

**Study Session Minutes  
Selah City Council  
July 23, 2013  
6:00pm**

**Mayor Gawlik opened the Study Session. He welcomed Public Works Director Henne and invited him to speak.**

**Public Works Director Henne stated that this is a continuation of the prior study session and introduced Brian Cochrane from the Regional Stormwater Management Program.**

**Mr. Cochrane gave a PowerPoint presentation on the regional stormwater program. The presentation started with a brief history of what led to the Clean Water Act, regionalization study and permit information costs, monitoring, and public outreach. A brief discussion followed.**

**Mayor Gawlik thanked them for their time. The Study Session ended at 6:26pm.**

City of Selah  
Council Minutes  
July 23, 2013

Regular Meeting  
Selah Council Chambers  
115 West Naches Avenue  
Selah, WA 98942

A. Call to Order Mayor Gawlik called the meeting to order at 6:30pm.

B. Roll Call

Members Present: Paul Overby; John Tierney; Dave Smeback; Allen Schmid; Carl Torkelson

Members Excused: Keith Larson; Brooke Finch

Staff Present: David Kelly, City Administrator; Robert Noe, City Attorney; Dale Novobielski, Clerk/Treasurer; Gary Hanna, Deputy Fire Chief; Rick Hayes, Police Chief; Joe Henne, Public Works Director; Dennis Davison, Community Planner; Monica Lake, Executive Assistant

C. Pledge of Allegiance

Police Chief Hayes led the Pledge of Allegiance.

D. Agenda Changes **None**

E. Public Appearances/Introductions/ Presentations **None**

F. Getting To Know Our Businesses

1. Dr. Tyrone Rodriguez, Selah Smiles Dental

Layne Hanson, CFO, Selah Smiles Dental, approached the podium and addressed the Council. He stated that Dr. Rodriguez was in surgery and he was here on his behalf. He talked about Dr. Rodriguez' background, noting that he was the first board certified pediatric dentist in Yakima County. He said that Dr. Rodriguez specializes in cleft palate surgery and has been on missions to various locations around the globe. He commented that the expansion to Selah has been the easiest of those he has done in western Washington.

Mayor Gawlik remarked that there was a high level of enthusiasm in the staff.

Mr. Hanson said that it is great to become part of a community like Selah; they look forward to doing second half of their building remodel in 2014 and continue to be available to the community. He noted that Dr. Rodriguez is the only pediatric dentist in Selah, and listed some of the services offered.

Mayor Gawlik thanked him for his time.

G. Communications

1. Oral

Mayor Gawlik opened the meeting.

Kevin Impson approached the podium and addressed the Council. He expressed his concern regarding the conditions on 4<sup>th</sup> Street during the swim meet championship due to the increase in traffic. He commented that Public Works Director Henne told him prior to the meeting that they would be dropping off a barricade, but no one had contacted him about this.

Police Chief Hayes responded that he left a message on his cell phone immediately after the staff meeting Monday morning.

Mr. Impson said that he did not receive the message. He expressed his appreciation of the City's efforts in this matter. He commented that it can be difficult for drivers when people violate the 100 foot rule with regard to stop signs, as it can make it impossible to maneuver around them safely without hitting parked vehicles.

Mayor Gawlik remarked that the Police Department will have frequent patrols through the area and will take care of whatever problems may arise.

Seeing no one else rise to speak, Mayor Gawlik then closed the meeting.

2. Written

- a. Letter from the Department of Ecology re: the City of Selah Wastewater Treatment Plant receiving the 2012 "Wastewater Treatment Plant Outstanding Performance" award

Mayor Gawlik stated that he received a letter from the Department of Ecology yesterday notifying him that the Wastewater Treatment Plant has received 2012 "Wastewater Treatment Plant Outstanding Performance" award. He noted that this is the sixth year in a row that they have received this award.

- b. Yakima Training Center 2013: Japanese Home Visits September 15, 2013

Mayor Gawlik said that we will have a Japanese Ground Self Defense Force in our area again this September, and the Training Center is looking for host families for home visits on September 15<sup>th</sup>. He noted that applications are available for interested parties.

H. Proclamations/Announcements **None**

I. Consent Agenda

Executive Assistant Lake read the Consent Agenda.

All items listed with an asterisk (\*) were considered as part of the Consent Agenda.

- \* 1. Approval of Minutes: July 9, 2013 Study Session & Council Meeting
- \* 2. Approval of Claims & Payroll:

Payroll Checks Nos. 76286 – 76435 for a total of \$195,832.72  
 Claim Checks Nos. 62273 – 62375 for a total of \$185,315.03  
 Claim Checks Nos. 62376 – 62395 for a total of \$ 358.17  
 Claim Checks Nos. 62396 – 92472 for a total of \$223,168.33

**Council Member Tierney moved, and Council Member Schmid seconded, to approve the Consent Agenda as read. By voice vote, approval of the Consent Agenda was unanimous.**

**J. Public Hearings**

- 1. Public Hearing on the proposed amendments to Chapter 6.74 of the Selah Municipal Code to address longboards and other issues

City Administrator Kelly addressed J – 1. He briefly reviewed the proposed changes, such as fines for offenses, adding longboards to the Ordinance, rules for operating at night, and following the rules of the road.

