

Chaplain Steve White, Kelso Police Department, gave the invocation. Mayor David Futcher led the flag salute. The Regular Meeting of the Kelso City Council was called to order by Mayor Futcher. Councilmembers in attendance were: Futcher, Myers, Karnofski, Roberson, McDaniel, and Slater.

Minutes: Upon motion by Councilmember Slater, seconded by Councilmember Myers, 'Approve the minutes of the 4/15/08 Regular Meeting and the 4/22/08 Special Meeting,' motion carried, all voting yes.

APPOINTMENT:

With Council's consensus, Mayor Futcher appointed Terry Reams to the Highlander Festival Commission.

PROCLAMATIONS:

Mayor Futcher read a proclamation declaring May, 2008, as **Mental Health Month**. Eric Yakovich, a representative of Cowlitz County Guidance Association and Lower Columbia Mental Health Center accepted the proclamation and spoke about their goals to reduce the stigma that often accompanies mental health problems. Everyone is invited to be a part of the Mental Health Awareness Walk on Saturday, May 17th, from 1:00 p.m. to 3:00 p.m. at Lake Sacajawea.

Mayor Futcher read a proclamation declaring May 11, 2008, to May 17, 2008, as **Police Week** in the City of Kelso. In an effort to publicly salute the service of law enforcement officers in our community and in communities across the nation, and in honor of fallen officers and their families, Mayor Futcher directed all flags to be flown at half staff on Thursday, May 15, 2008, Peace Officers' Memorial Day. Chief Wayne Nelson accepted the proclamation and spoke about some of the dangers officers face in Kelso every day. Chaplain Steve White spoke about some officers who were recently killed in the line of duty. Chief Nelson introduced and swore in Philip Weismiller, Kelso's newest Police Officer.

Mayor Futcher read a proclamation declaring May 18, 2008, to May 24, 2008, as **National Public Works Week** in the City of Kelso. Public Works Director David Sypher accepted the proclamation and thanked his staff for their dedication and hard work.

KDRA REPORT:

Kelso Downtown Revitalization Association: Karen Lawrence thanked Mayor Futcher, City Manager Brachvogel, Councilmembers, and staff for their support. Members of KDRA, who attended the April 22nd Special Council Meeting, thought the presentation by Roger Brooks of Destination Development was outstanding. KDRA members will soon announce the date of a clean-up day in Kelso that is being organized.

CITIZEN'S BUSINESS:

Nancy Purviss, 2420 Kelso Drive, spoke about Kelso's history as it relates to today's issues. Her dad was president of the Kelso Chamber of Commerce in 1965-1967. She also spoke about wanting to get the Chamber of Commerce back in Kelso.

Nancy Nazareth, 602 Academy, spoke about the need for a Cowlitz County Art Center in Kelso and suggested the building at 109 Allen Street might be a good location.

Gary Schmauder, 1810 Rose Valley Road, representing Kelso Kiwanis, spoke in opposition of the fireworks stand applications on tonight's Council Agenda for Bomber Brothers and St. Mary Church.

Darlene DeRosier, 3627 Pleasant Hill Rd., representing Kelso Kiwanis, spoke to advocate against additional fireworks permits in Kelso. She also spoke about how Kiwanis has used the profits from their fireworks sales to benefit local citizens.

CONSENT AGENDA:

Liquor License Application: The River Casino, 902 Ash Street

Liquor License Assumption: From Sori-Yuri Corporation dba Holt's Quick Check to JKWS, LLC, Jin Bok Kim and Kyung Hee Choi, 400 N. Pacific

Fireworks Permits: 1) Bomber Brothers, Inc., 2) St. Mary Church

Upon motion by Councilmember McDaniel, seconded by Councilmember Roberson, 'Approve the Consent Agenda with the removal of the Fireworks Permits,' motion carried, all voting yes.

Upon motion by Councilmember McDaniel, seconded by Councilmember Roberson, 'Deny the fireworks permits.' Discussion followed. Motion carried, all voting yes.

CITIZEN'S BUSINESS:

Jeremy Hooper, 2340 E. Castleman, Longview, asked for an update of the skate park. Community Development Director Mike Kerins said the City is waiting to receive some bids. Discussion followed.

Rod Marks, 1218 18th Ave., Longview, spoke about some research he has done concerning the construction of skateboard parks. He said there may be other options for a better price. Mr. Marks agreed to leave some information with Community Development Director Kerins.

PRESENTATIONS:

Images of Cowlitz County Magazine: **Elizabeth West**, a representative of General Communications of Nashville, Tennessee, handed out copies of the Images of Cowlitz County Magazine which is sponsored by the Kelso/Longview Chamber of Commerce and the Cowlitz Economic Development Council. The magazine can be used as a marketing tool to help promote the quality of life and the economic vitality of our community.

