

Pastor Joe Lancaster, Kelso First Baptist Church, gave the invocation. Mayor Don Gregory led the flag salute. The Regular Meeting of the Kelso City Council was called to order by Mayor Gregory. Councilmembers in attendance were: Gregory, Slater, Chester, McDaniel, Wheeler, Futch, Karnofski, and Student Representative Jim McDaniel.

STUDENT REPRESENTATIVE:

Jim McDaniel: 1) The main goal for ASB next year is to get students to treat our school with a little more respect. 2) The ASB leadership summer conference will be August 8 and 9. 3) Freshmen orientation will be August 1. 4) The Kelso/R. A. Long Football game will be August 31st. 5) Football practice begins August 15 and Tennis practice will start August 20. 6) Graduation was Saturday, June 16 and Thursday is the last day of school.

Minutes: Upon motion by Councilmember Slater and seconded by Councilmember Futch, 'Approve the minutes of the 6/5/07 Regular Meeting,' motion carried, all voting yes.

CONSENT AGENDA:

Auditing of Accounts: \$1,448,426.19

Mary McCarthy Request for JH Kelly Picnic at Tam O'Shanter Park on 7/21/07

Upon motion by Councilmember Futch and seconded by Councilmember Slater, Approve the Consent Agenda and the Auditing of Accounts in the amount of \$1,448,426.19,' motion carried, all voting yes.

Liquor License Change in LLC: Sunrise Market – Three Good Brothers, L.L.C., 1215 S. 6th

Upon motion by Councilmember Wheeler and seconded by Councilmember McDaniel, 'Authorize approval of the change of LLC,' motion carried, all voting yes.

CLOSED PUBLIC HEARING FOR SIX-YEAR TRANSPORTATION IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM – 2008-2013:

Public Works Director David Sypher stated the Six-Year Transportation Improvement Program was reviewed by the Planning Commission at their June 12th meeting. This is the standard STIP Program that is adopted each year. Approximately \$500,000 is available to use for street projects that are listed on the Six-Year Capital Improvement Program. Discussion followed.

MOTION ITEMS:

Award Contract for 2007 Overlay Project to Lakeside Industries in the Amount of \$218,045.00: Public Works Director Sypher stated only one bid was received. Upon motion by Councilmember Wheeler and seconded by Councilmember McDaniel, 'Award contract for the 2007 Overlay Project to Lakeside Industries in the amount of \$218,045.00 and allocate an additional \$15,000 from the general fund for staff costs.' Discussion followed. Motion carried, all voting yes.

Accept Bidder's Proposal for Street Sweeping Services with Cowlitz Clean Sweep in the Amount of \$72.00 Per Hour (not to exceed \$30,000.00): Upon motion by Councilmember Wheeler and seconded by Councilmember Fatcher, 'Accept bidder's proposal for street sweeping services with Cowlitz Clean Sweep in the amount of \$72.00 per hour,' motion carried, all voting yes.

Resolution No. 07-940 - Six-Year Transportation Improvement Program (2008-2013): The City Clerk read the resolution by title only. Upon motion by Councilmember Wheeler and seconded by Councilmember Fatcher, 'Amend the resolution by adding Talley Way and 13th Avenue to the list,' motion carried, all voting yes. Upon motion by Councilmember Wheeler and seconded by Councilmember Fatcher, 'Adopt Resolution No. 07-940, 'A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF KELSO, COWLITZ COUNTY, WASHINGTON, ADOPTING A SIX YEAR TRANSPORTATION IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM FOR CONSTRUCTION OF STREET IMPROVEMENTS,' motion carried, all voting yes.

Resolution No. 07-941 - Capital Improvement and Establishing the City's Capital Improvement Program for 2007-2012: The City Clerk read the resolution by title only. Upon motion by Councilmember Fatcher and seconded by Councilmember McDaniel, 'Adopt Resolution No. 07-941, 'A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF KELSO RELATED TO CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS AND ESTABLISHING THE CITY'S CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM FOR THE PERIOD 2007-2012,' motion carried, all voting yes.

Ordinance (1st Reading) - Establish Public Utility Easement on City of Kelso Parcel #24087 Adjacent to 2510 Talley Way: Mayor Gregory stated this is the easement to get utilities from the Pape building down to Storedahl's new construction project. The City Clerk read the proposed ordinance by title only. Upon motion by Councilmember Chester and seconded by Councilmember Karnofski, 'Pass on 1st Reading, 'AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF KELSO GRANTING A PUBLIC UTILITY EASEMENT TO J. L. STOREDAHL & SONS AS MORE PARTICULARLY DESCRIBED HEREIN.' Discussion followed. It was the consensus of the Council to set this aside for discussion in Executive Session.