Mayor Gawlik wondered about the steps prior to confiscation.

Police Chief Hayes responded that an individual is issued a warning, followed by fines, then confiscation if necessary.

Mayor Gawlik asked City Attorney Noe if there were any problems regarding the confiscation of boards.

City Attorney Noe replied that it was outlined in the original Ordinance, not added as part of the proposed amendment.

Mayor Gawlik wondered if there would be a problem in regards to the statute.

City Attorney Noe responded that a person has to be found guilty of the infraction three or more times to forfeit a board, and that the person is entitled to a hearing before the Municipal Court Judge. He remarked that the revision has made the process more lenient.

Mayor Gawlik opened the hearing.

Clerk/Treasurer Novobielski wondered how the longboarders would activate brake lights on their boards.

City Administrator Kelly remarked that they need taillights, not brake lights, while operating at night.

Seeing no one else rise to speak, Mayor Gawlik closed the hearing.

K. New Business **None**

L. Old Business **None**

M. Resolutions **None**

N. Ordinances

1. Ordinance Amending Ordinance No. 1910 regarding the 2013 Salary Schedule for Management, Confidential, and Unrepresented Employees

Clerk/Treasurer Novobielski addressed N – 1. He stated that Mayor Gawlik has completed a one year review of the City Administrator, and in accordance with the agreement has authorized a five percent increase. He remarked that the City is required to modify the salary via an Ordinance. He briefly reviewed the fiscal impact, noting that biggest impact will be to the General Fund.

**Council Member Tierney moved, and Council Member Schmid seconded, to approve the Ordinance Amending Ordinance No. 1910 regarding the 2013 Salary Schedule for Management, Confidential, and Unrepresented Employees. Roll was called: Council Member Overby – yes; Council Member Tierney – yes; Council Member Smeback – yes; Council Member Schmid – yes; Council Member Torkelson – yes. By voice vote, approval was unanimous.**

2. Ordinance Amending Ordinance No. 1909 regarding the 2013 Salary Schedule for Management, Confidential, and Unrepresented Employees

City Administrator Kelly addressed N – 2. He reminded Council that they discussed this matter during an Executive Session at the previous Council meeting, noting that both positions under discussion been hourly for a long time while performing in a managerial and supervisory capacity. He went on to say that he recommends making the two positions exempt, as well as fixing the wage discrepancy for each position, since Selah is currently below what comparable cities are paying. He briefly reviewed the funding sources.

Mayor Gawlik remarked that there is institutional knowledge and dedication wrapped up in these two individuals; he has seen them during their off-time hours making sure the systems are working properly and that no needs or problems have arisen. He noted that they have been doing this for years and not putting in for overtime.

**Council Member Smeback moved, and Council Member Torkelson seconded, to approve the Ordinance Amending Ordinance No. 1909 regarding the 2013 Salary Schedule for Management, Confidential, and Unrepresented Employees. Roll was called: Council Member Overby – yes; Council Member Tierney – yes; Council Member Smeback – yes; Council Member Schmid –yes; Council Member Torkelson – yes. By voice vote, approval was unanimous.**

3. Ordinance of the City of Selah, Washington, amending Chapter 1.02 of the Selah Municipal Code, Seal, by changing the title and adding a new section 1.02.020 entitled, Logo

City Administrator Kelly addressed N – 3. He said that this is a housekeeping item regarding the Selah apple logo, which has never been formally adopted as the City's logo. He noted that the Economic Development & Beautification Committee is recommending that the City officially adopt the Selah apple graphic as its logo.

**Council Member Schmid moved, and Council Member Tierney seconded, to approve the Ordinance of the City of Selah, Washington, amending Chapter 1.02 of the Selah Municipal Code, Seal, by changing the title and adding a new section 1.02.020 entitled, Logo. Roll was called: Council Member Overby – yes; Council Member Tierney – yes; Council Member Smeback – yes; Council Member Schmid –yes; Council Member Torkelson – yes. By voice vote, approval was unanimous.**

4. Ordinance of the City of Selah, Washington, amending Chapter 6.74 of the Selah Municipal Code, Skateboards, Roller-Skates, Foot Scooters, Electric Motorized Foot Scooters, Gas Powered Motorized Scooters, and Motorized Scooter to address longboards and other issues

City Administrator Kelly addressed N – 4. He said that this is an opportunity for Council to look at the comments made earlier and consider whether to move forward with the proposed Ordinance.

Council Member Schmid commented that he feels it is too restrictive.

