

KELSO CITY COUNCIL
6:00 P.M.

January 20, 2015
REGULAR MEETING

Pastor Russ Jorgenson, Kelso Assembly of God Church, gave the invocation. Mayor David Futcher led the flag salute. The Regular Meeting of the Kelso City Council was called to order by Mayor David Futcher. Councilmembers in attendance were: Todd McDaniel, Rick Roberson, David Futcher, Gary Schimmel, and Gary Archer. Councilmembers Dan Myers and Jared Franklin were absent.

Minutes: Upon motion by Councilmember Schimmel, seconded by Councilmember Roberson, 'Approve the Minutes of the 1/06/15 Regular Meeting,' motion carried, all voting yes.

PRESENTATIONS:

2014 Annual Library Report: Library Manager Cindy Donaldson provided a presentation regarding the activities, events, partnerships, and patron statistics for the last year.

Online Billing and Permitting: Jayson Rogen of Compass Lane Inc. provided a preview of the City of Kelso Online Utility Billing/Payment Site.

PUBLIC HEARING:

Comprehensive Plan Update: Mayor Futcher opened the public hearing at 6:18 p.m. Citizens who spoke from the audience were as follows:

- Curtis Hart, 115 Williams Ave., Kelso
- Chris Bornstedt, 117 N. Maple St., Kelso
- Brent Blackburn, 122 Gassman, Castle Rock
- Adam St. Germain. 99 Stardust Lane, Kelso
- Chris Rietz, 306 Holcomb Rd., Kelso
- Scott Woodington, 131 Jack Rabbit Rd., Woodland
- Matt Nooner 116 Williams Ave, Kelso
- Jordan Willis, Rodman Realty, Inc.

There being no further comments from the public, Mayor Futcher closed the public hearing at 6:39 p.m.

CONSENT AGENDA:

1. **Appointment:** Planning Commission Position No. 3, Daniel Graves
2. **Auditing of Accounts:** \$ 1,464,950.43

Upon motion by Councilmember Schimmel, seconded by Councilmember Archer, 'Approve the Consent Agenda and the Auditing of Accounts in the amount of \$1,464,950.43,' motion carried, all voting yes.

CITIZEN BUSINESS:

Roger Williams, 2492 Kingfisher Lane, spoke about synchronizing the traffic lights on Allen Street.

Chris Bornstedt, 117 N. Maple St., spoke about solicitors in his neighborhood.

Nancy Nazareth, 602 Academy St., spoke about people driving the wrong way on a one way road near her home.

At 6:50 p.m., the Council adjourned into a 3 minute recess. At 6:53 p.m., Council reconvened into regular session.

COUNCIL BUSINESS:

Budget Discussion: City Manager Taylor commented that staff is requesting that the civil engineer position that was recently approved by the Council in the 2015 budget be changed to a higher classification at the senior engineer level. He commented that the maximum difference in the pay range is 10 percent. Upon motion by Councilmember McDaniel, seconded by Councilmember Roberson, 'Authorize the change in the 2015 budget,' motion carried, all voting yes.

MOTION ITEMS:

Resolution No. 15-1132 – Emergency Work, Mill Street Sewer Main Repair: The Deputy Clerk read the proposed resolution by title only. Upon motion by Councilmember Schimmel, seconded by Councilmember Roberson, 'Pass Resolution No. 15-1132, 'A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY OF KELSO FINDING THE SEWER LINE REPAIR ON MILL STREET TO BE A SPECIFIC EMERGENCY AND APPROVES CONTRACT FOR EMERGENCY REPAIR WORK WITHOUT FORMAL BIDDING.' Motion passed, all voting yes.

MANAGER'S REPORT:

Steve Taylor: 1) Commented that a lease agreement with the South Kelso Neighborhood Association will be brought to the next regular council meeting. 2) Announced that the Department of Commerce and the Planning Association of Washington will be providing a short course for local planning.

COUNCIL REPORTS:

Gary Archer: 1) Provided a brief report on the last park board meeting. 2) Commented that the Citizens Police Academy will soon be taking applications.

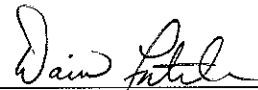
Gary Schimmel: No report.

Rick Roberson: 1) Commented that the Citizens Police Academy is time well spent. 2) Spoke about revisiting the idea of requesting lights to be installed at the crosswalk on S. 8th and Allen St. 3) Spoke about the grand opening event he attended for the new Regal Cinema 12-Screen Theatre at the Three Rivers Mall.

Todd McDaniel: No report.

David Futcher: 1) He commented that he attended the grand opening for the new theatre. 2) Reported on the Mayors Exchange event held by the Association of Washington Cities he recently attended.

There being no further business, Mayor Futcher adjourned the meeting at 7:03 p.m.



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