

Mayor Malone led the flag salute. Mayor Malone called the Regular Meeting of the Kelso City Council to order. Councilmembers in attendance were Jeffery McAllister, Kimberly Lefebvre, Keenan Harvey, Richard McCaine, Lisa Alexander, Mike Karnofski and Nancy Malone.

**Minutes:** Upon motion by Councilmember Lefebvre, seconded by Councilmember Harvey, 'Approve the Minutes of the 04/06/21 Regular Meeting,' motion passed, all voting yes.

**PROCLAMATIONS:**

Mayor Malone read a proclamation declaring the month of April as '**Fair Housing Month April 2021.**'

Mayor Malone read a proclamation declaring the week of April 18<sup>th</sup> – April 24<sup>th</sup>, 2021, as '**National Infertility Awareness Week.**'

**CITIZENS BUSINESS:** None.

**CONSENT AGENDA:**

**Cowlitz County Rural Economic Development Grant:** \$500,000 for Airport Fuel Tank Replacement Project

**Auditing of Accounts:** \$2,035,613.25

Upon motion by Councilmember Lefebvre, seconded by Councilmember Harvey, 'Approve the Consent Agenda and the Auditing of Accounts in the amount of \$2,035,613.25,' motion carried, all voting yes.

**COUNCIL BUSINESS:**

**2021 Association of Washington Cities (AWC) WellCity Award:** City Manager Andrew Hamilton announced that the City of Kelso had received the AWC wellness program award.

**MOTION ITEM:**

**Ordinance No. 21-3956 – Approving Telecommunications Franchise Agreement:** The Deputy Clerk read the proposed ordinance by title only. Upon motion by Councilmember Lefebvre, seconded by Councilmember Alexander, 'Adopt Ordinance No. 21-3956, 'AN ORDINANCE GRANTING TO ZAYO GROUP, LLC, A

DELAWARE LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY, A FRANCHISE TO CONSTRUCT, OPERATE & MAINTAIN A TELECOMMUNICATIONS SYSTEM OR FACILITIES WITHIN THE RIGHTS OF WAY OF THE CITY OF KELSO WASHINGTON.’ City Attorney Parker provided an overview of the changes to the ordinance from the 1<sup>st</sup> reading. Discussion followed. Motion passed, all voting yes.

**WALK-ON ITEM:**

**Ordinance No. (1<sup>st</sup> Reading) Adopting a Six-Month Moratorium on Land Use Applications and Permits Associated with Halfway Houses and Similar Residential Housing Uses:**

The Deputy Clerk read the proposed ordinance by title only. Upon motion by Councilmember Harvey, seconded by Councilmember McAllister, ‘Pass on 1<sup>st</sup> reading, ‘AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF KELSO ADOPTING A SIX-MONTH MORATORIUM WITHIN THE CITY ON THE ACCEPTANCE AND PROCESSING OF LAND USE APPLICATIONS, THE ISSUANCE OF PERMITS OR APPROVALS, AND USES OR ACTIVITIES ASSOCIATED WITH THE ESTABLISHMENT, OPERATION, AND MAINTENANCE OF HALFWAY HOUSES AND OTHER SIMILAR RESIDENTIAL HOUSING USES.’ City Attorney Parker provided an overview of the proposed ordinance. Lengthy discussion followed. **Councilmembers Malone, Lefebvre, McCaine and McAllister voted no. Councilmembers Harvey, Karnofski and Alexander voted yes. Motion failed, 4 to 3.**

**MANAGER’S REPORT:**

**Andrew Hamilton:** 1) Provided a COVID-19 Cowlitz County status update. 2) Reported on the downtown cleanup event which took place on April 11<sup>th</sup>, 2021. 3) Commented on various meetings he recently attended.

Presented a report from Community Development Director/City Engineer Mike Kardas:  
1) Provided an update on West Main Realignment. 2) Reported on the status of the South Kelso Railroad Crossing. 3) Commented that activity at the permit counter has been steady.

**Chief of Police Darr Kirk:** No report.

**Finance Director/City Clerk Brian Butterfield:** No report.

**City Attorney Janean Parker:** No report.

**Airport Manager Chris Paolini:** No report.

**COUNCIL REPORTS:**

**Lisa Knight Alexander:** 1) Commented on the River Cities Transit Authority Board meeting she recently attended. 2) Reported on the Park Board meeting she recently attended. 3) Commented on the downtown cleanup event she attended. 4) Mentioned she would like to see some help for clean up at the train depot.

**Richard McCaine:** Commented on the Kelso Library Board meeting he recently attended.

**Keenan Harvey:** Reported on the status of a records request made to the Cowlitz County Sheriff's Department.

**Jeffrey McAllister:** No report.

**Kim Lefebvre:** No report.

**Mike Karnofski:** 1) Commented on the Cowlitz Wahkiakum Council of Governments meeting he recently attended. 2) Reported on the downtown cleanup event which he recently attended.

**Nancy Malone:** No report.

There being no further business, Mayor Malone adjourned the meeting at 6:51 PM.

  
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**MAYOR**

  
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**CITY CLERK**