Bond Issue: **Jim Nelson**, Senior Municipal Underwriter with Martin Nelson and Company, spoke about the opportunity to refinance the 1998 Water & Sewer Revenue Bonds that will fully mature in June of 2018. Over a ten-year period, this would net the City approximately \$58,000.

MOTION ITEM:

Ordinance (1st Reading) – Bond Issue: The Deputy City Clerk read the proposed ordinance by title only. Upon motion by Councilmember McDaniel, seconded by Councilmember Karnofski, ‘Pass on 1st Reading, ‘AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF KELSO, WASHINGTON, RELATING TO THE WATER SYSTEM AND SYSTEM OF SANITARY SEWAGE DISPOSAL OF THE CITY; PROVIDING FOR THE ISSUANCE OF (\$1,000,000) PAR VALUE WATER AND SEWER REVENUE REFUNDING BONDS, 2008, TO REFUND IN A CURRENT REFUNDING THE CALLABLE PORTION OF THE CITY’S OUTSTANDING WATER AND SEWER REVENUE BONDS, 1998, FIXING THE DATE, INTEREST RATES, FORM, MATURITIES, TERMS AND COVENANTS OF THOSE BONDS; APPROVING THE SALE AND PROVIDING FOR THE DELIVERY OF THE BONDS TO MARTIN NELSON & CO., INC. OF SEATTLE, WASHINIGTON.’ Discussion followed. Motion carried, all voting yes.

Mayor Futcher announced there will be a Special Council Meeting in the Council Chambers tomorrow night, May 7, 2008, beginning at 5:30 p.m. to vote on the 2nd reading of this ordinance.

PRESENTATION:

Quarterly Report – Cowlitz 2 Fire & Rescuc: **Alan Headley** gave the 1st Quarter Report for 2008. There have been 530 calls so far this year. Alan reminded citizens about the appropriate use of the 911 system. Due to the availability of ambulances, 911 calls should only be made for emergencies.

MOTION ITEMS:

Ordinance (1st Reading) – Suspending Requirement for Right-of-Way and Other Frontage Improvements Along Talley Way: The Deputy City Clerk read the proposed ordinance by title only. Upon motion by Councilmember McDaniel, seconded by Councilmember Karnofski, ‘Pass on 1st Reading, ‘AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF KELSO SUSPENDING THE REQUIREMENT FOR RIGHT-OF-WAY AND OTHER

FRONTAGE IMPROVEMENTS ALONG TALLEY WAY IN CONJUNCTION WITH NEW DEVELOPMENT PENDING THE COMPLETION OF THE TALLEY WAY COORIDOR STUDY AND THE ADOPTION OF ROAD AND FRONTAGE IMPROVEMENT STANDARDS.' Discussion followed. Motion carried, all voting yes.

Ordinance No. 08-3670 – Rezone Change to Six (6) Parcels in West Kelso: The Deputy City Clerk read the proposed ordinance by title only. Upon motion by Councilmember McDaniel, seconded by Councilmember Karnofski, 'Adopt Ordinance No. 08-3670, 'AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF KELSO AMENDING THE ZONING MAP OF THE CITY OF KELSO BY CHANGING CERTAIN PARCELS ON THE WEST SIDE OF 7TH AVENUE NW JUST NORTH OF CLARK STREET FROM SINGLE FAMILY 5000 SQUARE FEET TO MULTI-FAMILY RESIDENTIAL.' Discussion followed. Councilmembers McDaniel, Slater, Myers, Karnofski, and Fletcher voted yes. Councilmember Roberson voted no. Motion passed 5 to 1.

Resolution No. 08-970 – Airport WSDOT Master Plan: The Deputy City Clerk read the proposed resolution by title only. Upon motion by Councilmember McDaniel, seconded by Councilmember Myers, 'Adopt Resolution No. 08-970, 'A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF KELSO AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO ENTER INTO AN AGREEMENT WITH WSDOT FOR CERTAIN GRANT FUNDS FOR THE AIRPORT MASTER PLAN UPDATE.' Public Works Director David Sypher said due to some new information that has been received, the resolution needs to reflect a change in the dollar amount in the fourth paragraph, from \$150,000 to \$200,000. Motion carried, all voting yes.

Airport Hangar Construction Ground Lease Agreement: Public Works Director Sypher said this ground lease would allow the addition of thirty T-hangars and four commercial hangars. Upon motion by Councilmember Karnofski, seconded by Councilmember Myers, 'Approve the hangar construction ground lease.' Discussion followed. Motion carried, all voting yes.

