
CITY OF SEDRO-WOOLLEY

Regular Meeting of the City Council
February 25, 2015 – 7:00 P.M. – Council Chambers

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

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

Pledge of Allegiance

Consent Calendar

- Approval of Agenda
- Minutes from Previous Meeting
- Finance
 - Claim Checks #180987 to #181073 plus EFT's in the amount of \$153,319.40
 - Payroll Checks #58461 to #58473 plus EFT's in the amount of \$178,560.49
- Possible Bid Award – Fire Station No. 1 Garage Door Replacement – Crawford Garage Doors Inc.
- Professional Services Agreement No. 2015-PS-12 Utility Financial Planning, Rate Studies, Fee & Connection Charges
- Possible Bid Award – 2014 Wheeled Carts – Toter Inc., North Carolina
- Possible Bid Award – 40 Cubic Yard Structural Roll-Off Containers – Enterprise Sales Inc., Ontario Or.
- Possible Bid Award – Plastic Commercial Frontload Containers – Rehrig Pacific Company, Los Angeles, CA
- Resolution 910=15 – Declaring Certain Property as Surplus and Authorizing its Disposition
- Possible Contract Award – 3 CY Self –contained Slip-in Type Asphalt Patch Unit – J & K Associates

Councilmember Galbraith moved to approve the consent calendar A through J. Seconded by Councilmember Kornegay Motion carried (7-0).

Public Comment

Jeremy Kindlund – Manager of the Sedro-Woolley Farmers Market requested permission and a letter of support to have sampling of wine and beer at the Farmers Market. He passed out WAC 314-24-175 Farmer's Market Beer and Wine Sampling regulations.

Some discussion ensued regarding the permitting time frame, trial runs at farmer's markets and limitations for sampling.

Councilmember Loy moved to authorize the Mayor to allow the permit to sample wine and beer at the Farmer's Market. Seconded by Councilmember Kornegay.

Further discussion ensued regarding the vendors and verbal request by Liquor Control Board for the letter from the City.

Motion carried (7-0).

PUBLIC HEARING

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Proposed Comprehensive Plan Amendments – 2015 Docket

Planning Director Coleman addressed the 2015 Comprehensive Plan Amendments and recapped the worksession discussion. He requested a motion to approve the 2015 Docket.

Council discussion was held regarding the Northern State property, County involvement, property already within the urban growth area, land annexation and timing. Councilmember Galbraith requested to be placed into the record the qualification of Consultant, Jana Hansen.

City Supervisor/Attorney Berg noted that Planning Director Coleman is very capable of doing what Hansen has been contracted to do. The Planning Department has a capacity of two people and is maxed to their workload capacity. Hansen is recently retired from Mount Vernon as the Director of Development Services. Prior to being at Mount Vernon she has been the Town Administrator at the Town of LaConner and Director of Development Services for the City of Renton. She has the capability and recent experience to work on this project work closely with Public Works Director Freiburger and Planning Director Coleman.

Councilmember Wagoner moved to approve items 1 through 5 on the 2015 Docket. Seconded by Councilmember Kornegay.

Council discussion was held to include the land use element, buildable land use analysis, population information filtered through the buildable land analysis and expected growth.

Councilmember Galbraith addressed the non-friendly reputation of the permitting process. He stated we should be saying "how can we make this happen" instead of why we can't do it. City Supervisor/Attorney Berg addressed the direction given to staff and noted that the Planning Department serves a difficult function as the gatekeeper to council policies by identifying the obstacles and how to meet code, the difficulty of fighting the vestige of the past rather than the reality of the future and the need to respect the public role and process.

Motion carried (7-0).

SWPD Repeater Project/Skagit 911 Agreement

City Supervisor/Attorney Berg reviewed the next phase of the repeater project noting Skagit 911 has agreed to purchase the equipment for us and to provide project management for the SWPD repeater project and to enter into an agreement for the scope of work identified.

Councilmember Galbraith moved to authorize the Mayor, Mike Anderson to sign an agreement in a form to be approved by the city attorney, with Skagit 911 to allow the attached scope of work to proceed on the SWPD repeater project. Seconded by Councilmember Lemley. Motion carried (7-0).

NEW BUSINESS

Public Messaging Regarding Nuisances

City Supervisor/Attorney Berg reviewed proposed code enforcement inserts to be placed in utility bills to address nuisances in an effort to clean up our city. If approved, the inserts would begin with the April billing. Some of the issues identified are loose dogs, cars parking on sidewalks, broken down cars in front yards and garbage cans left out all week.

Discussion ensued regarding feral cats and grouping of items so all 17 can be addressed. Councilmember Sandström offered to be the photographer. The Council consensus was to proceed.

COMMITTEE REPORTS AND REPORTS FROM OFFICERS

Police Chief Tucker – reported the two new recruits both passed their academy physical test and they will be starting the academy on March 10th. Chief Tucker also noted preparations are ongoing for the round of new hires.

Fire Chief Klinger – Requested out of state travel authorization for Asst. Chief Todd Olson who has been accepted to the National Fire Academy Executive Training Course. The course is all expenses paid and an honor to be accepted.

Councilmember Lemley moved to approve Asst. Chief Olson to go to Washington DC for training at no cost to the City. Seconded by Councilmember Wagoner. Motion carried (7-0).

Planning Director Coleman – announced that Jana Hansen is now on board.

Public Works Director Freiburger – reported the CA certification interview is scheduled for tomorrow morning. This will allow for internal processing of paperwork to save money on projects. He also addressed the Cascade trail project and some proposed changes to place on the north side. Freiburger also reported the Greenstreet sewer project will go out to bid in May. He has also been busy working with Jana, John and Eron on the Janicki proposal.

Some discussion was held regarding the Cascade Trail project to include change of sides, shared use paths and asphalt pricing.

City Supervisor/Attorney Berg – reminded Council of the special meeting to be held on Friday at 10:30 AM. He highlighted the agenda and the special meeting notice. The meeting will be held jointly with the Port of Skagit County and Skagit County. Peter Janicki will give a presentation on the Omniprocessor and his vision for a research and development center at the Northern State Hospital site for Janicki BioEnergy.

Discussion ensued regarding annexation process, site plan and the annual trip to Olympia for meeting with legislatures.

Mayor Anderson thanked Councilmember Wagoner for representing the City and providing testimony on the bills regarding Northern State. He represented Sedro-Woolley well.

Councilmember Kornegay – thanked the Mayor for the opportunity to attend the Community Action meeting.

Councilmember Sandström – noted he has a conflicting obligation on Friday and will not be able to attend the special council meeting. Sandström did express his support for the annexation and the project as a whole.

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

The meeting adjourned at 7:55 P.M.