

Captain Dave Davis, Salvation Army, 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: Futcher, Lefebvre, Archer, Myers, McDaniel, Roberson, and Schimmel.

Minutes: Upon motion by Councilmember Schimmel, seconded by Councilmember Roberson, 'Approve the Minutes of the 4/02/13 Regular Meeting,' motion carried, all voting yes.

PROCLAMATIONS:

Mayor Futcher read a proclamation declaring the month of May, as "**Mental Health Awareness Month**" in the City of Kelso. Lower Columbia Mental Health Director Eric Yakovich accepted the proclamation.

Mayor Futcher read a proclamation declaring April 21st – 27th, 2013, as "**Crime Victim's Rights Week**" in the City of Kelso. Emergency Support Shelter Assistant Director Sarah Hancock and Crime Victim Advocate Estrellita Barron accepted the proclamation.

Mayor Futcher read a proclamation declaring May 13th – 17th, 2013, as "**National Bike to Work Week**" in the City of Kelso. Bicycling Enthusiasts Steve Harvey and David Freece, and Cowlitz County HR Administrative Coordinator Stephanie Dunn accepted the proclamation.

Mayor Futcher read a proclamation declaring May 12th – 18th, 2013, as "**National Transportation Week**" in the City of Kelso. Public Works Director David Sypher accepted the proclamation.

PRESENTATION:

2012 Community Development Annual Report: Community Development Manager Nancy Malone gave a power point presentation that highlighted the department's activities and statistics for 2012.

PUBLIC HEARINGS:

HOME 2013 Allocations/CHDO Request for Funding: Mayor Futcher opened the public hearing at 6:25 p.m. City of Longview CDBG/ HOME Program Coordinator Julie Hourclé gave a power point presentation of the 2013 HOME funding allocation request and the Consortium Community Housing Development Organization funding request. The CHDO allocation, which will assist with operating costs, is 5% of the determined 2013 HOME allocation. The two Kelso HOME Project Design Proposals are as follows:

- **Cowlitz Cottages** – A self-help homeownership project for persons with low incomes, \$48,473.
- **Foundation for the Challenged** – The purchase and rehabilitation of a residential property for rental occupancy for persons with disabilities, \$45,000.

Comments from the audience in support of the funding allocations were made from:

- Marti Johnson, Life Works Executive Director
- Jan Navarre, Foundation for the Challenged Development Consultant
- Michael Torres, Lower Columbia Action Program Director

There being no further comments from the audience, Mayor Futcher closed the public hearing at 6:47 p.m.

Upon motion by Councilmember Schimmel, seconded by Councilmember Lefebvre, 'Approve the 5% Administrative Allocation, the \$45,000 for the Foundation for the Challenged, and the remaining amount up to \$48,473 for the Cowlitz Cottages,' motion carried, all voting yes.

Kelso Six Year Transportation Improvement Plan Amendment: Mayor Futcher opened the public hearing at 6:52 p.m. Community Development Director/City Engineer Mike Kardas briefed the Council on the request for additional funding in the amount of \$1,140,000 from the Quick Response Safety Grant for the West Main Realignment Project. There being no further comments from the audience, Mayor Futcher closed the public hearing at 6:54 p.m.

CONSENT AGENDA:

1. **Contract – Gibbs & Olson, Inc., Professional Services**
2. **Amendment – Airport Board Contract, Administration Services**
3. **Auditing of Accounts: \$1,728,430.99**

Mayor Futcher asked if any items should be removed for separate consideration. Councilmember Archer requested Item No. 2 from the Consent Agenda to be discussed separately.

Upon motion by Councilmember Myers, seconded by Councilmember Roberson, Approve the Consent Agenda and the Auditing of Accounts in the amount of \$1,728,430.99, with the removal of Item No. 2,' motion carried, all voting yes.

CITIZEN BUSINESS:

Kerry Hargand spoke from the audience regarding the biggest health issue in the county being mold related.

MOTION ITEMS:

Resolution No. 13-1086 TIP Amendment: The Deputy Clerk read the proposed resolution by title only. Upon motion by Councilmember Roberson, seconded by Councilmember McDaniel, 'Pass Resolution No. 13-1086, 'A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY OF KELSO, COWLITZ COUNTY, WASHINGTON, ADOPTING AN AMENDMENT TO THE SIX-YEAR TRANSPORTATION IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM FOR CONSTRUCTION OF STREET IMPROVEMENTS.' Motion carried, all voting yes.

Continuation of the Consent Agenda (Item No. 2 previously removed): Upon motion by Councilmember McDaniel, seconded by Councilmember Myers, 'Approve the Amendment to the Airport Board Contract for Administrative Services.' Councilmember Archer questioned the language regarding the reimbursement to the City. Discussion followed. Councilmember Fatcher, Lefebvre, Schimmel, McDaniel, Myers and Roberson voted yes. Councilmember Archer voted no. Motion passed, 6 to 1.

MANAGER'S REPORT:

Steve Taylor: 1) Gave a brief update on the latest activities and the future plans of the Kelso Comprehensive Plan. 2) The Regional Government Summit is being held at the Expo Center on April 18, 2013. 3) Gave a brief report on the Portland State University M.U.R.P student's program, 'Kids of Kelso Community Photo Project.' 4) Presented a 15-Minute SWOT Analysis form for the Council and the staff to complete and submit prior to the May 3rd Council Strategic Planning Retreat.

COUNCIL REPORTS:

Rick Roberson: Made a suggestion at the last Community Transit Board Meeting to bring a presentation to Council regarding the new route changes and how it impacts Kelso.

Kim Lefebvre: No.

Dan Myers: No.

Todd McDaniel: No.

Gary Archer: No.

Gary Schimmel: No.

David Fatcher: No.

EXECUTIVE SESSION:

The Council convened into Executive Session at 7:10 p.m. to discuss labor negotiations and a potential property acquisition. The Executive Session is expected to last approximately 13 minutes. The City Attorney was present and no action will be taken.

At 7:13 p.m. the City Attorney announced that the Council would remain in Executive Session approximately 15 minutes longer.

The Council reconvened into Regular Session at 7:28 p.m.

There being no further business, Mayor Fletcher adjourned the meeting at 7:28 p.m.



MAYOR



DEPUTY CLERK