

Mayor David Futcher led the flag salute. The Regular Meeting of the Kelso City Council was called to order by Mayor Futcher. Councilmembers in attendance were: Futcher, Webb, Roberson, McDaniel, Myers, Schimmel, and Karnofski.

Minutes: Upon motion by Councilmember Roberson, seconded by Councilmember Myers, 'Approve the Minutes of the 1/18/11 Regular Meeting,' motion carried, all voting yes.

STUDENT REPRESENTATIVE:

Sophomore Class President Joe McDaniel: 1) We are gearing up for Spirit Week. 2) The district wrestling tournament is on Friday and Saturday at Hudson's Bay. 3) Girls senior night will be Friday. 4) Spring sports will begin February 28th. 5) The Tolo Dance, with a neon theme, will be March 12th.

PRESENTATIONS:

Cowlitz 2 Fire & Rescue

Assistant Chief Alan Headley presented the 2010 Annual Report which shows that more than half of their calls were for the City of Kelso. Approximately eighty percent of the calls Cowlitz 2 responded to were EMS calls. Actual fire calls still remain one of the lower percentages. Overall, calls are down slightly from last year. Also presented was the Deputy Fire Marshal's 2010 End of Year Report, with an emphasis on the work performed for the City of Kelso. Alan spoke about receiving a \$373,000 grant through FEMA's Assistance to Firefighters Grant Program which will allow them to reinstate a portion of their part-time firefighters. Saturday at 1:00 p.m. the Guns and Hoses Flag Football Game will be held at Kelso High School. This is a fundraiser between law enforcement and firefighters to benefit cystic fibrosis. A short discussion followed.

Airport Master Plan

John Yarnish of URS Corporation, gave a power point presentation of the Airport Master Plan. Mr. Yarnish said developing the master plan has been a long and complicated process. Some of the topics discussed were the master plan process, forecast of based aircraft, forecast of aircraft operations, findings and recommendations, and implementation planning. Mayor Futcher noted the full report is available on the website. Discussion followed.

CONSENT AGENDA:

1. **2011 Lodging Tax Advisory Committee Funds Allocation**
2. **Purchase New John Deere Mower for Parks Department (\$5,037.95)**

3. **Contract Amendment with Kennedy/Jenks for Bid Preparation and Construction Services (Paxton Road Reservoir) Project #590703, in the amount of \$263,036**
4. **Contract with Gibbs & Olson for Construction Management Services for waterline replacement projects, Project #590903, in the amount of \$127,820**
5. **Adopt Airport Master Plan**

Upon motion by Councilmember Roberson, seconded by Councilmember Webb, 'Approve the Consent Agenda,' motion carried all voting yes.

MOTION ITEMS:

Resolution No. 11-1037 - Updating Rates for the Use of Kelso Parks and Recreation Facilities: The Deputy City Clerk read the proposed resolution by title only. Upon motion by Councilmember McDaniel, seconded by Councilmember Schimmel, 'Pass Resolution No. 11-1037, 'A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF KELSO AMENDING RESOLUTION NO. 08-959, ADOPTED IN JANUARY 2008, UPDATING RATES FOR THE USE OF KELSO PARKS AND RECREATION FACILITIES,' motion carried, all voting yes.

Resolution No. 11-1038 - Declare Parks Mower Surplus: The Deputy City Clerk read the proposed resolution by title only. Upon motion by Councilmember Myers, seconded by Councilmember Webb, 'Pass Resolution No. 11-1038, 'A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY OF KELSO, WASHINGTON, DECLARING CERTAIN PERSONAL PROPERTY OF THE CITY OF KELSO TO BE SURPLUS AND DIRECTING THE DISPOSITION THEREOF.' A short discussion followed. Public Works Director David Sypher asked Councilmembers if it would be acceptable to sell the 1986 Toro mower, rather than trading it in, as he has someone who might be interested in purchasing it. It was the consensus of the Council to allow the mower to be sold. Motion carried, all voting yes.

Resolution No. 11-1039 - Declaring Certain Property Surplus (9 Police Department Vehicles): The Deputy City Clerk read the proposed resolution by title only. Upon motion by Councilmember McDaniel, seconded by Councilmember Myers, 'Pass Resolution No. 11-1039, 'A RESOLUTION OF THE KELSO CITY COUNCIL DECLARING CERTAIN PROPERTY AS SURPLUS AND DIRECTING THE DISPOSITION THEREOF.' Councilmember Webb asked what happens to vehicles and items that are declared surplus. Discussion followed. Motion carried, all voting yes.

Ordinance No. 11-3741 - Adopting Revised Chapters 1, 2, 3 & 4 of the KEDM: The Deputy City Clerk read the proposed ordinance by title only. Upon motion by Councilmember McDaniel, seconded by Councilmember Myers, 'Adopt Ordinance No. 11-3741, 'AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF KELSO AMENDING ORDINANCE NO. 10-3728, UPDATING CHAPTERS 1, 2, 3 AND 4 OF THE KELSO ENGINEERING DESIGN MANUAL,' motion carried, all voting yes.

