
CITY OF SEDRO-WOOLLEY

Regular Meeting of the City Council
May 14, 2014 – 7:00 P.M. – Council Chambers

ROLL CALL: Present: Mayor Mike Anderson, Councilmembers: Kevin Loy, Germaine Kornegay, Brenda Kinzer, Keith Wagoner, Rick Lemley and Brett Sandström. Staff: Recorder Brue, Finance Director Nelson, City Supervisor/Attorney Berg, Public Works Director Freiburger, Planning Director Coleman, Fire Chief Klinger and Police Lt. Tucker.

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 (including May 7, 2014 Worksession)
- Finance
 - Claim Checks #179159 – 179281 in the amount of \$626,554.91
 - Payroll Checks #58124 to #58143 plus EFT's in the amount of \$257,236.07
- Grant Agreement – Ecology Secondary Containment Voucher Program Contract C14001478
- Possible Bid Award – 2014 Wheeled Carts, Commercial Front Load Dumpsters and Roll Off containers – Rehrig Pacific Company, Los Angeles, CA & Capital Industries Inc., Seattle WA

Councilmember Lemley moved to approve the consent calendar items A through E. Seconded by Councilmember Wagoner. Motion carried (6-0).

Public Comment

Phillip Murray – 223 State Street questioned the differences in the handicap ramps throughout town and pointed out inconsistency in designs. He also addressed redesign of parking at the old Loggers & Contractors building as well as travel trailers and other nuisance items.

Skagit County Jail Update – Marc Estvold

Marc Estvold presented an update on the Skagit County Jail facility. He also introduced Sheriff Will Reichardt. The presentation included the history of overcrowding, make-up of the Jail Coordinating Council, recommendation of financing with sales tax by voter approval, status of permitting process, site selection, building design, future growth plan, certification, project budget, next steps and project time line.

Estvold and Sherriff Reichardt entertained Council questions regarding a built in courtroom and its purpose, gaps in project time line, purpose of accreditation, separation of male and female inmates, plan for existing jail and pre-load time line.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

No Unfinished Business

NEW BUSINESS

No New Business

COMMITTEE REPORTS AND REPORTS FROM OFFICERS

Police Lt. Tucker – updated the Council on the hiring process for a Code Enforcement Officer, after the Code Enforcement position is filled he will be moving into hiring a lateral officer. Tucker stated he has been touring the trouble spots in town getting ready for code enforcement. He also reported on recent radio testing with the School District and issues with property on Jameson Street that is a high priority.

Fire Chief Klinger – announced the addition of six new volunteers, three will be residents. He also noted they are still in need of more volunteers and will be testing again on June 7th.

Planning Director Coleman – reported on a big push on code enforcement for derelict properties. He also addressed the discussion on Accessory Dwelling Units noting he will be bringing the Housing Element to Council for their review without the ADU provisions.

Public Works Director Freiburger – reported the paving at the Skagit Park and Ride and Bingham Park has been completed. He also pointed out his written summary on change orders. The Third Street Paving Project bids close tomorrow and Freiburger addressed an opportunity for an intern from the Washington Engineering Institute.

City Supervisor/Attorney Berg –reported on the radio frequency issue noting we are now officially licensed but waiting for the green light to locate on the tower. He addressed a Memorandum of Understanding with the Guild stating there is no evidence of approval and requested ratification which allows for the use of retirees and addresses lateral hiring practices.

Councilmember Kornegay moved to ratify the MOU between the Guild and the City. Seconded by Councilmember Wagoner. Motion carried (6-0).

City Supervisor/Attorney Berg reported on the County's move to paperless agendas. He questioned the Council if they would be interested in going the same direction with the use of technology for Council packets and access to city e mail. The Council consensus was they are willing to try one out.

Finance Director Nelson – reported the Finance Department is busy and she has been working on completing the annual report. She also reported on various miscellaneous items such as the annual audit will be sometime in September or October, a student intern is working in the Finance Department on various projects and financial statements are located in the back of the Council packets.

Councilmember Loy – reported on a Business Development Committee meeting. He noted the committee is gathering ideas and will present them after their next meeting.

Councilmember Sandström – discussed consideration of large event rental at Riverfront Park as part of Business Development Committee discussion.

Councilmember Wagoner – thanked the Street Department for the gravel behind the school.

Councilmember Lemley – reported on the Sedro-Woolley Rotary Clubs successful auction which raised approximately \$145,000 for scholarships and community projects.

Councilmember Sandström – questioned when Bingham Park will reopen.

It was noted that it should be opened by July 4th.

Councilmember Wagoner moved to adjourn. Seconded by Councilmember Lemley.

The meeting adjourned at 8:00 P.M.