

Pastor Chris Leingang, Faith Lutheran Brethren 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 Futcher. Councilmembers in attendance were: Futcher, Myers, Von Rock, Malella, Roberson, and McDaniel. Councilmember Karnofski was absent.

Minutes: Upon motion by Councilmember McDaniel, seconded by Councilmember Von Rock, 'Approve the minutes of the 9/1/09 Special Meeting and the 9/1/09 Regular Meeting,' motion carried, all voting yes.

PROCLAMATION:

Mayor Futcher read a proclamation declaring October, 2009, to be "**Domestic Violence Awareness Month**" in the City of Kelso and asked citizens to participate in efforts to recognize the serious impact of domestic violence. Stephanie Elbert, Assistant Director of the Emergency Support Center, accepted the proclamation and thanked the City for their support of the center which has helped many domestic violence victims.

PRESENTATIONS:

Cowlitz County Museum: David Freece, Museum Director, gave a power point presentation of the history of the museum, which included several old photographs. He spoke about how the museum is funded and governed. He also spoke about current projects and plans and how they impact the community. A portion of a film from 1921, Fishing for Smelt in Kelso, was shown. A schedule of upcoming programs was handed to Councilmembers and staff. Discussion followed.

CITIZEN'S BUSINESS:

Sandy Nanney, 613 S. 7th Avenue, spoke about problems on her street (7th & Cedar) with no drain system, no curbing, and lack of a fire hydrant. Sandy also spoke about the need to have "Dead End" signs placed in more prominent places. Discussion followed.

CONSENT ITEMS:

- **Auditing of Accounts:** \$1,553,875.37
- **Liquor License Renewals:** 1) Three Rivers Golf Course, 2222 S. River Road, 2) Yan's Chinese Restaurant, 300 Long Avenue West
- **Close Out Contract with Carney Construction – Coweeman Park Drive Utility Relocation in the amount of \$102,260.56**
- **Close Out Talley Way Corridor Study, Implementation Plan with David Evans and Associates**

Upon motion by Councilmember McDaniel, seconded by Councilmember Von Rock, 'Approve the Consent Agenda,' motion carried, all voting yes. Upon motion by

Councilmember McDaniel, seconded by Councilmember Von Rock, 'Approve the Auditing of Accounts in the amount of \$1,553,875.37,' motion carried, all voting yes.

MOTION ITEM:

Ordinance No. 09-3715 – Exclusive FBO Services at the Southwest Washington Regional Airport: The Deputy City Clerk read the proposed ordinance by title only. Upon motion by Councilmember Von Rock, seconded by Councilmember Roberson, 'Adopt Ordinance No. 09-3715, 'AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF KELSO, WASHINGTON, AMENDING THE AIRPORT LEASE REGULATIONS FOR PURPOSES OF ALLOWING CERTAIN EXCLUSIVE LEASES FOR PUBLIC BENEFIT,' motion carried, all voting yes.

MANAGER'S REPORT:

Dennis Richards: I attended my first Highlander Festival. It was a great event and the staff and volunteers put in a lot of hard work. Councilmembers Von Rock, Myers, and Roberson rode on a decorated truck with the caption, "125 Years of Kelso Pride." Don Stout drove and I rode in the truck. It was a lot of fun. The day after the weekend event, I was amazed to see the park all cleaned up. This is a great event for our community and it brings in a lot of people. A short discussion about handicapped parking followed.

STAFF REPORTS:

Janean Parker: No report

Mike Kardas: Concrete will be poured tomorrow at the skate park.

Michael Kerins: Spoke about the results of the survey concerning the revised Comp Plan which will affect the future of Kelso. A survey summary was handed to Councilmembers and staff. Responses were received by 240 citizens. Fifty-nine indicated they desired to be notified and would like to participate in the comp plan revision process. There will be three workshops. The first workshop, which is to discuss the vision process, will be at the Kelso High School cafeteria tomorrow night beginning at 6:00 p.m. Citizens are encouraged to attend the meeting to help identify how they want Kelso to develop within the next twenty years. Discussion followed.

Andrew Hamilton: 1) Officers and reserves were busy with the events of the Highlander Festival. 2) We are short-handed due to vacations and three officers out with injuries. 3) Captain Thompson is attending structure training through the Stop Grant that we take part in with the Longview Police and the Cowlitz County Sheriff's Office. This State Grant addresses domestic violence. 4) Sgt. Blain is attending Supervisor's Training.

Brian Butterfield: 1) At the Council Retreat, it was suggested that a monthly budget report be given to Councilmembers. Brian handed Councilmembers a General Fund

Comparative Revenue Schedule, Expenditure Schedule, and Monthly Balance Sheets. 2) Information from the State of Washington Office of Financial Management was also given to Councilmembers showing the results of their impact study on Initiative 1033. Brian gave an example of how this could affect Kelso if the initiative is passed. Councilmember Von Rock suggested giving the public the opportunity to receive some education so the voters will have a true understanding of the issue. Discussion followed. City Attorney Parker said because this is a matter that will be on the ballot, the City cannot take a position; however, a public hearing can be held to allow the pros and cons. At that point, a resolution can be brought to Council to support or oppose the issue.

COUNCIL REPORTS:

Rick Roberson: 1) There were approximately thirty motorcycles at the Annual Iron Horse Festival that was held September 5th. It was great to have the street blocked off. Due to the rainy weather, some events were cancelled. 2) The Highlander Festival was a great event. I appreciate all who worked to get the truck ready for the parade.

Todd McDaniel: 1) I ran the 15K race at the Highlander Festival. I appreciate the staff for all their hard work. 2) The next home football game is Friday with Ft. Vancouver. We need Kelso citizens to support all school sports events.

Gerald Malella: No report

Rick Von Rock: 1) Thanks to all who helped get the trailer decorated for the Highlander Parade. I think there should be a City float in the parade each year. 2) Today I was able to listen to the Development Block Grant close-out for the Phoenix House. It was interesting to hear about this program and how it has helped people in our community.

Dan Myers: 1) The Veterans Stand Down Day is tomorrow. Thanks to all who are helping to make this a successful event. 2) The Denture Clinic has done a great job upgrading their building. 3) The volunteers are having a lot of fun working at the Depot.

David Futcher: The Highlander Festival was a great event and it was well attended. City Manager Richards said it was wonderful to see so many City employees and citizens volunteering many hours at this event.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 7:55 p.m.


MAYOR


CITY CLERK



CITY OF KELSO

FINANCE DEPARTMENT

As of This Date September 15, 2009

The City Audit Committee Does

Approve for Payment those Claims included in the above listing, and futher

described below, in the TOTAL AMOUNT of \$ 1,553,875.37

Voucher warrant Numbers: 152716 through 152890

In the Amount of \$ 867,382.63

Prepaid Warrant Numbers: 152672-152677 through 152704-152705, 152714

In the Amount of \$ 33,489.05

Voided Warrant Numbers: 152703, 152806 through 152891

Payroll Deduction/Benefit
Claims Warrant Numbers 152678 through 152707

In the Amount of \$ 342,144.88

Payroll Warrant Numbers: 10153
518710 through 10265
518751

In the Amount of \$ 310,858.81

Voided Warrant Numbers: through

SIGNED: [Signature]
Audit Committee

[Signature]
Audit Committee

Authorized for Payment per Council Action: 2009

City of Kelso
(360) 423-0900 * Fax (360) 425-9807
email bigb@kelso.gov

Finanance Department
P.O. Box 819
Kelso, WA 98626