7:00 p.m.

I. Call to Order

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Mayor Weiser called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

II. Pledge of Allegiance

The Boy Scouts present led the assembly in the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

III. Roll Call

A voice roll call of councilmembers was conducted. Attendance was as follows:

Councilmembers Present:
Dave Weiser, Mayor
Mike Leighan, Mayor Pro Tem
NormaJean Dierck
Donna Pedersen
John Soriano
Shirley Bartholomew

Administrative Staff Present:
Ralph Krusey, Police Commander
Sandy Langdon, Finance Director
Mary Swenson, Chief Administrative Officer
Grant Weed, City Attorney
Ken Winckler, Public Works Director
Roberta Stevens, Recording Secretary

Jim Brennick and Suzanne Smith were excused.

IV. Discussion Items.

A. Human Services Funding

Councilmember Pedersen asked about Evergreen Gleaning's 501C3 designation. The manager, Alice Thomas, told Mayor Weiser that they didn't have that kind of organization. Councilmember Pedersen asked how many members this organization served; Mayor Weiser said about 129-150 members were served per week.

Councilmember Leighan asked, what are members and where does the food come from? Mayor Weiser said that they pay \$35 per family membership a month; the donations are gleaned from the fields, and some are received from grocery stores in the area. They divide that up among their members who can go in and pick up what you need. The balance left over if it is spoiled it is given to two farmers for cattle feed, if not spoiled they give 30-50% of the food away to non-members. Councilmember Leighan said they sound more like a coop than a food bank, and he doesn't support food going out of the City of Marysville.

Councilmember Bartholomew said she shares Councilmember Leighan's concern and asked the following: why is there a membership requirement and what is the prerequisite for being a member? The Mayor responded that there is no race, religion, or gender restrictions. The State statute requires Evergreen Gleaning to register with them. The Food Bank tries to keep records of where people live so that services aren't duplicated by various agencies.

Councilmember Pedersen said with the local economy being what it is and the Boeing layoffs, she can't support a group that requires paying for membership. She feels better handing that money to the Food Bank, if the Evergreen Gleaning members really need food, they should go to the food bank.

Councilmember Dierck asked what the 501C3 certificate looked like and what does it mean? Mayor Weiser said the one that Evergreen Gleaning sent was not the 501C3 certificate. Grant Weed said that a non-profit status is Federal, the other is State. They are separate; a 501C3 enables those who make contributions to take it off as a charitable contribution on their income taxes. Mr. Weed doesn't think it has been a requirement in the past. Councilmember Dierck said that at the committee meeting Ms. Thomas gave a statement that poverty level and low income people feel that they are earning their goods by paying a membership, rather than having a free hand-out. organization also delivers food to a few low income seniors. Mr. Weed said if the City wants to confirm that a firm has a non-profit status, they need to see a certificate of non-profit corporation issued by the State. Councilmember Pedersen said this is a new group that she hasn't heard of before and asked how they found out about the funding. Ms. Swenson said the City placed an ad in the newspaper when they were getting ready to accept applications.

Mayor Weiser will get whatever information that they provide us and it will be in packets next meeting.

B. Cedarcrest Pump Motor Replacement (Action to be Taken)

Ken Winckler said that the last pumps were purchased at Pumptech and they turn out to be the only company in Washington that sells the type of pump needed. They need to replace the broken one with a like pump due to service requirements.

Councilmember Bartholomew asked if other similar pumps would work because she is reluctant to go to a sole source. Ms. Swenson said that in an emergency such as this the City can go to a sole source. Mr. Winckler said they have to have the same type of pump, there are three in tandem, and he is afraid that a different type of pump will not be compatible.

Councilmember Soriano asked with this motor down, are the other two running at higher rate than normal level? Mr. Winckler said no, but it is accelerating the wear on the other two.

Mr. Weed said that the City needed to write a resolution within two weeks to enter written findings to present and support this emergency purchase. Ms. Swenson said that if the Council takes action tonight, we can order the pump now and vote on the resolution at the next meeting.

MOTION Dierck moved and Soriano seconded the motion to authorize purchase of the pump on an emergency basis from Pumptech. Councilmember Pedersen asked who is making the decisions as to the emergency. Ms. Swenson said that at the staff meeting it was discussed. Mr. Weed said if we waited until the next meeting the Council could vote on it and do the resolution at the same time. Ms. Swenson said that the internal process regarding using a sole source, takes a great deal of paperwork to make certain that an emergency exists. **MOTION** passed 4-1 with Pedersen voting against.

V. Other Items Scheduled for October 22, 2001 Meeting

- A. Approval of Minutes.
 - 1. October 8, 2001 City Council Meeting
 - 2. October 15, 2001 City Council Work Session
- B. Approval of October 22, 2001 Claims.
- C. Public Works Trust Fund Pre-Construction Loan for the Wastewater Treatment Plant.

No questions

VI. Bid Review

A. Police Motorcycles

Councilmember Pedersen said she thought we had decided to purchase not lease motorcycles. Ms. Swenson said that they did further research to see if we could piggyback off another city, and found out about the lease program costing \$500 a year per motorcycle. Police staff was sent to Oregon to check into it. Chief Carden said that lease encumbering needed to be checked in case of something going wrong. Councilmember Pedersen asked what the transferring fee was for each motorcycle per year; Ms. Langdon said it was \$700. Councilmember Soriano asked about the maintenance in item 8; Chief Carden said Skagit Harley-Davidson will do the maintenance. There is no limitation of hours and mileage. Chief Carden said that the squad would be ready to go when the motorcycles arrive.

VII. Information Items.

A. Mayor's Business

B. Staff Business

Mr. Winckler said they did not have opportunity to put 152nd St.,12" water main in tonight's packet because the bids weren't opened until after the packets were done, but would like to bring it to council Monday night and would like to the Council to act on it. The City Engineer estimate was just under \$100,000 and several bids were received in the \$60,000-\$70,000 range.

Chief Carden apologized for being unavoidably detained in the air and missing the Saturday budget meeting.

Councilmember Bartholomew asked if the 12" main at 152nd St. was in the County? Mr. Winckler said no, and it was not on the hillside area, so they shouldn't have a problem.

C. Call on Councilmembers

"Lead the Way to Excellence" pins were passed out by Councilmember Leighan to the Boy Scouts present.

Councilmember Pedersen asked the Mayor if a check mark couldn't be put next to each instance of the Executive Session listings indicating how many litigation, personnel items or real estate the Council would be dealing with. The Mayor said that could be done, but there might be changes between the time the Council gets their packets and the actual meeting.

D. Change Order Update for Cedarcrest Golf Course.No questions.

Councilmember Dierck said that one of the things she asked about at the work shop, was a written Plan B if I-747 passes, and when Ms. Swenson would have it completed. Ms. Swenson said that she was meeting with department directors and may have something for the Council next week. Something will be prepared by the following Monday if not next Monday.

Councilmember Leighan asked if the staff will present that, or should the Council look at that as they are going through the budget. Ms. Swenson said the staff would prepare it.

Councilmember Bartholomew asked Mr. Weed what would happen if we go ahead and adopt a budget on November 1 with a 6% increase, and the voters approve I-747 on November 6? Ms. Swenson said the public hearing will be on November 13, so there shouldn't be a conflict. Mr. Weed said the initiative will affect all entities, no matter what is adopted, Council will need to go back and amend it so that it conforms to the State law.

Meeting adjourned at 7:40 p.m.

Accepted this 22nd day of October 2001

Mayor

City Clerk

Recording Secretary