
CITY OF SEDRO-WOOLLEY

Regular Meeting of the City Council
August 26, 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, Finance Director Nelson, City Supervisor/Attorney Berg, Public Works Director Freiburger, Planning Director Coleman, Asst Fire Chief Olson and Police Chief 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
- Finance
 - Claim Checks #182109 to #182186 plus EFT's in the amount of \$133,103.47
 - Payroll Checks #58652 to #58664 plus EFT's in the amount of \$208,053.34
- Funding Agreement with Skagit County for EDASC Dues
- Ordinance 1820-15 Repealing SWMC 8.40.110

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

Skagit County of Governments Update Presentation – Kevin Murphy

Kevin Murphy, Executive Director of Skagit County of Government presented a power point presentation on the overview of SCOG which is a voluntary organization of local governments established in 1967. Their main focus is on regional transportation planning and economic development. He highlighted regional transportation funding and metropolitan transportation funding. Murphy entertained questions from the Council.

Public Comment

No comment

PUBLIC HEARING

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Parking Ordinance

City Supervisor/Attorney Berg reviewed the proposed parking ordinance with no changes from the first read. The ordinance would prohibit parking for more than 10 days on city streets and rights-of-ways and updated the enforcement process. Some discussion was held.

Councilmember Wagoner moved to approve Ordinance No. 1821-15 An Ordinance Adding New Section to SWMC 10.44 Regarding Time Limits for Parking on City Rights-of-way and Updating the Enforcement Process. Seconded by Councilmember Kornegay. Motion carried. (7-0).

NEW BUSINESS

COMMITTEE REPORTS AND REPORTS FROM OFFICERS

City Supervisor/Attorney Berg reviewed the recent installation of a 6 foot fence which is not compliant with the current code. He noted there are many like fences throughout the city and requested direction from Council as to how to proceed. A lengthy discussion followed on fencing, front, side and rear setbacks and corner lots.

Councilmember Wagoner moved to suspend enforcement on 17.44.010 until the Planning Commission can review. Seconded by Councilmember Kinzer

Discussion was held on placing the item on the worksession agenda if time allows.

Motion carried (7-0).

Police Chief Tucker – reported the new lateral officers are out on their own. The new patrol vehicle was delivered and is in the process of being outfitted. He also reported on a new face book page for the Police Department as well as the bid opening on the new jail.

Asst. Fire Chief Olson – reported the Fire Academy started on Saturday. Crews had been sent to Newhalem to help battle the fires. Olson also announced the burn ban is still in effect. There are several spots available for September 17, 2015 CPR class.

Planning Director Coleman – thanked the Council for their decision for the hiring of a building inspector/plans examiner. He noted the position has been posted and will close September 10th. He also reviewed the number of permits and projects that have been received within the last week. Coleman reminded Council of the upcoming joint worksession with the Planning Commission on September 2nd. The main topic will be the update on the Comprehensive Plan Amendments – 2015 Docket.

Public Works Director Freiburger – reported on the TIB applications submitted. He also reviewed the progress on the ball field project, Greenstreet project and storm drain cleaning. He

also noted the concern of the bank repair brought up by Mrs. Tomasino at the last meeting has been taken care of and on the solid waste transition from Waste Management.

Finance Director Nelson – reported the Finance Department has been extremely busy taking calls and answering questions on the solid waste recycling and yard waste programs. She noted it is going well but is a very large task.

Councilmember Loy – announced the upcoming Skate Board Challenge.

Councilmember Kornegay – thanked the Sedro-Woolley Rotary and the sponsors of the summer concerts in the park. She also questioned the status of the ATM and tree issue that was brought forward at the last meeting.

Councilmember Kinzer – reported there is still a fireworks sign on Hwy 20.

Councilmember Galbraith – questioned the Penske trucks picking up recycle containers. He also reported of some blackberry vines over the sidewalk on Hwy 9.

Councilmember Lemley – questioned the status of the Greenstreet Blvd. petition on the median.

It was noted by City Supervisor/Attorney Berg that the City will comply with the resident's request.

Councilmember Sandström – reported on a recent Parks Committee meeting. The meeting was held to discuss converting the current Lions Shelter at Memorial Park into a caretaker cottage to better take care of park. The estimated cost is \$30,000. The committee is interested in pursuing this as part of 2015 budget. He also reported on an idea to partner with the School District to close Talcott Street at the school and make into a neighborhood park. Staffing within the Parks Department was also discussed.

Public Works Director Freiburger – spoke on the relocation of Tesaraik Field and the maintenance it will require when finished.

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

The meeting adjourned at 8:02 P.M.