
CITY OF SEDRO-WOOLLEY

Regular Meeting of the City Council
April 26, 2017 – 7:00 P.M. – Council Chambers

ROLL CALL: Present: Mayor Keith Wagoner; Councilmembers: Judith Dunn Lee (Late), Germaine Kornegay, Brenda Kinzer, Julia Johnson, 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 Sgt. Harris.

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

Pledge of Allegiance

Councilmember Lemley moved to excuse the absence of Councilmembers Owen and Dunn Lee. Seconded by Councilmember Kinzer. Motion carried (5-0).

Consent Calendar

- Approval of Agenda
- Minutes from Previous Meeting
- Finance
 - Claim Checks #185903 & 185904 in the amount of \$176.00
 - Claims Checks #185905 to 186001 plus EFT's in the amount of \$229,679.60
 - Payroll Checks #59244 to #59256 plus EFT's in the amount of \$262,971.92
- Possible Bid Award – Agreement No. 2017-PW-14 – Alexander Street Asphalt Pulverization – P&P Excavating LLC
- Possible Bid Award – Agreement No. 2017-PW-17 – Museum & Library Siding Replacement Project – 5 Star Services Inc.
- Proposed Interlocal Agreement with PUD No. 1 of Skagit County as Part of the 2017 Local Access Street Overlay/2017 Local Access Street Overlay Chip Seal Projects

Councilmember Kornegay moved to approve the consent calendar items A through F. Seconded by Councilmember Lemley. Motion carried (5-0).

Councilmember Dunn Lee arrived at 7:03.

Special Presentation – Skagit County Health Department – Population Health Trust with David Jefferson, Community Health Analyst

David Jefferson, Community Health Analyst spoke to the Council about the Population Health Trust Advisory Committee. He reviewed what the committee has accomplished since its formation in 2015. The task was to address how to improve health in Skagit County. Their mission is “Working Together to Improve Health for All”. Jefferson reviewed the community assessment process, statistical information, community health indicators, community strengths

and the opioid epidemic. He detailed what they are doing to try to reach those that are addicted and to get unused prescription medications out of circulation.

Public Comment

Dan Gerhardt – Kokanee Court, member of Skagit Housing spoke of trying to develop housing in Skagit County. He addressed the concept of co-housing communities and requested the city explore co-housing communities as part of the city code. Gerhardt referenced a co-housing community in Bellingham and the City of Bellingham's code that maintains for high standards of housing. He presented a hand out to the Mayor and Council that gives a basic definition of co-housing.

PUBLIC HEARING

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

NEW BUSINESS

Mayor Wagoner stated there was no specific topic for the upcoming worksession and questioned whether Council wished to cancel or to have a round table discussion. The Council consensus was to cancel the worksession for May 3rd.

COMMITTEE REPORTS AND REPORTS FROM OFFICERS

Police Sgt.Harris – reported on a question received from Councilmember Kornegay regarding Commercial Vehicle Inspections. He reported in the 1st Qtr. 2017, there were 51 Commercial Vehicle Inspections completed. Of those, 11 were taken out of service for various violations. He noted that there is a difficulty in stopping the semi-trucks in certain areas of town because there is no room to pull over. He also spoke on the lengthy process for training an officer to be able to do the commercial vehicle inspections and stated we are the only agency outside of the State Patrol that has a trained commercial vehicle inspector. We are making slow and steady progress.

Fire Chief Klinger – gave a report including pictures on the recent fire at 801 Metcalf Street. He stated it took 2 1/2 hours to bring it under control. There were 53 Firefighters from 5 different agencies and 17 apparatus on site as well as the city crews, Mayor Wagoner, City Supervisor/Attorney Berg and numerous police officers. He estimated approximately 350,000 gallons of water was used to fight the fire. He commended everyone involved and noted they were able to contain the fire to the one building.

Discussion was held regarding demolition plans and a possible time line.

Planning Director Coleman – reported as spring is here he will be sending letters to those that live near Brickyard Creek to remind them that it is a regulated protected area.

Public Works Director Freiburger – reported on the final clean up items being completed on the SR 9/Jameson Extension project. Preparations are being made for the contract on the Cascade Trail SR9 South project. He has also been busy completing grant requests with five completed and one more to go. The design phase for the sewer and sidewalk projects are in the works and preparations for chip seal projects are being completed.

City Supervisor/Attorney Berg – stated he found it remarkable of how the command structure worked on the fire fight, as well as the ability to get public works crew on site to divert flooding into the businesses and the community response was outstanding. He stated a lot has been going on this week, the CIAW annual retreat was held at city hall and he attended a Community Action event that focused on the issues affecting immigrant communities. Berg also brought to the attention of the Council a letter from the Iron Mark Law Group.

Finance Director Nelson – reported on hosting a training session for BIAS software in the municipal training room and the attendees and instructors were highly complementary on our facilities.

Councilmember Kornegay – reminded everyone on Community Action’s “Have a Heart Run” on Saturday, April 28th.

Councilmember Johnson – also spoke on the “Have a Heart Run” and gave kudos to the Fire Department for their great work on their firefighting efforts on the 801 Metcalf fire.

Councilmember Lemley – reported on the dedication on Nathan’s Wall at Evergreen Elementary in honor of Nathan Nakis.

Councilmember Sandström – questioned a drainage issue on Heather Lane and also asked who decides who plays on Janicki Fields.

Mayor Wagoner – stated he has received many accolades on how the city handled the fire at 801 Metcalf. He spoke of the importance of having the ladder truck and the foresight of previous council and Mayor Anderson for adding the ladder truck to the Fire Department fleet, even when it was not well received by the public. He noted that had we not had the truck the damage would have been much greater than just the one building.

With no further business the meeting was adjourned at 8:15 P.M.