**Council Member Smeback moved, and Council Member Overby seconded, to approve the Ordinance of the City of Selah, Washington, amending Chapter 6.74 of the Selah Municipal Code, Skateboards, Roller-Skates, Foot Scooters, Electric Motorized Foot Scooters, Gas Powered Motorized Scooters, and Motorized Scooter to address longboards and other issues. Roll was called: Council Member Overby – yes; Council Member Tierney – yes; Council Member Smeback – yes; Council Member Schmid – no; Council Member Torkelson – yes. Motion passed with 4 voting yes and 1 voting no.**

O. Communications

1. Oral

Mayor Gawlik opened the meeting. Seeing no one rise to speak, he then closed the meeting.

P. Reports/Announcements

1. Mayor

Mayor Gawlik extended his thanks to everyone for their hard work.

2. Council Members

Council Member Tierney asked about the controlled burn on the island.

Deputy Fire Chief Hanna replied that they are monitoring the fire and letting it burn out, as it is too dangerous for a crew to be onsite fighting it.

Mayor Gawlik commended the Selah Fire Department and those who responded as part of the mutual aid agreement for their efforts on the Selah gap fire, saying that their organization and ability to work together prevented the fire from spreading over the top and threatening residents on Lookout Point.

Council Member Torkelson had no report.

Council Member Smeback had no report.

Council Member Overby wondered what happened to the Civic Center murals.

City Administrator Kelly responded that they were removed as part of the reroof project.

Mayor Gawlik commented that they are looking at the expenses involved in having them refurbished. He noted that there have been a number of calls from citizens requesting that the murals be fixed.

Council Member Overby remarked that it would be nice to find a long-term solution to protect the murals.

Council Member Schmid said that National Night Out will be held at Wixson Park on August 6<sup>th</sup>.

Police Chief Hayes commented that there will be a motorcycle club there, a car to smash, a jaws of life demonstration put on by the Fire Department, Selah's Smiles will have a booth, search & rescue will be there, and that he is trying to get something from the Training Center as well.

Council Member Schmid stated that GYGSA and the Parks & Recreation Department hosted the Sports Commission luncheon at Carlon Park today. He noted that they had forty Upper Valley people in attendance. He gave a brief summary of the Selah Parks & Recreation Service Area (SPRSA) Board meeting held on Monday, saying that they are excited with the pool operations this year.

3. Boards **None**

4. Departmental

Deputy Fire Chief Hanna had no report.

Clerk/Treasurer Novobielski had no report, but said that he will have information to share once he closes the books for July.

Public Works Director Henne expressed his thanks to Council for listening to the stormwater presentation. He remarked that the Selah Dolphins are holding their big swim meet this weekend at the pool, and the crew has been working on prep work for the event.

Mayor Gawlik said that he appreciates the crew repairing the damage caused by last weekend's burglary of the pool office.

Council Member Tierney asked if there was a monitoring camera in the area.

Police Chief Hayes responded that there is a graffiti camera but not one specifically at the pool office. He declined to state where the camera is located for security reasons.

City Administrator Kelly commented that they are looking at ways to prevent future occurrences.

City Attorney Noe had no report.

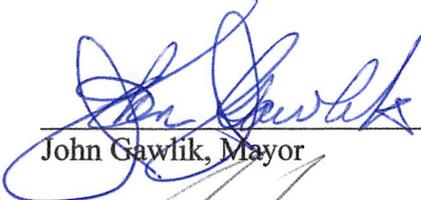
City Administrator Kelly had no report.

Q. Executive Session **NONE**

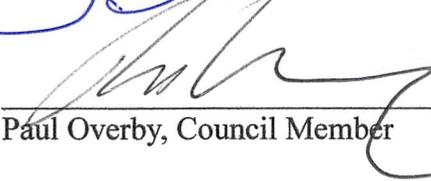
R. Adjournment

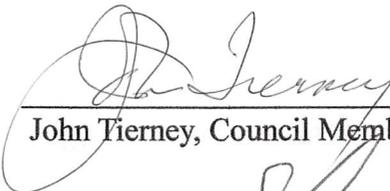
**Council Member Overby moved, and Council Member Smeback seconded, that the meeting be adjourned. Motion passed with 3 yes votes and 2 no votes.**

The meeting adjourned at 7:09pm.

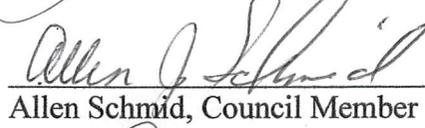
  
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John Gawlik, Mayor

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Keith Larson, Council Member

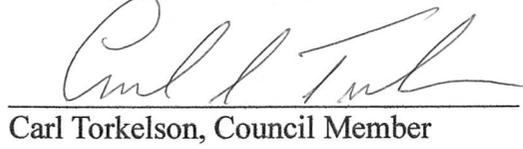
  
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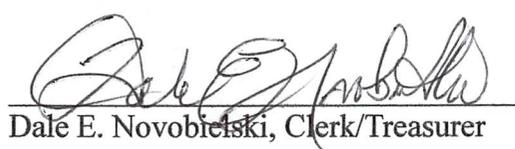
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Allen Schmid, Council Member

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Brooke Finch, Council Member

  
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Carl Torkelson, Council Member

ATTEST:

  
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Dale E. Novobietzki, Clerk/Treasurer