
CITY OF SEDRO-WOOLLEY

Council Study Session
December 5, 2018
Public Safety Training Room

Mayor Johnson called the joint meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. with the Flag Salute.

Roll Call: Mayor Julia Johnson, Councilmembers: Judith Dunn Lee, Germaine Kornegay, Brenda Kinzer, Pola Kelley, Chuck Owen (Absent), Karl de Jong and Jared Couch (Absent). Staff: City Supervisor/Attorney Berg, Finance Director Merriman, Public Works Director Freiberger and Wastewater Treatment Supervisor Allen. Special Guests: Senator Keith Wagoner, Representative Carolyn Eslick and Representative-Elect Robert Sutherland.

2019 Legislative Session Preview with Senator Wagoner, Representative Eslick and Representative-elect Sutherland

- Mayor Johnson welcomed the 39th legislative district elected officials and called upon Senator Wagoner. The three legislators introduced themselves and discussed the upcoming session. Questions and answers followed with Mayor Johnson beginning by asking about the primary topics for next session. Councilmember Kornegay asked about funding for the Memorial Park spray park. Councilmember Kinzer asked about plans to fund additional drug treatment facilities. Councilmember Kelley asked about the federal scenic byways bill and asked for support. She also asked about Highway 522 and whether it is one of the most dangerous highways in America. Councilmember de Jong asked about a possible effort underway to surplus state owned properties for housing and what effect that effort might have in Sedro-Woolley. A discussion on homelessness followed. Councilmember de Jong also asked for support for additional funding for the basic law enforcement academy.

Sedro-Woolley's 2019 Legislative Priorities

- Mayor Johnson moved the meeting forward to the next agenda item: 2019 legislative priorities and also introduced Al Aldrich and AJ Dotzauer from Strategies 360. AJ Dotzauer provided a lay-of-the-land overview of the 2019 session. Al Aldrich addressed the city's draft legislative agenda. Councilmember Kelley asked about predictive scheduling/overtime mandates on small businesses. She also asked for continued support of the Washington Tourism Alliance. Councilmember de Jong asked about the Jones/John Liner/Trail Road corridor project and specifically the best strategy to fund the full project. Senator Wagoner asked about specific details of the corridor project. Public Works Director Freiberger provided a detailed description of the planned project.

There being no further business before the council, the meeting was adjourned at 8:17 p.m.