

Pastor Marvin Kasemeier, from New Song Worship Center, gave the invocation. Mayor Nancy Malone led the flag salute. Mayor Malone called the Regular Meeting of the Kelso City Council to order. Councilmembers in attendance were David Futcher, Kim Lefebvre, Nancy Malone, Mike Karnofski, Jeffrey McAllister, and Larry Alexander. Councilmember Hill was absent.

Minutes: Upon motion by Councilmember Lefebvre, seconded by Councilmember Futcher, 'Approve the Minutes of the 11/19/19 Regular Meeting,' motion passed, all voting yes.

PROCLAMATION:

Mayor Malone read a proclamation declaring December 2, 2019, as "Red Kettle Day" in the City of Kelso.

MOTION ITEMS:

Ordinance No. (1st Reading) Amending KMC 2.80 relating to the Procurement

Policy: The Deputy Clerk read the proposed ordinance by title only. Upon motion by Councilmember Futcher, seconded by Councilmember Lefebvre, 'Pass on 1st reading, 'AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF KELSO AMENDING CHAPTER 2.80 KMC RELATING TO CONTRACT APPROVALS AND EXECUTION,' motion passed, all voting yes.

Ordinance No. (1st Reading) Budget Revision No.3 for the 2019 Fiscal Year:

The Deputy Clerk read the proposed ordinance by title only. Upon motion by Councilmember Lefebvre, seconded by Councilmember Futcher, '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 2019-2020 BIENNIAL BUDGET OF THE CITY.' Motion passed, all voting yes.

Ordinance No. 19-3939 – Budget Revision No.1 Mid-Biennial Review for the 2020

Fiscal Year: The Deputy Clerk read the proposed ordinance by title only. Upon motion by Councilmember Lefebvre, seconded by Councilmember Futcher, 'Adopt Ordinance No. 19-3939, '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 2019-2020 BIENNIAL BUDGET OF THE CITY.' Motion passed, all voting yes.

MANAGER'S REPORT:

Andrew Hamilton: 1) Provided an update on current union negotiations. 2) Announced that Don Stout, from the Public Works Department, had recently retired. 3) Commented that the City had received a \$60,000 grant from the Office of Public Defense. 4) Reminder that Friday would be the Tree Lighting Festival, also, a recognition to Bill Ammons for his dedicated service to the community. 5) Announced that a former councilmember was currently recovering from a recent medical emergency.

STAFF REPORTS:

Finance Director/City Clerk Brian Butterfield: Provided an update on the Initiative 976 challenge. He commented that it depended on the ruling of the court if Transportation Benefit District revenue collected in 2020 would be available to the City.

City Attorney Janean Parker: Commented that an agreement for a pole license with Verizon Wireless would be forthcoming.

Community Development Department Director/City Engineer Mike Kardas: Provided an update on the purchasing of properties relating to the West Main Realignment Project.

Library Manager Natalee Corbett: Announced that the Kelso Library would be hosting a concert by the Ukulele Association on December 11th, at 6:00 PM. She commented that Santa would be making an appearance.

Chief of Police Darr Kirk: 1) Announced that the last two offers for the police officer positions were accepted. 2) Provided an update on the forthcoming K9 Program. 3) Reminder that Saturday is the 'Shop with a Cop' event.

OATH OF OFFICE – Kelso Police Department: Chief of Police Darr Kirk administered the oath to Officer Brian Rominger and Officer Austin Foley.

COUNCIL REPORTS:

Larry Alexander: Commented that ARRR Pirates 'Day of Giving' event is December 15th, at the VFW Hall in Longview, 10:00AM – 4:00PM.

Jeffrey McAllister: No report.

Mike Karnofski: Commented that the December meeting for the Kelso Business Group would be Thursday, 9:00AM, at city hall.

Kim Lefebvre: No report.

David Futcher: No report.

Nancy Malone: No report.

CITIZENS' BUSINESS:

Shannon Wallace, from Kelso, invited all to attend the Kelso Music Boosters 2nd Annual Holiday Gala at the Lower Columbia College Rose Center, on December 16th and 17th.

There being no further business, Mayor Malone adjourned the meeting at 6:24PM.



MAYOR



CITY CLERK