

Pastor Russ Jorgenson, Kelso Christian Assembly, 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: McDaniel, Myers, Futcher, Roberson, Franklin, and Schimmel. Councilmember Archer was absent.

Minutes: Upon motion by Councilmember Schimmel seconded by Councilmember Roberson, 'Approve the Minutes of the 11/18/14 Regular Meeting,' Motion carried all voting yes.

PRESENTATION:

City Real Estate Annual Report: City of Kelso Real Estate Broker Butch Henry of Pacific NW Realty Group provided an update on the City owned properties that are listed with Pacific NW Realty Group.

PUBLIC HEARING – FINAL BUDGET 2015/2016

Mayor Futcher opened the public hearing at 6:13 p.m. City Attorney Janean Parker commented that the proposed budget includes appropriations for the Kelso Transportation Benefit District for the 2015/2016 biennium. There being no further comments from the public, Mayor Futcher closed the public hearing at 6:14 p.m.

CITIZEN BUSINESS: None.

MOTION ITEMS:

Ordinance No. (1st Reading) Amending Planning Commission Code KMC 2.60: The Deputy Clerk read the proposed ordinance by title only. Upon motion by Councilmember McDaniel, seconded by Councilmember Schimmel, 'Pass on 1st reading, 'AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF KELSO, WASHINGTON AMENDING THE KELSO MUNICIPAL CODE CHAPTER 2.60 PLANNING COMMISSION.' Lengthy discussion followed. The Council requested that changes be made to section 2.60.030 regarding eligibility requirements to bring back for consideration. Councilmembers McDaniel, Myers, Futcher, Roberson, and Schimmel voted yes. Councilmember Franklin voted no. Motion passed, 5 to 1.

Ordinance No. 14-3837 – Adopt 2015-2016 Budget: The Deputy Clerk read the proposed ordinance by title only. Upon motion by Councilmember Roberson, seconded by Councilmember Schimmel, 'Adopt Ordinance No. 14-3837, 'AN ORDINANCE RELATING TO MUNICIPAL FINANCE AND ADOPTING A BUDGET FOR THE CITY OF KELSO FOR THE 2015/16 FISCAL YEARS.' Motion passed, all voting yes.

Resolution No. 14-1130 – Amending Personnel Policy Handbook, Non-represented Employee Salary Matrix, and Employee Health Benefit Policy: The Deputy Clerk read the proposed resolution by title only. Upon motion by Councilmember Schimmel, seconded by Councilmember Roberson, ‘Pass Resolution No. 14-1130, ‘A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF KELSO AMENDING RESOLUTION NO. 13-1105 AND ADOPTING CHANGES TO THE SALARY CLASSIFICATION SYSTEM FOR NON-REPRESENTED EMPLOYEES, AMENDING THE PERSONNEL POLICY HANDBOOK APPLYING TO THE EMPLOYEES OF THE CITY AS INDICATED THEREIN, AND AMENDING THE CITY OF KELSO EMPLOYEE HEALTH BENEFIT POLICY.’ Motion passed, all voting yes.

Ordinance No. (1st Reading) Amending 2014 Budget: The Deputy Clerk read the proposed ordinance by title only. Upon motion by Councilmember Schimmel, seconded by Councilmember Myers, ‘Pass on 1st reading, ‘AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF KELSO RELATING TO PUBLIC EXPENDITURES AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY UNDER THE PROVISIONS OF RCW 35A.34.150, FIXING THE AMOUNT OF MONEY REQUIRED TO MEET SUCH EMERGENCIES AND AUTHORIZING THE EXPENDITURE OF MONEY NOT PROVIDED FOR IN THE 2013-2014 BIENNIAL BUDGET OF THE CITY.’ Motion passed, all voting yes.

The Regular Session was recessed at 6:33 p.m. to convene into the Transportation Benefit District Special Meeting. At 6:36 p.m., the Council reconvened into Regular Session.

COUNCIL REPORTS:

Todd McDaniel: No report.

Dan Myers: No report.

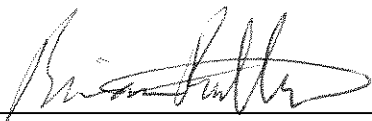
Rick Roberson: No report.

Jared Franklin: No report.

Gary Schimmel: No report.

David Futcher: No report.

There being no further business, Mayor Futcher adjourned the meeting at 6:36 p.m.



CITY CLERK



MAYOR