

Pastor Seth Trendera, Faith Center, gave the invocation Deputy Mayor Lefebvre led the flag salute. Deputy Mayor Lefebvre called the Regular Meeting of the Kelso City Council to order. Councilmembers in attendance were Kim Lefebvre, Mike Karnofski, Larry Alexander, David Fatcher, Jim Hill, and Jeffrey McAllister. Mayor Nancy Malone was absent.

Minutes: Upon motion by Councilmember Hill, seconded by Councilmember Fatcher, 'Approve the Minutes of the 9/18/18 Regular Meeting,' motion passed, all voting yes.

PROCLAMATION:

Deputy Mayor Lefebvre read a proclamation declaring October 2018, as "**Domestic Violence Action Month**" in the City of Kelso. Emergency Support Shelter Advocate Julie Williams accepted the proclamation.

PUBLIC HEARING:

Deputy Mayor Lefebvre opened the public hearing at 6:05 p.m. Finance Director/City Clerk Brian Butterfield provided an overview of revenue sources for the upcoming year. Rod Wright and Rick Von Rock spoke from the audience. There being no further comments from the public, Deputy Mayor Lefebvre closed the public hearing at 6:15 p.m.

CITIZENS BUSINESS:

Rick Von Rock, from Kelso, spoke about being impressed with the kids painting the mural under the bridge.

CONSENT AGENDA: None

COUNCIL BUSINESS:

HOME Grant Revision Request: Planning Manager Tammy Baraconi provided an update on the proposed changes. Kelso Housing Authority Executive Director Joleen Reece provided an overview of the proposed HOME grant revisions. Upon motion by Councilmember Fatcher, seconded by Councilmember Hill, 'Approve the changes requested by the Kelso Housing Authority'. Upon amended motion by Councilmember Hill, seconded by Councilmember Karnofski, 'Approve the changes requested by the Kelso Housing Authority and authorize the Developer Agreement for the HOME grant revision.' Motion passed, all voting yes.

Contract Award – Southwest Washington Regional Airport Parking Lot

Improvement Project: Airport Manager Chris Paolini provided the bid results and an overview of the project plan. Upon motion by Councilmember Hill, seconded by Councilmember Fatcher, ‘Award the contract to Clark and Sons for \$137,059.02.’ Discussion followed. Motion passed, all voting yes.

MOTION ITEMS:

Ordinance No. (1st Reading) – Proposed Retail Marijuana Sales Overlay: The Deputy Clerk read the proposed ordinance by title only. Upon motion by Councilmember Fatcher, seconded by Councilmember McAllister, ‘Pass on 1st reading, ‘AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF KELSO REPLACING THE CITY’S OFFICIAL ZONING MAP AND AMENDING CHAPTERS 17.18.030 OFFICIAL ZONING MAP, 17.18.040 TABLE OF PERMITTED USES AND 17.22.170 STATE LICENSED MARIJUANA PRODUCTION, PROCESSING, AND SALES OF THE CITY’S TITLE 17 UNIFIED DEVELOPMENT CODE.’ Motion passed, all voting yes.

WORKSHOP:

2019-2020 Budget Priorities Discussion: City Manager Steve Taylor provided an overview of budget priorities. Finance Director/City Clerk Brian Butterfield provided an overview of revenue enhancements available. Discussion followed. Steve Taylor provided an overview of Tam O’Shanter Park funding scenarios. Discussion followed. **Upon motion by Councilmember Fatcher, seconded by Councilmember Alexander, “Direct staff towards funding scenario number one of the Tam O’Shanter Park improvements.” Lengthy discussion followed. Councilmembers Fatcher, Lefebvre, Alexander, and McAllister voted yes. Councilmembers Hill and Karnofski voted no. Motion passed, 4 to 2.** Steve Taylor provided information on budget reserves for possible building and equipment replacement funds. Discussion followed.

MANAGER’S REPORT:

Steve Taylor: 1) Commented on a change in Veterans Administration policy to shift funds from rural communities to urban areas. He requested Council’s approval to send letters to Senators Patty Murray and Maria Cantwell, and Representative Jaime Herrera Beutler to request that funding remain intact for SW Washington. 2) Commented that the Department of Labor and Industries now has the ability to set new prevailing wage rates for public agencies. He requested Council’s approval to send a letter on their behalf requesting review of this policy. 3) Announced that the Minor Road Reservoir Ribbon Cutting Ceremony would be held October 12th at 12:00 p.m. at the Faith Center Church parking lot. 4) Reported the job announcement for the Library Manager position would soon be available. 5) Commented that the Wayfinding signs are going up around town. 6) Reported on the new Christmas tree chosen for the Tree Lighting Festival.

STAFF REPORTS:

Finance Director/City Clerk Brian Butterfield: Commented that the new meter readers started this week. He also commented that the Finance Department is moving forward with the software conversion.

Community Development Director/City Engineer Mike Kardas: Provided an update on South Pacific construction. He stated the road should be open for use tomorrow upon completion of the stripping.

Police Chief Andrew Hamilton: 1) Commented that the next community engagement event is "Coffee with a Cop" which will be Thursday at 9:00 a.m., at Grounds for Opportunity Cafe (GFO). 2) Provided an update on the training of new officers.

Interim Library Manager Kristen Dahl: Commented that the Library would be holding a book sale on Friday and Saturday from 10:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. There will also be a bag book sale on Monday from 10:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.

COUNCIL REPORTS:

Mike Karnofski: No report.

Jeffrey McAllister: No report.

Larry Alexander: 1) Announced that on October 13th, from 10:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m., there would be a food drive event at Skippers on 7th Avenue in Longview to benefit local veterans. 2) Reported that there would not be a Witch's Hollow event this year.

Kim Lefebvre: No report.

Jim Hill: No report.

David Fletcher: Commented that KLTV installed new cameras in the council chambers.

There being no further business, Deputy Mayor Lefebvre adjourned the meeting at 7:53 p.m.


DEPUTY MAYOR


CITY CLERK