

Greg Moore, Kelso First United Methodist 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 David Futcher. Councilmembers in attendance were: Archer, McDaniel, Myers, Futcher, and Roberson. Councilmembers Franklin and Schimmel were absent.

**Minutes:** Upon motion by Councilmember Myers, seconded by Councilmember Roberson, 'Approve the Minutes of the 9/16/14 Regular Meeting,' motion carried, all voting yes.

**OATH OF OFFICE:**

Chief of Police Andrew Hamilton swore in Police Officer Aaron Marthaller to the Kelso Police Department.

**PROCLAMATION:**

Mayor Futcher read a proclamation declaring October, 2014, to be "**Domestic Violence Awareness Month**" in the City of Kelso. Emergency Support Shelter Advocate Michelle Grendahl accepted the proclamation.

**CONSENT AGENDA:**

**CITIZEN BUSINESS:**

**MOTION ITEMS:**

**Ordinance No. (1<sup>st</sup> Reading) – Transfer of Property, 1124 North Pacific Avenue:**

The Deputy Clerk read the proposed ordinance by title only. Upon motion by Councilmember McDaniel, seconded by Councilmember Roberson, 'Pass on 1<sup>st</sup> reading, 'AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF KELSO DECLARING CERTAIN REAL PROPERTY SURPLUS AND AUTHORIZING THE CONVEYANCE OF THE PROPERTY AT 1124 NORTH PACIFIC AVENUE IN KELSO TO THE LOWER COLUMBIA COMMUNITY ACTION PARTNERSHIP.' Lower Columbia Community Action Partnership Director Michael Torres spoke about the property's future use as affordable housing for the disabled and low income. Motion passed, all voting yes.

**Ordinance No. (1<sup>st</sup> Reading) – Water/Sewer Rates:** The Deputy Clerk read the proposed ordinance by title only. Upon motion by Councilmember McDaniel, seconded by Councilmember Myers, 'Pass on 1<sup>st</sup> reading, 'AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF KELSO AMENDING ORDINANCE NO. 10-3733 UPDATING WATER AND SEWER RATES.' City Manager Steve Taylor presented an update of the proposed water/sewer rate increase schedule. Motion passed, all voting yes.

**Ordinance No. (1<sup>st</sup> Reading) – Amending KMC Chapter 13.10 Stormwater**

**Management Utility:** The Deputy Clerk read the proposed ordinance by title only. Upon motion by Councilmember McDaniel, seconded by Councilmember Roberson, ‘Pass on 1<sup>st</sup> reading, ‘AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF KELSO, WASHINGTON AMENDING SECTIONS 13.10.050, 13.10.110 AND ADDING SECTION 13.10.115 OF THE KELSO MUNICIPAL CODE RELATING TO THE STORMWATER MANAGEMENT UTILITY AND ESTABLISHING A CAPITAL RECOVERY CHARGE FOR CONNECTION TO THE INFRASTRUCTURE AND SERVICES PROVIDED BY THE UTILITY.’ Motion passed, all voting yes.

**Ordinance No. (1<sup>st</sup> Reading) – Adopting Stormwater Rates for 2015-2019:**

The Deputy Clerk read the proposed ordinance by title only. Upon motion by Councilmember Myers, seconded by Councilmember McDaniel, ‘Pass on 1<sup>st</sup> reading, ‘AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF KELSO AMENDING ORDINANCE NO. 13-3811 RELATING TO THE STORMWATER MANAGEMENT UTILITY BY ESTABLISHING NEW BASE RATES FOR SINGLE-FAMILY PARCELS AND LISTING NEW MONTHLY SERVICE CHARGES FOR OTHER DEVELOPED PARCELS FOR 2015 THROUGH 2019. ALSO CREATING A STORMWATER CAPITAL RECOVERY CHARGE.’ Motion passed, all voting yes.

**COUNCIL REPORTS:**

**Gary Archer:** Reported on the recent “Big Idea” meeting.

**Todd McDaniel:** Announced that the Lower Columbia Community Action Partnership’s “50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Gala” is being held on Saturday, October 25, 2014. Tickets are available at the CAP office.

**Dan Myers:** No report.

**Rick Roberson:** Presented a push pin map that indicated the progress of the South Kelso Neighborhood Association’s graffiti cleanup project.

**David Futcher:** Reported on the meeting/tour with the State Congressional Delegation and lobbyists that took place earlier this day.

**MANAGER’S REPORT:**

**Steve Taylor:** 1) Reported that a proposal to amend the planning commission code ordinance will be brought to the Council at a future meeting.

**PUBLIC HEARING:**

Mayor Futch opened the public hearing at 6:35 p.m. Finance Director Brian Butterfield provided a presentation showing the collection of certain revenues over the past seven years. Staff recommended a 1% increment of property tax. Other revenue sources to cover the City's 2015 expense budget were discussed. There were no comments from the public. Mayor Futch closed the public hearing 7:52 p.m.

**COUNCIL BUSINESS:**

**Budget Workshop:** City Manager Steve Taylor led a discussion on the proposed preliminary budget for 2015-2016. He provided an overview of program expenditures and projections of anticipated revenues. The following staff made requests for staffing/service enhancements specific to their department:

- Community Development Director/City Engineer Mike Kardas
- Library Manager Cindy Donaldson
- Captain Darr Kirk
- Chief of Police Andrew Hamilton
- Police Officer Ralph Hines

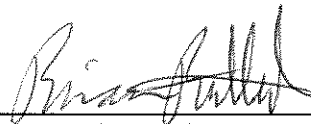
A lengthy discussion followed. Mr. Taylor commented that another budget discussion will be on the agenda for the following council meeting in two weeks.

There being no further business, Mayor Futch adjourned the meeting at 8:08 p.m.



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