

Pastor Marv Kasemeier, New Song Worship Center, gave the invocation. Mayor David Futcher led the flag salute. Mayor Futcher called the Regular Meeting of the Kelso City Council to order. Councilmembers in attendance were Larry Alexander, Kim Lefebvre, David Futcher, Todd McDaniel, Jim Hill, and Nancy Malone. Rick Roberson was absent.

Minutes: Upon motion by Councilmember Lefebvre, seconded by Councilmember Malone, 'Approve the Minutes of the 10/18/16 Regular Meeting,' motion carried, all voting yes.

New Employee Introductions: Finance Director Brian Butterfield introduced Sharry Hilton as the new Accounting Manager. City Manager Steve Taylor introduced Chris Paolini as the new Airport Manager.

PUBLIC HEARING:

Mayor Futcher opened the public hearing at 6:05 p.m. Finance Director Brian Butterfield provided an overview of the 2017-2018 Preliminary Budget. Discussion followed.

Rick Von Rock, 400 N 7th Ave., spoke from the audience about wage rates, the sidewalk program, and the proposed solid waste rates.

There being no further comments from the public, Mayor Futcher closed the public hearing at 6:34 p.m.

CONSENT AGENDA: None.

CITIZEN BUSINESS:

Nancy Nazareth, 602 Academy St., spoke about the Love Overwhelming Homeless Shelter.

Rick Von Rock, 400 N 7th Ave., commented that special thanks go to Larry Alexander for his efforts in the Halloween event held at the Kelso Veterans Park. Mayor Futcher and Councilmember Hill both commented on the invested time Larry Alexander puts into the community.

COUNCIL BUSINESS:

Southwest Washington Regional Airport Interlocal Agreement Amendment: City Manager Taylor briefed the Council on the amendments. Upon motion by Councilmember Lefebvre, seconded by Councilmember McDaniel, 'Approve the amended agreement,' motion passed, all voting yes.

Onsite Computer Services Contract Extension: Upon motion by Councilmember McDaniel, seconded by Councilmember Hill, 'Approve to extend the contract with Compass Lane, Inc.,' motion passed, all voting yes.

Kelso-Longview Chamber of Commerce Visitor Center Operating Agreement Amended Scope of Services: Upon motion by Councilmember Lefebvre, seconded by Councilmember Malone, 'Approve the amendment to the agreement,' motion passed, all voting yes.

MOTION ITEMS:

Resolution No. 16-1166 – Declaration of Substantial Need for the purpose of setting the Limit Factor for the 2017 Property Tax Levy: The Deputy Clerk read the proposed resolution by title only. Upon motion by Councilmember McDaniel, seconded by Councilmember Hill, 'Pass Resolution No. 16-1166, 'A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY OF KELSO, WASHINGTON, DECLARING A SUBSTANTIAL NEED FOR PURPOSES OF SETTING THE LIMIT FACTOR FOR THE PROPERTY TAX LEVY AND AUTHORIZING THE INCREASE IN THE 2017 REGULAR PROPERTY TAX LEVY LIMIT DUE TO SUBSTANTIAL NEED.' Discussion followed. Councilmembers Alexander, Lefebvre, Fatcher, McDaniel, and Hill voted yes. Councilmember Malone voted no. Motion passed, 5 to 1.

Resolution No. 16-1167 – Authorize the Increase in the 2017 Property Tax Levy Amount: The Deputy Clerk read the proposed resolution by title only. Upon motion by Councilmember McDaniel, seconded by Councilmember Hill, 'Pass Resolution No. 16-1167, 'A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF KELSO AUTHORIZING AN INCREASE IN THE REGULAR PROPERTY TAX LEVY IN ADDITION TO ANY AMOUNT RESULTING FROM NEW CONSTRUCTION AND IMPROVEMENTS TO PROPERTY, NEWLY CONSTRUCTED WIND TURBINES, AND ANY INCREASE IN THE VALUE OF STATE ASSESSED UTILITY PROPERTY.' Councilmembers Alexander, Lefebvre, Fatcher, McDaniel, and Hill voted yes. Councilmember Malone voted no. Motion passed, 5 to 1.

