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CITY OF SEDRO-WOOLLEY  
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Regular Meeting of the City Council  
April 27, 2016 – 7:00 P.M. – Council Chambers

ROLL CALL: Present: Mayor Keith Wagoner; Councilmembers: Judith Dunn Lee, Germaine Kornegay, Brenda Kinzer, Julia Johnson, Chuck Owen, Rick Lemley and Brett Sandström. Staff: Finance Director Nelson, City Supervisor/Attorney Berg, Public Works Director Freiberger, Planning Director Coleman, Fire Chief Klinger and Police Sgt. Harris.

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

Pledge of Allegiance

Consent Calendar

- Approval of Agenda
- Minutes from Previous Meeting
- Finance
  - Claim Checks #183640 to #183748 plus EFT's in the amount of \$298,741.55
  - Payroll Checks #58891 to #58904 plus EFT's in the amount of \$253,823.75
- Extension to Lease Agreement with Sterling Hill Potatoes
- Professional Services Agreement No. 2016-PS-18 for Construction Phase Engineering Support Services for the Jameson Arterial Extension to SR 9 Project – H.W. Lochner, Inc.
- Proposed Resolution 941-16 and Possible Contract Award – Contract 2016 – PW – 03, 2016 Ferry Street and Township Street Overlay Project – Colacurcio Brothers Inc.
- Regional Library Project Architect Selections – Professional Services Agreement No. 2016 – PS – 20 – SHKS Architects PS, Inc.

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

Public Comment

Neil Ishihara – 801 McLean – requested Council consider alternatives to the Mayor's library proposal. He reviewed options for consideration and encouraged Councilmembers to attend the Rural Library board meetings as their minutes have gotten less detailed.

Julie Anderson – 314 Hawthorne, user of the library for 40 years, believes any decision should be voted on by the public.

Christine Johnson – 801 McLean, spoke of attending the City Works Day and the participation and fun day that was spearheaded by the Library personnel. She then addressed the essential

need for reading comprehension, access to books, need for good books and the benefit to the community as our children do better.

Robert Abrams – resident of Sapp Road and a member of City Library Board spoke on the Mayor’s proposal and addressed the authority vested in the County Library District. He addressed a written statement from the Library Board regarding the proposal suggesting the Rural Library District contract with the City for an appropriate amount of money to be decided to provide immediate library services to the residents of Central Skagit Library District.

Melissa Macomber – 407 Spring Ln., spoke in favor of the proposal, underfunding of the library and the library being an opportunity to benefit everyone. She noted we are one of the only counties in the State without a county wide system. Macomber addressed increased resources for all.

Gary Moody – 1035 Clifford St. concurred with all statements except one. He stated we are giving away the keys to the city by allowing a different group to take over the library system. It’s not appropriate to give over everything with no way of grabbing onto anything. We would be walking away from a fantastic library. He also addressed the spray park and believes a better need would be to have a pool as opposed to a play area.

Dennis O’Neil – 109 Talcott St., addressed the proposal being on a fast track and reminds him of the Deluxe situation a number of years ago. He also commented on the lack of representation for the library and no mention of it in the new city magazine. He also questioned the ability for input and feedback and cautioned Council to slow the process down.

James Moore – 820 Dana Dr., complimented the Mayor and Police for the traffic control efforts on Hwy 9. He then questioned how the library proposal will be funded and expressed concern if it will raise taxes, and if it will raise taxes, he believes it should go to a vote of the people.

Mary Andersson – 928 Beachley Rd., expressed her gratitude for the City Council on their commitment to their positions. She spoke about people being passionate about the City Library and that the Mayor’s proposal has never been about the staff or jobs, it’s been about the gift of the library for the citizens. She asked Council to deeply to consider where they want the City of Sedro-Woolley to be in the next 100 years.

Councilmember Sandström – addressed the need for a fact sheet to be published once there are facts. He noted this is meant to be a partnership and fear is clouding the vision. He emphasized the boards have not yet met.

## **PUBLIC HEARING**

### Memorial Park Renovation and Spray Park Project – Resolution to Authorize Grant Application

City Supervisor/Attorney Berg introduced the Memorial Park Renovation and Spray Park Project. He acknowledged Nathan Salseina, Public Works Operations Supervisor and Larry Otos, Consultant for the project both in the audience. He reviewed the timeline, process of the

RCO Grant, budget estimate, current issues at Memorial Park, funding agreement and RCO funding.

Mayor Wagoner briefly explained fund specific funds which have rules as to what they can be used for. He also spoke of the positive response for the project by various groups.

Mayor Wagoner opened the public hearing at 7:35 P.M.

Luke Ballorice – 1148 Rhodes Road, expressed concern of an age specific park and the need for things for teens to do.

Gary Moody – 1035 Clifford Street, doesn't agree with idea that just because money is available doesn't mean it needs to be used. He believes a swimming pool that could be used for people of all ages would be a better use and stated if money is coming from his taxes he wants something he can use.

Judith Meadows – 842 Westerman Rd., noted she is not well informed on the spray park but addressed allocating funds and the staff time being used for things the citizens might not enjoy. She also addressed the statement made of checking with the groups and wonders who has checked with the citizens, the need for a cost benefit analysis and the time spent on forming plans or ideas.

Helge Andersson – spoke on how nice the renderings look but they don't always turn out the way they look. He encouraged the need for something to use year round like an aquatic center.

Christine Johnson – 814 McLean – noted there are things she likes about the renovation but is concerned about operational costs. She also noted the increase in the cost amount.