Approval of Bid – Kelso Longview Airport AIP AWOS RCO Relocation Security Fence and Hangar Taxiways: Public Works Director David Sypher gave an explanation of the project. Discussion followed. Upon motion by Councilmember Wheeler and seconded by Councilmember Fatcher, 'Conditionally award the subject contract to Creagan Excavating of Woodland contingent upon funding,' motion carried, all voting yes.

EXECUTIVE SESSION:

The Council convened into Executive Session at 7:45 p.m. to discuss litigation. At 8:13 p.m. the Council reconvened into Regular Session.

Ordinance (1st Reading) – Establish Public Utility Easement on City of Kelso Parcel #24087 Adjacent to 2510 Talley Way (Continued from Page 2):

Motion carried, all voting yes.

CITIZEN'S BUSINESS:

Bob Suss, a Seattle resident, spoke about a drainage issue on property he purchased and the potential problem that is developing under Minor Road. Mr. Suss, who builds affordable housing for the elderly and has plans to build around sixty units, would like to find a way to work together with the City Engineers to correct the drainage problem. Discussion followed. Due to legal issues that prohibit the Council from donating money to private projects, City Attorney Paul Brachvogel stated he will look at the proposal to see if anything can be done. Discussion followed.

MANAGER'S REPORT:

Doug Robinson: Stated he thinks the property Mr. Suss is discussing was most likely developed by Cowlitz County.

STAFF REPORTS:

Paul Brachvogel: No report

David Sypher: 1) Engineering is busy working on the 2007 overlay, the Six-Year CIP capital improvement, the Six-Year STIP, airport program, Storedahl, and Summer Wind development projects. 2) The Street drainage crew has been busy with the 2007 overlay list. 3) We have heard positive comments about the traffic control revision at the high school. The new signs will be up soon. 4) The Water/Sewer Department is busy. 5) The fence at the Banyon pump station is nearly completed. 6) The TV equipment for viewing lines is working great.

Geraldine de Rooy: 1) We are accepting applications on the Library Board due to the resignation of Rick Philbrook. 2) Saturday, June 16, over 100 children were here in the Council Chambers to watch a juggler who introduced them to the start of summer reading. 3) The ADA bathroom remodel is going well and the commode and sink will be installed tomorrow.

Wayne Thompson: The Police Department has been very busy.

Veryl Anderson: 1) Tickets can be purchased for the Santa Express which includes a bus ride to the Hilton in Vancouver and a ride back to the Kelso Tree Lighting on Amtrak

with Santa on Friday, November 30. 2) We will soon be selling Highlander Festival Buttons. It is taking a little longer this year because we are making our own buttons.

COUNCIL REPORTS:

John Karnofski: No report

Todd McDaniel: No report

Mark Chester: 1) The Allen Street and North 3rd Avenue street direction changes look nice; however, there is a problem with the approach to the mailbox. Engineering will work with the Post Office to correct the problem. 2) A sink hole on Minor Road west of Motel 6, which was filled once, is getting worse. 3) School will be out soon, so drivers need to be reminded to watch for children.

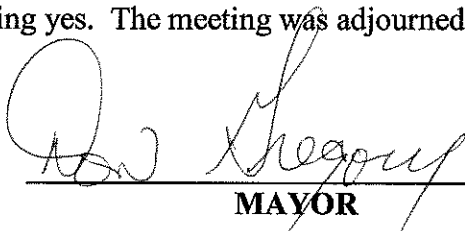
Joe Wheeler: No report

David Futcher: 1) It is good to see the activity at the spray park. 2) The diagonal parking on Allen Street looks great and it is being used tonight. 3) Friday the Mayor and I were at the Kelso Theatre Pub to help them celebrate the new marquee going up.

Alan Slater: 1) After a 20-minute surgery on my eyes, I no longer need my reading glasses. 2) I read in the Daily News that Longview is experiencing a water problem.

Don Gregory: 1) I enjoyed watching the workers put up the marquee at the Kelso Theatre Pub. Now that the building has been painted, I suggested Mike could contact the school to have the art class paint the medallions that are on the building. Work is progressing on the restaurant next door and the inside has been repainted. They are advertising on their marquee that the restaurant will be opening in a few weeks. A nice menu and specialty deserts will be offered and they will stay open after the movie. The City may want to nominate the theatre for a historical revitalization. 2) I spoke with a woman who would like to put in a Chinese Restaurant downtown.

Upon motion by Councilmember McDaniel and seconded by Councilmember Futcher, 'Move to Adjourn,' motion carried, all voting yes. The meeting was adjourned at 8:55 p.m.



MAYOR



CITY CLERK