
CITY OF SEDRO-WOOLLEY

Regular Meeting of the City Council
October 14, 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, Fire Chief Klinger 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 (Including October 7, 2015 Worksession)
- Finance
 - Claim Checks #182368 to #182492 in the amount of \$345,241.55.
 - Payroll Checks #58696 to #58712 plus EFT's in the amount of \$284,912.99
- Professional Services Agreement No. 2015-PS-07 On-Call Traffic Modeling
- Amendment to the Interlocal Agreement dated 10/18/2011 with Skagit County Conservation District Public Education & Involvement Project in Support of the NPDES Phase II Stormwater Permit WAR-04-5555
- Interlocal Agreement between the City, County and Port regarding Northern State
- Interlocal Agreement with Skagit County for Provision of Community Services – 2016

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

Public Comment

Julian Pavisi – 519 Sapp Road, addressed the Council regarding several issues such as barking dogs, street repairs (Trail and Cook), single lane underpass on Sapp Rd, tree roots on road needing sealant (Sapp and N. Reed), speeders on N. Reed and Sapp Rd. and the fuel surcharge on the utility bills.

PUBLIC HEARING

Transportation Benefit District – Ordinance Assuming the Rights, Powers, Functions and Obligations of the TBD

City Supervisor/Attorney Berg reviewed the history of the Transportation Benefit District and the proposed ordinance for the city to assume the TBD. He noted the original purpose of the funding remains which is to fund transportation projects within the city limits. Action would allow the City to assume all of the powers, rights, and responsibilities as the TBD without utilizing a second board of directors or needing a second budget and audit.

Mayor Anderson opened the public hearing at 7:11 P.M.

Julian Pavisi – 519 Sapp Road, questioned the implementation of the car tab fee.

Mayor Anderson closed the public hearing at 7:14 P.M.

Councilmember Wagoner moved to adopt the attached Ordinance 1823-15 assuming the Sedro-Woolley Transportation Benefit District. Seconded by Councilmember Kinzer. Motion carried (7-0).

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Possible Revisions to SWMC Title 6 (City Animal Code)

City Supervisor/Attorney Berg reviewed revisions to the SWMC Title 6 noting previous discussion at the October 7th worksession. He also noted some of the code was created over 110 years ago. Officer Laura Carr performed an extensive review and update of the code. Berg specifically addressed unlawful tethering of dogs and reviewed the conditions under which a dog can be tethered. The City of Arlington's ordinance was used as a guide. Berg stated that Officer Carr sees it as a positive tool in doing her job.

Amy Wood – 160 N. Murdock, addressed tethering of dogs and the affect tethering has on a dog both physical and psychological.

Christine Cameron – 26055 Hoehn Rd, addressed the Council regarding tethering of dogs. She stated she was a licensed veterinary technician for 34 years and also a former code enforcement officer in Colorado for 12 years. She agreed with having to pay for all days of boarding but also noted there are times when tethering is necessary. Cameron encouraged having some wording on the length of time an animal can be tethered.

George Wolner – resident of north Sedro-Woolley stated he appreciated the comments made by Ms. Cameron. He also noted that dogs are family and encouraged to allow the authority to check on how an animal is doing.

Councilmember Kornegay read a letter from Carmen Williams of Sunny Lane Academy into the record in support of the ordinance for restricted tethering.

Councilmember Wagoner spoke regarding the ordinance noting it was a great ordinance but disagreed with the tethering portion. He also noted there is no definition of adequate shelter and that it is overstepping boundaries.

Councilmember Galbraith addressed the enforcement being for people doing bad things with dogs. He expressed concern on how the ordinance is written and believes it will difficult to enforce.

A lengthy discussion was held.

Councilmember Wagoner moved to approve the ordinance minus paragraph 6.120(h)(8). No second received. Motion dies for lack of a second.

Councilmember Sandström moved to adopt ordinance #1824-15 which repeals the current animal code and adopts a new code in its place to address the safety, welfare and regulation of animals within the City of Sedro-Woolley with changes of business with reference to number days and references from slain to killed. Seconded by Councilmember Kinzer. Motion carried (7-0).

NEW BUSINESS

COMMITTEE REPORTS AND REPORTS FROM OFFICERS

Minor Contracts Approved Under SWMC 2.104.060

Police Chief Tucker – reported on the condition of Sgt. Harris who was injured during a high speed chase noting he would be back to work tomorrow. He also reported on a lock down at Cascade Middle School and an accident at the skate board park that resulted with a broken arm. Tucker also spoke on new security features at the high school and the need for a school resource officer.

Asst. Fire Chief Olson – reported on the Fire Academy that is $\frac{3}{4}$ complete. They have also been busy with fire prevention week, Unit 5519 is on its way to be rechassised and they have been very busy with calls.

Planning Director Coleman – reported the Planning Commission will be holding a public hearing on October 20th on the UGA expansion proposals and zoning. They have also been working on Northern State project. He noted the EIS and Sub Area plans are now out for review. A special meeting of the Planning Commission will be held on November 3rd on the sub area plan. On Nov. 17th a public hearing will be held on the sub area plan and planned action ordinance. He also announced a County public hearing on Oct. 27 on what will be placed on the 2016 docket.

Public Works Director Freiburger – reported on the completion of the Greenstreet project, Houser field project, storm drain clearing on F & S Grade road and the construction of a traffic

calming circle in the vicinity of Dunlop St. He also reported receiving authorization for consultant selection for Fruitdale Road as well as advertising for the WWTP equipment assessment.

City Supervisor/Attorney Berg – addressed an Interlocal agreement for the Central Valley Ambulance Authority (CVAA) for sharing a reserve ambulance. He requested council action for approval.

Councilmember Wagoner moved to approve the Interlocal Agreement for Sharing A Reserve Ambulance between Central Valley Ambulance Authority and the City of Sedro-Woolley. Seconded by Councilmember Galbraith. Motion carried (7-0).

City Supervisor/Attorney Berg – reminded everyone present of the Candidates forum scheduled for tomorrow night.

Finance Director Nelson – informed Council that an individual from outside the City Limits has been charged the car tab tax. She worked with the Department of Revenue and Department of Licensing to come up with a procedure for refunds.

Councilmember Loy – thanked police for looking after skate board park.

Councilmember Kornegay – reported on the ribbon cutting for the Hansen Creek Bridge.

Councilmember Wagoner – noted the High School is looking for mentors for Cub Strong days.

Councilmember Galbraith – thanked City Supervisor/Attorney Berg and Nathan for solving a problem regarding signage on a private road.

Councilmember Lemley – announced the upcoming Chamber Halloween parade on Saturday October 31st.

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

The meeting adjourned at 8:33P.M.