Ordinance No. 11-3742 - Surplus and Transfer City Owned Property at 102 1st Avenue N. W., Parcel No. 20904 (Ziegler Family Trust): The Deputy City Clerk read the proposed ordinance by title only. Upon motion by Councilmember Myers, seconded by Councilmember McDaniel, 'Adopt Ordinance No. 11-3742, 'AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF KELSO DECLARING CERTAIN REAL PROPERTY AS SURPLUS AND AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO CONVEY THE PROPERTY IN EXCHANGE FOR CERTAIN NEEDED RIGHT OF WAY.' A short discussion followed. Motion carried, all voting yes.

MANAGER'S REPORT:

Dennis Richards: 1) Happy February! Be glad you live here and not in the Midwest where they are having so much snow and ice. 2) I will be giving Library Manager Cindy Donaldson's report. Tonight is the first family story time at their new location and she wanted to be there because they are expecting a great turnout. Cindy said the library has been busy, especially on Saturday. A manager at J. C. Penney said their business has picked up due to people going through the store on their way to the library. Borders Book Store has also reported more sales since the library has opened. There were over 943 volunteer hours during the library's move in December and January. That figure doesn't include the Kelso High Basketball Team, volunteers from Cowlitz 2, or other people who just stopped by to help out. The library has issued 160 new library cards since January 15th, with 36 of them being purchased by non residents from Kalama, Castle Rock, Toutle, Cathlamet, Rainier, Clatskanie, and Longview.

STAFF REPORTS:

Janean Parker: No report

David Sypher: 1) We are looking for some solutions to get the potholes repaired and we are taking care of them once a month in order to fix the ones that are dangerous. I am looking into an interlocal governmental agreement that might work and will bring a report to Council at a later date. Discussion followed about the possibility of using volunteer labor to fix the potholes; however, City Attorney Janean Parker indicated this is not a good idea due to liability issues. 2) The crews are staying very busy and I want to commend them for their efforts. 3) Councilmember Roberson thanked David and the crew for fixing some of the potholes on Yew Street.

Andrew Hamilton: 1) The Longview and Kelso Police and Cowlitz County Sheriff's Departments are currently accepting applications for the Citizens' Police Academy which begins March 9th. The ten-week course is from 6:30 p.m. to 9:30 p.m. 2) Our department assisted the Cowlitz County Sheriff's Department during the funeral services for Deputy Dave Anderson. 3) The end of January we had approximately thirty-four hours of overtime, which kept us within our budget. 4) We applied for a \$4,000 Washington Association of Sheriffs and Police Chiefs equipment grant. With that grant we will be able to install four new forward and backward radar units in our patrol cars.

5) Councilmember Myers suggested reminding citizens of the new 25 MPH speed limit on Allen Street.

Brian Butterfield: 1) The Finance Department had a busy month taking care of the IRS requirements such as W2's and 1099 statements. 2) I noticed sixteen people signed up for an original gun permit in January. Last year we had a total of fifty. I don't know if that's a good thing or not.

COUNCIL REPORTS:

James Webb: I recently attended the Parks Board Meeting. I would like to commend our City employees for working together. Parks employees are flagging for road jobs and the crews are working in the parks to help keep them clean. The new, more efficient, mower will be a great addition.

John Karnofski: No report

Rick Roberson: No report

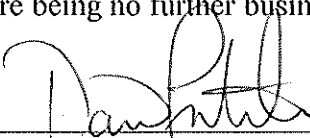
Todd McDaniel: 1) I am selling tickets for comedy night at the Kelso Theater Pub on February 25th. Proceeds will go to the Kelso High School 2011 alcohol free graduation party. 2) When we were going through the budget process, we discussed some possible revenue ideas such as a transportation district, library district and law and justice funding. I think we need to continue discussing our options. Mayor Fatcher suggested scheduling a workshop. It was the consensus of the Council to set the special workshop for Tuesday, March 8, at 6:00 p.m. Discussion followed.

Gary Schimmel: I attended a Public Health Department Advisory Committee Meeting recently and learned their funding is being cut by over \$360,000. Seven positions have been eliminated and some of their services are being drastically reduced or eliminated.

Dan Myers: 1) One of the big programs worth noting is CAP's ten-year program, with a goal to reduce the homeless population by fifty percent. CAP is in process of getting some grant money for that program. 2) Dan spoke about the Council of Government's transportation planning and some of their concerns pertaining to rail transportation.

David Fatcher: An economist will speak at the Economic Development Council's Annual Meeting on Thursday. Watch for an article about his predictions in the Daily News on Friday.

There being no further business, Mayor Fatcher adjourned the meeting at 7:59 p.m.



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