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CITY OF SEDRO-WOOLLEY  
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Regular Meeting of the City Council  
January 10, 2018– 7:00 P.M. – Council Chambers

### **Call to Order**

The meeting was called to order by Mayor Pro Tem Kinzer at 7:00 P.M.

### **Pledge of Allegiance**

**ROLL CALL:** Present: Mayor Pro Tem Brenda Kinzer, Councilmembers: Judith Dunn Lee, Germaine Kornegay. Julia Johnson, Chuck Owen, Karl de Jong and Jared Couch. Staff: Recorder Brue, Finance Director Nelson, City Supervisor/Attorney Berg, Public Works Director Freiburger, Planning Director Coleman, Fire Chief Klinger and Police Chief Tucker

### **Approval of Agenda**

Councilmember de Jong moved to approve the agenda. Seconded by Councilmember Kornegay. Motion carried (7-0).

### **Consent Calendar**

- Minutes from Previous Meeting
- Finance
  - Claim Checks #187468 in the amount of \$290.00
  - Claim Checks #187469 to #187566 plus EFT's in the amount of \$173,248.59
  - Claim Checks #187567 to #187637 in the amount of \$205,841.41
  - Payroll Checks #59461 to #59470 plus EFT's in the amount of \$226,502.88
  - Payroll Checks #59471 to #59485 plus EFT's in the amount of \$364,251.07
- FEMA, Assistance to Firefighters Grant Application
- Ground Emergency Medical Transportation (GEMT) Provider Participation Agreement with Washington State Health Care Authority
- EMS Billing Services with Systems Design West, LLC
- Professional Services Agreements No. 2018-PS-01 to 2018-PS-06 for Miscellaneous On-Call Professional Services
  - 2018-PS-01 – Katy Isaksen & Associates
  - 2018-PS-02 – J. Hanson Consulting LLC
  - 2018-PS-03 – Lisser & Associates PLLC
  - 2018-PS-04 – Materials Testing & Consulting Inc.
  - 2018-PS-05 – GeoTest Services Inc.
  - 2018-PS-06 – Skagit Surveyors Inc.
- Ordinance 1893-18 – 2018 Budget Amendment #1
- Fourth Supplemental Amended Interlocal Agreement between the City, County and Port regarding SWIFT Center

- Amendment 2 to On-Call Agreement 2017-PS-04 and Task Order 2017-PS 04 to 02 with Widener & Associates including Mitigation Credit Purchase Sale Agreement with Clear Valley Environmental Farm LLC – Fruitdale Road Arterial Improvement Project
- Phase 2 Environmental Assessment at Former S-W Lumber Company Site

Councilmember de Jong moved to approve the consent agenda. Seconded by Councilmember Johnson. Motion carried (7-0).

Introduction of Special Guests and Presentations

### **Staff Reports**

Police Chief Tucker – reported that their office construction is almost complete. Officer Lowe is scheduled to go to equivalency academy on the 22<sup>nd</sup> and in the meantime he has been out with the Field Training Officer. The department still has one vacant position but the soonest academy date is in June. He also reported many of the officers are wearing black bands on their badges for Deputy McCartney from Pierce County.

Fire Chief Klinger – pointed out the year end stat report in the Council packet. He also reported the department will be seen driving around in the blue ambulance. The inverter needs to be repaired in the City ambulance.

Planning Director Coleman – reported continued work the on Parks and Recreation element of the comprehensive plan. The 2017 docket will come before Council within the next month. He also stated there are lots of projects going on and continued work on the annexation at the north end of town continues with reaching out to property owners.

Public Works Director Freiberger – reported the Engineering Staff has been busy with the first set of TIB funded project consultant selection. He pointed out a late materials request, Professional Services Agreement No. 2018-PS-11 for SR20 East Lane Widening & Sidewalk Project and noted that final selection will be done first thing in the morning. Freiberger requested permission to move ahead and award a contract subject to ratification by Council at the January 24<sup>th</sup> meeting. He stated the project needs to be under design as soon as possible for coordination with other projects.

