson announced proposed Resolution No. 887-13 – Wishing Joe Nemo a Happy 100th Birthday and Recognizing Him as a Lifetime Resident of Sedro-Woolley. He noted Mr. Nemo was unable to attend tonight's meeting but he will present the Resolution to him at Founder's Day in September.

Councilmember Galbraith moved to approve Resolution No. 887-13, A Resolution Wishing Joe Nemo a Happy 100th Birthday and Recognizing Him as a Lifetime Resident of Sedro-Woolley. Councilmember Sandström seconded. Motion carried (6-0).

S.W. Rotary Skate Park

City Supervisor/Attorney Berg reviewed Sedro-Woolley Rotary Club's Skate Board project and the valuation of the completed park donated to the City. He noted that the Rotary Club banks the value of their projects for use of City facilities.

Councilmember Sandström moved to contribute to the Rotary banked projects the amount of \$250,000 for their use of city facilities. Seconded by Councilmember Lemley. Motion carried (6-0).

City Supervisor/Attorney Berg thanked the Rotary Club for their efforts to bring a prime facility to our City.

Councilmember Loy announced the upcoming Skatepark event featuring seven professional skaters to be held on September 14th. He noted this is the largest skate event north of Seattle and it is hoped to become an annual event.

City Supervisor/Attorney Berg reviewed future plans for changes at the ball park. He noted that future discussions will be held and final plans will come forth for Council review and approval.

Police Chief Wood on behalf of Sedro-Woolley Rotary presented a video program of the construction of the Skate park. He noted it was a great project with lots of community effort and support. He also credited the Sedro-Woolley High School students in Mr. McCart's class for the video production.

Councilmember Lemley left the Council bench at 7:14 P.M.

Mayor Anderson thanked Chief Wood for his participation in the project.

Items from the Audience

Dennis O'Neil – 109 Talcott St., addressed the Council regarding the center line on the south end of Metcalf, J turns in the downtown area and oversized vehicle parking causing visibility issues in the downtown. He presented scenarios which provide an unsafe atmosphere and wanted to make sure his concerns became a matter of public record.

Council discussion ensued regarding previous Council's position regarding J turns, the situation today being different than 15 years ago, lack of a center line, timing issue and center line versus no center line.

Councilmember Lemley returned to the Council bench at 7:34 P.M.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

City Council Critical Goals and Objectives

City Supervisor/Attorney Berg reviewed the Critical Goals and Objectives which had been modified as a result of comments made at the last meeting.

A lengthy Council discussion ensued regarding comments on performing arts, various wording changes, combining several bullets into one statement, encouraging repair of downtown buildings and creating sources of revenue beyond existing tax base to enhance city services.

Councilmember Sandström moved to approve the Council Critical Goals and Objectives. Seconded by Councilmember Storrs. Motion tied (Councilmember's Lemley, Galbraith and Splane opposed).

Discussion continued to include wanting more time to think about the goals, order of prioritization, performing arts and intention of statement, goals for the future, basis for budgeting and formatting of the document. Discussion was also held whether to discuss further at the upcoming worksession.

Councilmember Storrs moved to approve with the noted changes and bullets only. Seconded by Councilmember Sandström. Motion carried (3-2, Councilmembers Loy and Splane opposed).

NEW BUSINESS

Revision of Interlocal Agreement for County-Wide Public Safety Communication Center

City Supervisor/Attorney Berg reviewed the proposed Interlocal Agreement for County wide public safety communication center. He presented a history of the formation of the interlocal and representation. He then reviewed the 2013 amendments to the agreement to include representation, frequency of meetings and liability modification.

It was noted that the copy supplied to Council did not have the changes highlighted. A highlighted copy will be supplied and brought back to the next meeting for action.

City Supervisor/Attorney Berg informed Council of potential changes to the 911 agreement.

COMMITTEE REPORTS AND REPORTS FROM OFFICERS

Police Chief Wood – reported the department continues to be busy with a lot going on. He also announced upcoming events for the Sedro-Woolley Riding Club and encouraged people to attend.

Public Works Director Freiburger – reported of the receipt of the last permit from the Corp of Engineer’s which allows for filling of ditches on the SR20/Cook Road project. He reported on the progress of the project which is on schedule. He noted difficulties with the Hwy 9 Sidewalk Extension project with the contractor being behind schedule. A new schedule was presented to the City which was found to be unacceptable. Freiburger stated he has been very clear with the contractor regarding the traffic once school starts. He then reported on a number of small projects ongoing around town.

City Supervisor/Attorney Berg – reported on the upcoming hearing schedule before County Commissioners regarding Dike District 12.

Councilmember Galbraith – reported on the opening of Cascade Middle School noting the City was well represented. He commented on the amazing facility.

Councilmember Splane – requested a letter be sent to the managers of the Sapp Road apartments regarding illegal dumping in Brickyard Creek.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

The meeting adjourned to Executive Session at 8:17 P.M. for the purpose of personnel under RCW 42.30.110 (i) for approximately 20 minutes with possible action.

The meeting reconvened at 8:51 P.M.

It was noted that Councilmember Wagoner joined the meeting via conference call for the Executive Session.

Councilmember Sandström moved to authorize creating a third Police Sargent position effective Jan 1 2014. Seconded by Councilmember Galbraith. Motion carried (7-0).

Councilmember Galbraith moved to approve a Memorandum of Understanding with AFSCME creating a temporary position. Seconded by Councilmember Splane. Motion carried (7-0).

Councilmember Storrs moved to enter into a Memorandum of Understanding between the City of Sedro Woolley and AFSCME Local 176SW regarding dual insurance, HRA Veba and Tricare. Seconded by Councilmember Galbraith. Motion carried (7-0).

Councilmember Storrs moved to enter into a Memorandum of Understanding between the City of Sedro Woolley and AFSCME Local 176SW adding a new section to Appendix A as listed. Councilmember Galbraith seconded. Carried.

Councilmember Splane moved to adjourn. Seconded by Councilmember Wagoner (via conference call).

The Meeting adjourned at 8:55 P.M.