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

### **Call to Order**

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

### **Pledge of Allegiance**

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

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

### **Approval of Agenda**

Councilmember Couch moved to move unfinished business item L *Emergency Medical Services (EMS)* to the consent agenda. Seconded by Councilmember Dunn Lee. Motion carried (5-0).

Councilmember Dunn Lee moved to approve the agenda as amended. Councilmember Kinzer seconded. Motion carried (5-0).

### **Consent Calendar**

- Minutes from Previous Meeting (Including October 3, 2018 Study Session)
- Finance
  - Claim Checks #189267 to #189356 in the amount of \$440,474.17
  - Payroll Checks #59667 to #59677 plus EFT's in the amount of \$323,738.80
- Proposed Amendment 1 to the Interlocal Agreement with PUD No. 1 of Skagit County RE 2018 State Street Pavement and Utility Improvement Project
- Personnel Policies
- Emergency Medical Services (EMS) update and action items (*moved from Old Business*)

Councilmember Couch moved to approve the consent calendar items 1-4 including Emergency Medical Services. Seconded by Councilmember Kelley. Motion carried (5-0).

Introduction of Special Guests and Presentations

Pilot Programs and Recovery Solutions with Hilary Young from Pioneer Center North (*To be rescheduled*)

County-wide Smoking & Vaping in a Public Place Ordinance with Mel Pedrosa from the Skagit County Health Department (*moved to after Councilmember reports*).

## **Staff Reports**

Police Chief Tucker – reported on an incident at the Skagit Motel

Councilmember Kornegay arrived at 7:04.

Police Chief Tucker said he has been asked to speak at the upcoming candidate's forum on I940. He asked Council their thoughts and concerns on his speaking. The Council had no objections to his participation.

Fire Chief Klinger – reported on the volunteer fund raiser Boot the Burn dinner and auction that raised \$34,000. Proceeds will benefit the Burn Children's Recovery Foundation. Chief Klinger gave an update on the status of EMS noting they are working on a second round of interviews. The building project of the quarters for the medics is taking shape and there is one day left of pump testing at Station 2. He also reported having received a verbal response from the survey and ratings bureau. The city's rating has not changed and is staying at a 5.

Planning Director Coleman – reported the Building Department is also required to do the Washington survey and rating bureau and have been notified their rating will be the same. The Planning Department has been very busy with land use applications.

Public Works Director Freiberger – reported on ongoing projects in town to include the State Street Overlay, Fruitdale Road project and the Township /Fruitdale sidewalk. He is working on specifications for the WWTP improvement project and the pre load for the Library project. He also reported some of the Council items regarding stop signs and site distance issues are being looked at and he will have a report forthcoming.

Finance Director Merriman – reported a lot going on in the finance area with the budget and incorporating the EMS program. Other items is the Lodging Tax committee met and their recommendation will be coming before Council at the next meeting. An RFP will be published pursuing banks in the area to obtain financing for the Library project.

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

Councilmember Couch – expressed his thanks to City Supervisor/Attorney Berg, Fire Chief Klinger and Asst. Fire Chief – EMS Wagner for all their work on the EMS. He also thanked Public Works Director Freiberger for handling a concern on a project on Jones Road.

Councilmember Kornegay – announced the upcoming Community Action event Sprit of America and thanked Public Works Director Freiberger for the installation of the “dip” sign.

Councilmember Kelley – reported on a Peace Health Conference, the keynote speaker and topic. She also reported the Sedro-Woolley Clinic is now opened next to the hospital. The hallways are

named for the streets in Sedro-Woolley. Kelley announced the upcoming Halloween Parade on October 31<sup>st</sup>.

Councilmember de Jong – reported on the final installment of the Civil Discourse summit. He noted the main topic was homelessness with some good discussions.

Mayor Johnson – announced the upcoming public hearing on the budget scheduled for the October 24<sup>th</sup> Council meeting.

### County-wide Smoking & Vaping in a Public Place Ordinance with Mel Pedrosa from the Skagit County Health Department

Dannica Sessions of the Skagit County Public Health Department addressed the work on no vaping in public places. She presented background information on the ordinance progress and the need to discuss with cities and to educate the public. She gave a power point presentation that included a brief agenda, current laws on vaping devices and local options. She also addressed health concerns with vaping devices and e juice. They are requesting the same type of regulation as the smoking law. She also addressed the prevention education in schools and entertained Council questions regarding enforcement, looking at other counties for their process and second hand vape.

Mayor Johnson acknowledged Commissioner Janicki in attendance.

City Supervisor/Attorney Berg questioned if the County was planning on promulgating a model ordinance that all cities would adopt. He noted it would create harmony in the rules across the county.

Commissioner Janicki responded to Berg's question noting she had asked the same and understood that the County Health Department ordinance would apply across the county but a resolution of support or matching ordinance would provide a show of cooperation.

Proclamations

### **Public Comments**

Mayor Johnson opened the public comment up at 7:53 P.M.

Hannah Moran representing the Sedro Woolley Christmas Committee addressed the Council regarding the cities donation of \$1000 for the past three years. She noted that the committee tries to provide family fun activities, free of charge. She thanked the city for their involvement and requested consideration of a donation of \$1000 for the coming year. She also stated that Fire Chief Klinger will be this year's grand marshal.

Councilmember Kornegay moved to approve \$1000 toward the Christmas parade. Seconded by Councilmember Dunn Lee. Motion carried (4-0, Councilmembers Kelley and de Jong abstained due to their involvement with the event).

Public Hearings

## **Unfinished Business**

Emergency Medical Services (EMS) update and action items (*moved to the consent calendar*)

## **New Business**

Proposed amendments to the Development Regulations and Design Standards for Planned Residential Developments

Planning Director Coleman presented the proposed amendments to the Development Regulations and Design Standards for Planned Residential Developments (PRD). He stated the Planning Commission spent many meetings discussing the PRD in order to bring something the City Council would be interested in passing. Coleman gave a brief explanation of a PRD which is an alternate method of sub-dividing land for residential purposes. It includes a small amount of commercial within the development. He presented slides showing the comparison of a standard sub division vs. a subdivision using the PRD principles.

Council discussion ensued regarding off street parking, gross density vs. net density, density bonus and useable open space. Coleman stated the topic was brought forward as a request from the development community.

Mayor Johnson thanked Planning Director Coleman for all his work as well as the work of the Planning Commission.

## **Information Only Items**

- Fire Department Monthly Incident Data
- Building Permit and Planning Permit Review Status
- Report of Contracts approved under SWMC 2.104.060
- Misc.

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## **Adjournment**

Councilmember Dunn Lee moved to adjourn. Seconded by all. Motion carried (6-0).

The meeting adjourned at 8:24 P.M.