

Pastor Marvin Kasemeier, from New Song Worship Center, gave the invocation. Mayor Nancy Malone led the flag salute. Mayor Malone called the Regular Meeting of the Kelso City Council to order. Councilmembers in attendance were Jeffrey McAllister, Kim Lefebvre, Nancy Malone, Jim Hill, Mike Karnofski, and David Fatcher. Councilmember Larry Alexander was absent.

Minutes: Upon motion by Councilmember Lefebvre, seconded by Councilmember McAllister, 'Approve the Minutes of the 5/7/19 Regular Meeting,' motion passed, all voting yes.

With no objection from the Council, Mayor Malone removed Agenda Item 4.3. "Seattle is Dying" KOMO Report – Homelessness and Drug Addiction from the agenda.

PUBLIC HEARING:

2019 HOME Grant: Mayor Malone opened the public hearing at 6:03 PM. Adam Trimble, Staff to the Longview/Kelso HOME Consortium, presented each project proposal request for funding under the HOME program grant from the Federal Department of Housing and Urban Development. He followed each project with his recommendation. Citizens that spoke from the audience were as follows:

- Rick Von Rock, from Kelso
- Tara Fennel, Community House Lead Housing Specialist
- Ilona Kirby, Lower Columbia Community Action Program (LCAP) Executive Director
- Jan Navarre, Foundation for the Challenged Representative

There being no further comment from the public, Mayor Malone closed the public hearing at 6:34 PM.

PRESENTATIONS:

2019 State Legislative Update – End of Session: Gordon Thomas Honeywell Governmental Affairs Vice President Josh Weiss and Consultant Trevor Justin provided an overview of what transpired for each of Kelso's 2019 legislative priorities at the legislative session in Olympia. Discussion followed.

Citizen Recognition – Jack Keolker: Mayor Malone presented Mr. Keolker with a plaque acknowledging his years of service to the City of Kelso and the community. Mr. Keolker accepted the plaque. He commented that he was on a total of 22 boards and committees in a 23-year span. He thanked his family, which was in attendance, for their support.

CITIZENS' BUSINESS:

Rich Carle, representing the Kelso Senior Center and the Alzheimer's Association, spoke about 'The Longest Day' fundraising event on Saturday, June 22nd, at the Kelso Senior Center. He distributed event fliers and buttons to the Council and staff.

CONSENT AGENDA:

1. **Auditing of Accounts:** \$ 2,542,985.44

Upon motion by Councilmember Futcher, seconded by Councilmember Hill, 'Approve the Consent Agenda and the Auditing of Accounts in the amount of \$2,542,985.44,' motion carried, all voting yes.

COUNCIL BUSINESS:

2019 HOME Grant Allocation Proposals: Upon motion by Councilmember McAllister, seconded by Councilmember Futcher, 'Allocate the 2019 HOME Grant funds in the amounts of \$80,000 to the Kelso Housing Authority (KHA), \$22,063 to LCAP Veterans Project, and \$20,000 to the Foundation for the Challenged.' Discussion followed. Councilmembers McAllister and Futcher, voted yes. Councilmembers Karnofski, Hill, Lefebvre, and Malone voted no. Motion failed, 4 to 2. **Upon motion by Councilmember Hill, seconded by Councilmember Lefebvre 'Allocate the 2019 HOME Grant funds in the amounts of \$68,028 to the KHA, \$50,000 to LCAP Veterans Project, and \$4,035 to the Foundation for the Challenged'.** Councilmembers McAllister, Lefebvre, Malone, Hill and Karnofski voted yes. Councilmember Futcher voted no. **Motion passed, 5 to 1.**

The designation of the 2019 Community Housing Development Organization was determined later in the meeting when the Council reconvened into regular session from executive session.

City Manager Transition Update: Councilmember Futcher reported that the ads for the position have been placed and the staff have been compiling responses. The results of a survey would be provided to the Council after the meeting.

MOTION ITEM:

Resolution No. 19-1209 – Stan Rister Stadium Accessibility: The Deputy Clerk read the proposed resolution by title only. Upon motion by Councilmember Futcher, seconded by Councilmember Lefebvre, 'Pass Resolution No. 19-1209, 'A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY OF KELSO, WASHINGTON AFFIRMING THE PURPOSE AND USE OF STAN RISTER STADIUM AT THE TAM O'SHANTER ATHLETIC COMPLEX FOR

YOUTH BASEBALL PROGRAMS.' Discussion followed. Motion passed, all voting yes.

MANAGER'S REPORT:

Steve Taylor: 1) Commented that a discussion regarding an agreement renewal proposal for solid waste control services would be forthcoming. 2) Spoke about the governor's declaration of the drought for certain water basins including the Cowlitz. Community Development Director Mike Kardas spoke about a citywide water restriction beginning July 1st. Discussion followed. City Manager Taylor commented that the spray park hours would be reduced.

STAFF REPORTS:

Library Manager Natalee Corbett: 1) Encouraged everyone to see the recent changes to the library. 2) Provided an update on the conversion of the new library software program.

Finance Director/City Clerk Brian Butterfield: 1) Updated the Council on the new finance software conversion. He commented that the auditing accounts approved tonight were claims from the new program. 2) Commented that the state audit is wrapping up and should be finished next week.

COUNCIL REPORTS:

David Futcher: 1) Commented on the reports generated by the new finance program. 2) Encouraged everyone to go see what's new at Tam O'Shanter Park.

Mike Karnofski: 2) Spoke about the downtown cleaning event on June 1st, from 9:00AM to 11:00AM. He commented that the meeting place was at Grounds for Opportunity Café.

Jim Hill: Reported on the Solid Waste Advisory Committee meeting he recently attended.

Kim Lefebvre: No report.

Jeffrey McAllister: Spoke about the changes at the library.

Nancy Malone: No report.

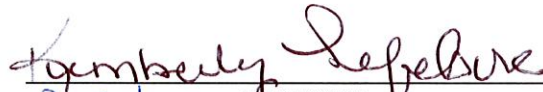
EXECUTIVE SESSION:


At 7:34 PM, Mayor Malone announced that the Council would convene into executive session to discuss pending litigation. The executive session was expected to last approximately 5 minutes and no action would be taken. The City Attorney was present.

The Council reconvened into regular session at 7:41 PM.

**Upon motion by Councilmember Fatcher, seconded by Councilmember Hill,
'Designate LCAP as the 2019 Community Housing Development Organization,'**

There being no further business, Mayor Malone adjourned the meeting at 7:42 PM.


Deputy MAYOR


CITY CLERK