### Professional Services Agreement No. 2018-PS-11 for SR20 East Lane Widening & Sidewalk Project

Councilmember Dunn Lee moved to authorize Public Works Director Mark Freiberger to award Contract No. 2018-PS-11 for the design phase services for the SR20 East Lane Widening and Sidewalk Project to the selected consultant with ratification to follow at the January 24, 2018 council meeting for a cost not to exceed \$79,000. Seconded by Councilmember Owen. Motion carried (7-0).

Public Works Director Freiberger reported on the annual CIPP project that is currently taking place. The process causes puffs of steam to rise that looks similar to fire smoke.

City Supervisor/Attorney Berg – announced the City is the proud owner of property located at 100 W. State St. as of today. He has also been busy working on the legislative request and the design team. The next steps for the Council will be a contract with the design team. He also reported the Public Library staff is busy working on the transition and getting ready for the consolidation on February 19<sup>th</sup>. He has been busy working on the Council transition issues. He spoke with Senator Wagoner who is busy in Olympia and sends his wishes to everyone for tonight's meeting.

Finance Director Nelson – stated the City reports financially on a calendar year and is a cash basis reporter. Per state law the expenses must be kept open until the 20<sup>th</sup> day of January. Tonight's payables were all 2017 expenditures and the next meeting will be some 2017 and some 2018. The yearend will be wrapped up by next month.

### **Councilmember and Mayor's Reports**

Councilmember Dunn Lee – requested her name be removed from nomination for Mayor.

Councilmember Kornegay – reported on attending the Eagle Festival in Marblemount and encouraged anyone interested to attend. She also announced the upcoming Denny Engberg Memorial Auction on January 27<sup>th</sup> as well as the upcoming workshop on the steelhead proposal on January 16<sup>th</sup> at the Community Center.

Councilmember Johnson – congratulated the city for being named part of the Washington State Main Street program.

City Supervisor/Attorney Berg reported on the Main Street program and how it works.

Pola Kelly – Executive Director of the Sedro-Woolley Chamber of Commerce spoke on the history of the Main Street Program.

Councilmember Owen – thanked Councilmember Dunn Lee for her consideration for the position of Mayor. He also commented on the full audience and that a lot of people will be happy to hear of the Fruitdale road repairs.

Councilmember de Jong – commented he was pleased to read about Fruitdale Road and questioned if the project will include fiber optics. He also highlighted that yesterday was National Law Enforcement Appreciation Day. A round of applause was given to the law enforcement officers in attendance. He noted that Monday is Martin Luther King Day and is not a day off but a day of service and encouraged everyone to honor that memory in a service to others.

Councilmember Couch – concurred that people will be excited about Fruitdale Road and thanked the outstanding law enforcement that do a great job here in the city. Couch announced that he will be in training beginning January 22 for two weeks and will not be at the next meeting. He

question if there was a way he could participate via conference call or Skype. Couch questioned the responsibility of the round-about at Les Schwab that has substantial chuck holes.

Mayor Pro Tem Kinzer – commented that while the city is going through transition it is all positive. We are fortunate to have Senator Wagoner elected to the Senate and representing our area. The City of Sedro-Woolley, while it's going through transition is also going through a time of unity.

Proclamations

### **Public Comments**

Manuel Reta 2432 Fieldview Dr., Ferndale -- stated he is the host at KSVR and lives in Ferndale but has always called Sedro Woolley home. He requested help in being able to do events in Sedro Woolley to highlight the Spanish heritage. He noted he started the NW Washington Hispanic Chamber of Commerce and is hoping to do a Cinco de Mayo parade with dancing horses in May and also an event at the Rodeo grounds in September. He is hoping the Council will support him in these events and the Hispanic population.

Ed Koogle – 501 Fidalgo – commented if it would be appropriate at the next scheduled election to hold an election for Mayor.

Public Hearings

Unfinished Business

### **New Business**

#### Appointment of Mayor

Councilmember Couch moved to appoint Councilmember Johnson as Mayor. Councilmember de Jong seconded. Motion carried (7-0). A round of applause was given for Mayor Johnson.

