
CITY OF SEDRO-WOOLLEY

Council Study Session
February 6, 2019
Public Safety Training Room

Mayor Johnson called the meeting to order at 7:00 P.M. with the Flag Salute.

Roll Call: Mayor Julia Johnson, Councilmembers: Germaine Kornegay, Judith Dunn Lee, Brenda Kinzer, Chuck Owen and Karl de Jong. Absent: Councilmembers Jared Couch and Pola Kelley. Staff: City Supervisor/Attorney Berg and Finance Director Merriman and Public Works Director Merriman. Guests: Jed Holmes, Bill Blake and Kristie Carpenter from the Skagit Conservation District. Also present citizen, Phil Murray.

Conservation District Work Update

- Mayor Johnson introduced the guests from the Skagit Conservation District and called upon them to provide a conservation district update. Kristie Carpenter reported on the conservation district's activities both for the broader community and specifically for the City of Sedro-Woolley.

Presentation of 2018 4th Quarter Financial Report

- Finance Director Merriman presented the 2018 4th quarter financial report and entertained questions. Councilmember Kornegay asked about the expenditure bump in the central services budget. City Supervisor/Attorney Berg clarified that I represented a replacement transmission in a 2006 Ford Escape.

Public Works Transportation Project Update

- Public Works Director Freiberger updated the council on the status of the legislative requests pending for the city's transportation projects. Freiberger shared updated information sheets on two projects: Jones/John Liner/BNSF Undercrossing (design phase cost \$.6M) and the Jones/John Liner/Trail Road Corridor Projects (total cost \$30.6M).

City Issued Cell Phones for Council Members – Discussion

- Mayor Johnson then introduced the city issued cell phones for the council member's agenda item. The request was made from Councilmember de Jong. Discussion followed and the consensus of the council was that a policy allowing city-issued phones for council members be considered at a future meeting

Councilmember Dunn Lee moved to request a policy be prepared and brought to the council for consideration. Seconded by Councilmember Kornegay. Motion carried (5-0).

Council Reports

- Councilmember Kinzer questioned the broken water line at Metcalf and Ferry Streets.
- Councilmember de Jong thanked the public works crews for the snow removal work. The consensus of the council was to express gratitude to the crews. de Jong also reported that the Senior Center is a warming center during cold weather events.

Without objection, the Mayor adjourned the meeting at 8:48 P.M.