Tam O'Shanter Parking Lot Bid Award to Civilworks NW, Inc.: Public Works Director Sypher said the project came in 33 percent lower than planned. Upon motion by Councilmember McDaniel, seconded by Councilmember Roberson, 'Award the contract for the Tam O'Shanter Parking Lot to Civilworks NW, Inc., in the amount of \$221,170.57,' motion carried, all voting yes.

Airport Master Plan Consultant Award: Public Works Director Sypher spoke about the Airport Master Plan and stated the FAA wants to make sure the City is fully committed to the plan. Discussion followed. Upon motion by Councilmember Karnofski, seconded by Councilmember Myers, 'Award the Airport Master Plan contract with URS Corporation,' motion carried, all voting yes.

Kennedy-Jenks Agreement Amendment Proposal: Public Works Director Sypher gave a brief history of the reservoir siting project. David said the project will cost \$52,666 and only \$20,000 is in the budget; however, there are some other water projects

that are budgeted for \$200,000 that are not going to be done. Upon motion by Councilmember McDaniel, seconded by Councilmember Karnofski, 'Approve the proposed amendment with Kennedy-Jenks Engineering for the work on the reservoir siting,' motion carried, all voting yes.

MANAGER'S REPORT:

Paul Brachvogel: 1) Proposals for our website development will be presented at the next Council Meeting. 2) An executive session regarding present litigation, real estate acquisition, and potential litigation will be needed. 3) An offer in the amount of \$175,000 was received for the 109 Allen Street property. Our asking price is \$389,000. It was the consensus of the Council to have Paul find out the intended use for the property. 4) I will be conducting quarterly staff meetings beginning this summer. Councilmembers are welcome to attend. 5) A formal proposal has been requested from Destination Development for the development and marketing of a "brand" for the City of Kelso. These next phases will cost approximately \$75,000. 6) Public Works has developed some charts that are hanging in the back of the Council Chambers that show a schedule of projects to be done. 7) Last week I attended the Municipal Attorneys' Conference in Whistler.

STAFF REPORTS:

David Sypher: 1) I handed out the City of Kelso 2007 Water Quality Report. The report will be on our website and sent out in the utility bills. Kelso was fourth in the state in clarity of water. 2) As City Manager Brachvogel mentioned, there are two charts on the back wall. On the left you can view the 2009-2011 Overlay Plan, showing three years of the thirteen-year plan. The other chart shows the City of Kelso Public Works 2008 Capital Projects.

Mike Kerins: 1) Our tracking software should be up and running the first of July. There will be a lot of training before that date. 2) I just completed a review of the fee schedule which was revised in 2006.

Geraldine de Rooy: The library was the recipient of a "One Book One Community Read" Grant in the amount of \$7,000.

Wayne Nelson: 1) I hope you had a chance to see the Mobil Command Post that was parked outside. Because it is a Region 4 asset, it is available for use by any entity in Cowlitz, Wahkiakum, Clark, and Skamania Counties; however, it will primarily be used in Cowlitz and Wahkiakum Counties since Clark and Skamania Counties already have a similar unit. Most of the funding came from homeland security funds. 2) I handed out an educational Drug Abuse Magazine about the prevention of drug abuse.

Brian Butterfield: 1) The auditors finished phase one, which included auditing of financial statements. They will return in June to complete the compliance audit. 2) Some

of us in the Finance Department participated in the Earth Day Event on April 19th, to promote recycling.

Carol Bradbury: No report

COUNCIL REPORTS:

John Karnofski: No report

Rick Roberson: 1) I have enjoyed attending the Kelso Downtown Revitalization meetings. This very energetic group will make improvements in Kelso. 2) Last week I attended the open house at the Columbia Apartments.

Todd McDaniel: No report

Dan Myers: No report

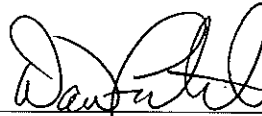
Alan Slater: 1) I would like to discuss a property acquisition and possible litigation in the executive session. 2) The May Special Edition issue of the National Geographic had a very interesting article titled "China" which included pictures of the Central World Trade Center that is near completion. Al thought one of the architectural firms for this building may have designed the Emanuel Lutheran Church in Longview.

David Futcher: 1) Please contact Shelly in the Manager's Office if you want to attend the AWC Convention June 17-20. 2) Applications are being accepted for the open Council position. There will be a special meeting to interview candidates on Monday, May 12.

EXECUTIVE SESSION:

The Council convened into Executive Session at 9:30 p.m. to discuss present litigation, real estate acquisition, and potential litigation. The Council reconvened into Regular Session at 10:00 p.m.

Upon motion by Councilmember McDaniel, seconded by Councilmember Karnofski, 'Move to Adjourn,' motion carried, all voting yes. The meeting was adjourned at 10:01 p.m.



MAYOR



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