Mayor Pro Tem Kinzer administered the oath of office to newly elected Johnson. Another round of applause and standing ovation for Mayor Johnson was held.

Mayor Johnson took her seat. She thanked the council and stated she is honored by their support. She is looking forward to working with council and staff. She stated she hopes to bring honor to the city and to give the city what it needs at this time.

#### Sedro-Woolley School District No. 101's Propositions

Proposition 1, General Obligation Bonds -- \$79,500,000  
Proposition 2, Replacement Educational Programs and Operations Levy

Phillip Brockman – Superintendent of the Sedro Woolley School District addressed the Council regarding the Replacement Levy and Bond proposal coming up for vote on February 13<sup>th</sup>. He

presented a power point presentation that highlighted the core values of the school district, and needs of the bond. He also spoke on schools of distinction, class size, additional school hours and safety and technology. He reviewed the replacement levy which funds 25% of the operational budget and the proposed 79.5 mil. Bond. He then entertained questions from the Council.

Councilmembers questioned the idea of contracting for work hours locally, Evergreen School safety concerns, priority list of the bond and plans for Clear Lake School.

Brockman introduced School Board member Eric Johnson and former School Board member and Levy/Bond Chair, Tim Howland who were in the audience.

Ed Koogle – 501 Fidalgo – addressed the Council and encouraged them to vote no on supporting the levy and bond. He noted that 50% of students are on free or reduced lunch and the increase would be a hardship on many. He also expressed concern about classroom size and stated that taxes should not go up more than the cost of living.

Kathy Reim – 23262 Meadowview Ln., addressed the Council and stated she was a teacher for 30 years. She commented on the controversy about the style of Evergreen School and stated the building is not in the best interest of learning. She also stated she is proud of what was done at Central School and has absolute confidence in the School Board and community and urged to support the levy and bond.

Tim Howland – 26203 Minkler Rd. spoke of the 300,000 hours of work and 100 jobs for three years the projects listed on the bond would provide. The School Board highly promotes trying to keep the work local. He also noted that other numbers opposing the bond stated were not correct. Howland encouraged a vote yes for schools and requested City Council endorse the project.

Councilmember de Jong questioned if the City would be the only entity endorsing the bond. Howland noted that there are a lot of individuals, Skagit Democrats, and the NW Central Labor Council has all pledged support.

Councilmember de Jong moved for the City of Sedro Woolley to endorse the Sedro Woolley School District Bond, Proposition 1 in the amount of 79.5 mil., and Proposition 2 replacement Operations Levy. Seconded by Councilmember Couch. Motion carried (6-0).

#### Appointment of Mayor Pro-Tem

Councilmember Owen nominated Judith Dunn Lee as Mayor Pro Tem. Councilmember Kinzer seconded. Councilmember de Jong nominated Germaine Kornegay as Mayor Pro Tem. Councilmember Couch seconded. Mayor Johnson requested a show of hands for each candidate. The vote was tied (3-3) with Mayor Johnson breaking the tie with Germaine Kornegay named as Mayor Pro Tem.

## Organizational Matters

City Supervisor/Attorney Berg introduced the annual review of proposed committee assignments, Council vision and goals, 2018 meeting calendar and questioned a possible Council retreat.

Discussion was held regarding the committee assignments. The recommendation to hold a retreat after the new Councilmember appointed was well received by the Council. The time line for filling the vacancy and process of appointment was also reviewed.

Councilmember Dunn Lee stated she will be absent from the February 14<sup>th</sup> meeting.

Councilmember Johnson chose to review the committee assignment and a review of the vision and goals at the retreat.

### **Information Only Items**

Fire Department Monthly Incident Data

Fire Department Total Incidents 2017

Report of Contracts approved under SWMC 2.104.060

Miscellaneous Information

Good of the Order

Executive Session

### **Adjournment**

With no further business the meeting adjourned at 8:16 P.M. Councilmember Kinzer moved with Councilmember Kornegay seconding.