

Pastor Larry Jones, from Faith 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 Jeffrey McAllister, Keenan Harvey, Lisa Alexander, Nancy Malone, Richard McCaine, Kim Lefebvre, and Mike Karnofski.

Minutes: Upon motion by Councilmember McAllister, seconded by Councilmember Karnofski, 'Approve the Minutes of the 8/3/21 Regular Meeting,' motion passed, all voting yes.

OATH OF OFFICE: Chief of Police Darr Kirk administered the oath to Officer Eric Swenningson.

PRESENTATION:

Southwest Washington Regional Airport 2022 Budget: Airport Manager Chris Paolini provided an informational presentation on the 2022 airport budget. Upon motion by Councilmember Lefebvre, seconded by Councilmember Harvey, 'Adopt the 2022 draft budget for the Southwest Washington Regional Airport and approve the City Manager to accept a \$500,000.00 loan from WSDOT Aviation.' Motion passed, all voting yes.

CITIZENS BUSINESS:

Robin Schulthies, from Kelso, spoke about vaccine mandates.

Dennis Ott, from Kelso, spoke about vaccine mandates.

CONSENT AGENDA:

1. **Auditing of Accounts:** \$2,242,550.71

Upon motion by Councilmember McAllister, seconded by Councilmember Lefebvre, 'Approve the Consent Agenda and the Auditing of Accounts in the amount of \$2,242,550.71,' motion carried, all voting yes.

COUNCIL BUSINESS:

Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) Grant Offer – Southwest Washington Regional Airport: Upon motion by Councilmember Alexander, seconded by Councilmember Karnofski, 'Accept the grant offer and approve the City Manager to enter into a grant agreement with the FAA in the amount of \$32,000.00.' Motion passed, all voting yes.

Ordinance No. (1st Reading) Renewing NoaNet Franchise Agreement: The Deputy

Clerk read the proposed ordinance by title only. Upon motion by Councilmember Lefebvre, seconded by Councilmember Harvey, 'Pass on 1st reading, 'AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF KELSO, WASHINGTON RENEWING THE GRANT OF A FRANCHISE TO THE NORTHWEST OPEN ACCESS NETWORK ("NOANET") TO PROVIDE FOR THE TRANSMISSION, DISTRIBUTION, AND SALE OF COMMUNICATIONS AND TELECOMMUNICATIONS SERVICES.' Discussion followed. Motion passed, all voting yes.

Ordinance No. (1st Reading) Amending KMC Chapter 3 – Collection Costs

Recoverable: The Deputy Clerk read the proposed ordinance by title only. Upon motion by Councilmember Lefebvre, seconded by Councilmember Karnofski, 'Pass on 1st reading, 'AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF KELSO, WASHINGTON ADOPTING A NEW CHAPTER 3.34, COLLECTION COSTS RECOVERABLE TO THE KELSO MUNICIPAL CODE TO ADDRESS THE COLLECTION AND WRITE OFF OF DEBT.' Discussion followed. Motion passed, all voting yes.

MANAGER'S REPORT:

Andrew Hamilton: 1) Provided a Cowlitz County COVID-19 statistics update. 2) Commented on National Night Out. 3) Reported on the 2021 Washington City Management Association Summer Conference he recently attended. 4) Commented on United Way Day of Caring event which will be September 10, 2021. 5) Reminder that the Highlander Festival Parade will take place at 10:00 AM, September 11th, 2021. The Highlander Festival will be September 11th & 12th, 2021, at Tam O' Shanter Park. 6) Spoke about Pastor Marvin Kasemeier and his contributions to the city.

STAFF REPORTS:

Chief of Police Darr Kirk: 1) Provided an officer staffing update. 2) Reported on the Cowlitz County Behavioral Health Unit. 3) Spoke about the new Cowlitz 911 Dispatch Center currently under construction.

COUNCIL REPORTS:

Jeffrey McAllister: No report.

Mike Karnofski: 1) Commented on the Cowlitz County Behavioral Health Unit. 2) Spoke about Pastor Marvin Kasemeier. 3) Provided an update on two cleanup projects scheduled for the Day of Caring event. 4) Reported that the next Kelso Business Association meeting would be held August 25, 2021, at 9:00 AM, via Zoom.

Richard McCaine: Spoke about the Raising Hope 5K Walk & Run which will be held Saturday, September 11th, 2021, at 10:00 AM, and the Luminaria Ceremony at 7:30 PM. Both events will be held at Lake Sacajawea.

Keenan Harvey: No report.

Lisa Knight Alexander: No report.

Kim Lefebvre: No report.

Nancy Malone: Spoke about Pastor Marvin Kasemeier and his contributions to the community.

There being no further business, Mayor Malone adjourned the meeting at 6:52 PM.



MAYOR



CITY CLERK