Ordinance No. (1st Reading) – Setting 2017 Property Tax Levy Amount: The Deputy Clerk read the proposed ordinance by title only. Upon motion by Councilmember McDaniel, seconded by Councilmember Hill, 'Pass on 1st reading, 'AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF KELSO FIXING THE ESTIMATED AMOUNT TO BE RAISED BY AD VALOREM TAXES AT \$1,472,805 FOR THE 2017 BUDGET OF THE CITY.' Councilmembers Alexander, Lefebvre, Fatcher, McDaniel, and Hill voted yes. Councilmember Malone voted no. Motion passed, 5 to 1.

Ordinance No. (1st Reading) – Updating Water & Sewer Rates: The Deputy Clerk read the proposed ordinance by title only. Upon motion by Councilmember McDaniel, seconded by Councilmember Hill, 'Pass on 1st reading, 'AN ORDINANCE OF THE

CITY OF KELSO REPEALING ORDINANCE NO. 15-3855 AND FIXING THE RATES TO BE CHARGED BY THE CITY OF KELSO RELATING TO THE WATER AND SEWER RATES.’ Councilmembers Alexander, Lefebvre, Fatcher, McDaniel, and Hill voted yes. Councilmember Malone voted no. Motion passed, 5 to 1.

Ordinance No. (1st Reading) – Updating Solid Waste Rates: The Deputy Clerk read the proposed ordinance by title only. Upon motion by Councilmember Lefebvre, seconded by Councilmember McDaniel, ‘Pass on 1st reading, ‘AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF KELSO AMENDING KMC 8.04.100 AND REPEALING ORDINANCE NO. 13-3810 AND FIXING THE RATES TO BE CHARGED BY THE CITY OF KELSO FOR FURNISHING GARBAGE SERVICES EFFECTIVE JANUARY 1, 2017.’ Discussion followed. Motion passed, all voting yes.

Ordinance No. (1st Reading) – Updating Stormwater Drainage Rates: The Deputy Clerk read the proposed ordinance by title only. Upon motion by Councilmember McDaniel, seconded by Councilmember Hill, ‘Pass on 1st reading, ‘AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF KELSO REPEALING ORDINANCE NO. 15-3843 AND FIXING THE RATES TO BE CHARGED BY THE CITY OF KELSO RELATING TO THE STORMWATER MANAGEMENT UTILITY.’ Discussion followed. Councilmembers Alexander, Lefebvre, Fatcher, McDaniel, and Hill voted yes. Councilmember Malone voted no. Motion passed, 5 to 1.

MANAGER’S REPORT:

Steve Taylor: 1) Commented that the deficits projected in the preliminary budget shown earlier that evening were based upon having the current Business & Occupations Utility Tax rate extended for the next two years. He asked that the Council provide direction on whether to bring back the B&O Utility Tax Ordinance amendment for reconsideration or decrease expenses in the budget. Discussion followed. The Council directed staff to bring back the B&O Utility Tax Ordinance. Discussion followed. The Council directed staff to slot a budget workshop on the agenda for the next regular meeting. 2) Commented that the Association of Washington Cities Southwest Washington Regional Meeting would be held at the Woodland City Council Chambers on Thursday, Nov. 3rd. 3) Reported that the Way Finding consultants would be providing a presentation at the Longview City Council Chambers on Monday, Nov. 7th, at 6:00 p.m. 4) Announced that there would be a closed meeting after the regular meeting to discuss collective bargaining issues.

COUNCIL REPORTS:

Larry Alexander: Reported on the previous night’s Halloween event.

Kim Lefebvre: No report.

Todd McDaniel: No report.

Jim Hill: No report.

Nancy Malone: Commented on the great job Larry Alexander did on the Halloween event.

David Futcher: Commented that Governor Inslee and other candidates would be coming to speak in Kelso this Friday, at 1:00 p.m., in front of Bill Ammon's barbershop.

There being no further business, Mayor Futcher adjourned the meeting at 7:50 p.m. . .



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