Allia Edson– 1917 7<sup>th</sup> Street, requested more recreational things around town for teens like a covered basketball court or indoor soccer park.

James Moore – 820 Dana Dr. addressed teen centers in small towns he has lived in and spoke about the advantages the centers give to kids to enjoy different activities.

Mayor Wagoner closed the public hearing at 7:47 P.M.

Mayor Wagoner reviewed on the open house held on the park renovation as part of the City Works Day.

Council discussion ensued regarding the renovation of Memorial Park, parking, being a multi-generational park, economics, shared parking, advantages of having an on-site caretaker, schools that surround the park, purpose being to curb vandalism and alternative plans considered.

Larry Otos – addressed the resolution for funding noting changes can be made prior to the May 2<sup>nd</sup> deadline. He also addressed the search for the best site.

Councilmember Sandström moved for Resolution 942-16 A Resolution of the City Council of the City of Sedro-Woolley Authorizing Staff to Apply for Funding from the Recreation and Conservation Office Washington Wildlife and Recreations Program (WWRP) for the Memorial Park Rehabilitation and spray Park Project. Seconded by Councilmember Kornegay. Motion carried (6-1, Councilmember Owen opposed).

## **UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

### 2014 Comprehensive Plan Docket

Planning Director Coleman reviewed the second read for the update of the Capital Facilities Element and updates to the SWMC fire impact fees and school impact fees associated with the 2014 Comprehensive Plan amendments.

Councilmember Dunn Lee moved to adopt Ordinance No. 1844-16, to adopt amendments to the Capital Facilities Element of the Comprehensive Plan. Seconded by Councilmember Sandström. Motion carried (7-0).

Councilmember Johnson moved to adopt Ordinance No. 1845-16, to adopt amendments to the Chapters 15.60 and 15.64 SWMC regarding fire and school impact fee values. Seconded by Councilmember Kornegay. Motion carried (7-0).

## **NEW BUSINESS**

### Proposed Adoption of Updates to the Shoreline Master Program

Planning Director Coleman presented the first read of the proposed adoption of updates to the Shoreline Master Program. He reviewed background information and the location of the shoreline jurisdiction.

Mayor Wagoner thanked Coleman for the work he has put into the updates.

## **COMMITTEE REPORTS AND REPORTS FROM OFFICERS**

### Written Reports to Council

#### Informational Items

Police Sgt. Harris – reported on the upcoming testing for Reserve Officer Miller. He also reported on a pursuit through town that ended with the apprehension of the suspect.

Fire Chief Klinger – reported on a vacancy in the resident quarters as well as upcoming testing to be held on May 14<sup>th</sup>. He also reported the replacement engine is on schedule and the storage facility at Station 2 is progressing and almost complete.

Public Works Director Freiburger – presented a late material item of a construction agreement between the City of Sedro-Woolley and the Washington State Department of Transportation regarding the Jameson Arterial Extension to SR9 Project.

Councilmember Johnson moved to authorize Public Works Director Mark A. Freiburger to execute the attached Construction Agreement GCB 2391 between the City of Sedro-Woolley and the Washington State Department of Transportation for purpose of constructing a portion of the Jameson Arterial Improvements Project on State right of way. Seconded by Councilmember Kinzer. Motion carried (7-0).

Freiburger then reported on the Jameson Arterial Improvements to include the speed limit change within the project area, the completion of a consultant selection process for support of the construction phase and a preconstruction meeting scheduled for May 11<sup>th</sup>.

City Supervisor/Attorney Berg – introduced the new City Scene magazine and noted he has received positive comments. He also updated Council on the STEM network in partnership with the School District, completion of the CGI work, a tour of Hillsvew with comments about the Housing Authority and the May 4<sup>th</sup> worksession.

Berg requested the May 4<sup>th</sup> Worksession be cancelled and to add a worksession on June 1<sup>st</sup> to the Council calendar in its place.

Finance Director Nelson – reported on the commercial sewer billing which utilizes information provided by PUD. PUD has implemented a new software program and they have been having some difficulty giving us the information needed for our billing.

Councilmember Dunn Lee – reported on attending an EMS Advisory Group meeting and will be the Council representative as the group tries to determine the best way to administer emergency services in the county.

Councilmember Kornegay – mentioned the upcoming Rotary Auction.

Councilmember Kinzer – requested an update on the upcoming refinery protests on May 13 – 15. Police Sgt. Harris gave a brief review of the role Sedro Woolley provides. Recommend to stay away.

Councilmember Owen – requested a tour of the new jail.

Councilmember Lemley – announced the upcoming Rotary Auction noting there are still some tickets available.

Councilmember Sandström – thanked the participants in the City Works Day. He noted his son thoroughly enjoyed the event. He thanked the Mayor for attending a recent conference on Main Street

Mayor Wagoner – thanked the members of the Housing Authority and noted it is well run. He also reported on the Main Street conference recently attended and announced the upcoming County track meet at Burlington High School.

Councilmember Johnson – announced the Sedro-Woolley High School production of Cinderella.

### **EXECUTIVE SESSION**

The meeting adjourned to Executive Session at 8:29 P.M. for approximately 15 minutes for the purpose of litigation under RCW 42.30.110.1(i) with no action anticipated.

The meeting reconvened at 8:49 P.M.

Councilmember Dunn Lee moved to adjourn. Seconded by All. Motion carried (7-0).

The meeting adjourned at 8:49 P.M.