

**CITY OF SULTAN COUNCIL MEETING – February 13, 2020****REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING**

Mayor Wiita called the regular meeting of the Sultan City Council to order in the Sultan Community Center at 7:00 p.m. Councilmembers present: McCarty, Aldrich, Walker, Vaughn, Neigel, and Beeler. Absence for Councilmember Sivewright approved at the January 23, 2020 council meeting.

Staff Present: Finance Director Koenig, Planning Director Galuska, City Attorney Evans-Graber, and City Clerk Pevey.

**CHANGES/ADDITIONS TO THE AGENDA**

Mayor Wiita added an executive session at the end of the meeting for 10 minutes to discuss personnel.

**PUBLIC COMMENT**

Jim Flower, Rice Road: Raised concern over new RV Park on Rice Road and drainage issues it has created for the road and his property.

**COUNCILMEMBER COMMENTS**

Beeler: Acknowledged Citizen Flower's concerns and confirmed Flower's recommendation to have city take action on the drainage issues.

Vaughn: Acknowledged Citizen Flower's concerns and in agreement with CM Beeler.

Walker: Thanked everyone that helped with recent flooding event. Also acknowledged Citizen Flower's concerns and the city's responsibility to address the situation.

Aldrich: Thanked the many staff and volunteers who assisted in the recent flooding event. Returned from ACW Action Days and feels hopeful that the lobbying efforts were heard.

McCarty: Seeking students in the valley who might qualify for the upcoming AWC Center for Quality Communities Scholarship.

**PRESENTATIONS**

Mayor Wiita presented Peggy Tuttle with a certificate of Recognition for organizing the "Fix US 2" bus trip to Olympia on February 5, 2020 to lobby state lawmakers.

**MAYOR COMMENTS**

Mayor Wiita confirmed the specific funding request on the "FixUS2" bus trip was \$1 Million Dollars toward a corridor study from Hwy 9 to Stevens Pass. Found out since the trip that WSDOT is only supportive of the request and is bumping it up to \$1.4 Million Dollars. Mayor Wiita will be joining other Mayors from the Sky Valley along with County Councilmember Sam Low the first week of March in Washington DC to attend the annual legislative days to meet with our federal delegation and share the message. Thanked staff and volunteers for the flood response and everything worked very efficiently and effectively. Discussed topics set for the Council Retreat a week from Saturday. Recent leadership meeting had good conversations around emergency response and emergency management. Acknowledged Citizen Flowers and is aware staff has viewed the site and is having conversations to properly address the issue.

**CITY ADMINISTRATOR COMMENTS**

City Planner Andy Galuska filling in for Administrator Ibershof while on vacation. Acknowledged the recent mudslide activity and advised the city Geotech engineer has been out to the site to assess the situation. Determined no threat to safety at this time and is working with developer to ensure drainage system is working properly to ensure no further threat to the hillside.

**CONSENT AGENDA:** The items are incorporated into the consent agenda and approved by a single motion of the Council to include 1) Minutes of the January 23, 2020 Council Meeting, and 2) Voucher Approval and payroll through January 24, 2020. On a motion by Councilmember Walker, seconded by Councilmember Aldrich, the consent agenda was approved; all ayes.

**ACTION ITEMS**

**AB20-13: Resolution 20-02 – Emergency Weather Declaration**

On a motion by Councilmember Walker, seconded by Councilmember Aldrich, to confirm the Mayor's decision to enact Resolution 20-02 Declaring an Emergency Weather Situation; all ayes.

**AB 20-11: Zachor Thomas Contract Addendum**

On a motion by Councilmember Walker, seconded by Councilmember Aldrich, to authorize the Mayor to sign the Zachor Thomas Contract addendum to extend the contract thru December 31, 2022; all ayes.

**AB 20-12: Public Works HVAC System Replacement**

On a motion by Councilmember Neigel, seconded by Councilmember Walker, to authorize the City to purchase a replacement HVAC unit with lowest responsive bidder, Johnson Mechanical for \$15,084.51; all ayes.

**AB20-14: Purchase Card System**

On a motion by Councilmember Walker, seconded by Councilmember Vaughn, to authorize the Mayor to enroll the City in the WSCA-NASPO Purchase Card Program (through US Bank for the procurement cards); all ayes.

**EXECUTIVE SESSION:**

**RCW 42.30.110(1)(g) – Personnel Discussion (10 minutes)**

On a motion by Councilmember Walker, second by Councilmember Vaughn, to go into executive session at approximately 7:40 pm; all ayes. On a motion by Councilmember Walker, second by Councilmember Aldrich to end executive session at approximately 7:50 pm; all ayes.

**ADJOURNMENT**

On a motion by Councilmember Aldrich, seconded by Councilmember Walker, the council meeting was adjourned at approximately 7:50 pm; all ayes.

  
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Russell Wiita, Mayor

  
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Tami J. Pevey, City Clerk