

Mayor Mike Karnofski led the flag salute. Mayor Karnofski called the Regular Meeting of the Kelso City Council to order. Councilmembers in attendance were Keenan Harvey, LaDonna Page, Mike Karnofski, Jim Hill, Brian Wood, and Lisa Alexander. Councilmember Kim Lefebvre was absent.

**Agenda Approval:** Councilmember Hill motioned to amend the agenda by adding a discussion item relating to scheduling a public council workshop to amend the fireworks ordinance. Motion died due to lack of a second.

Upon motion by Councilmember Alexander, seconded by Councilmember Page, 'Approve the Agenda as presented.' Councilmembers Alexander, Harvey, Karnofski, Page, and Wood voted yes. Councilmember Hill voted no. Motion passed, 5 to 1.

**Minutes:** Upon motion by Councilmember Harvey, seconded by Councilmember Alexander, 'Approve the Minutes of the 6/21/22 Regular Meeting.' Councilmembers Alexander, Harvey, Karnofski, Page, and Wood voted yes. Councilmember Hill voted no. Motion passed, 5 to 1.

**CITIZENS BUSINESS:** One citizen spoke from the audience.

**CONSENT AGENDA:** None.

**COUNCIL BUSINESS / MOTION ITEMS:**

**Contract Award – Tam O' Shanter Parking Improvements Project Phase III:** Upon motion by Councilmember Harvey, seconded by Councilmember Page, 'Approve the contract with Advanced Excavating Specialists for \$949,580.67.' One citizen spoke from the audience. Motion passed, all voting yes.

**Ordinance No. (1<sup>st</sup> Reading) Amending KMC Chapter 9.04 relating to the Possession of Weapons in Certain Public Locations:** The Deputy Clerk read the proposed ordinance by title only. Upon motion by Councilmember Wood, seconded by Councilmember Page, 'Pass on 1<sup>st</sup> reading, 'AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF KELSO, WASHINGTON AMENDING CHAPTER 9.04 KMC TO AMEND SECTION 9.04.010 TO ADD RCW 9.41.305 TO THE LIST OF STATUTES ADOPTED BY REFERENCE INTO THE KELSO MUNICIPAL CODE AND CORRECTING A CLERICAL ERROR.' Councilmembers Karnofski, Hill, Page, and Wood voted yes. Councilmembers Alexander and Harvey voted no. Motion passed, 4 to 2.

With the consensus of the Council, a citizen from the audience that missed the 'Citizens Business' portion of the meeting was allowed to speak at this time.

**Ordinance No. (1<sup>st</sup> Reading) Amending KMC 2.88.010 relating to the Hours of**

**Operation for City Business:** The Deputy Clerk read the proposed ordinance by title only. Upon motion by Councilmember Harvey, seconded by Councilmember Alexander 'Pass on 1<sup>st</sup> reading, 'AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF KELSO AMENDING KMC 2.88.010 TO PROVIDE AMENDED HOURS OF OPERATION FOR CITY BUSINESS OFFICES.' Motion passed, all voting yes.

**Resolution No. 22-1265 – Authorizing Purchases through a Federal Contract (Presented with Resolution No. 22-1264):** Upon motion by Councilmember Wood, seconded by Councilmember Harvey, 'A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY OF KELSO, AUTHORIZING BIDS FOR PROPERTY OF THE UNITED STATES AND PURCHASES MADE THROUGH A FEDERAL GOVERNMENT CONTRACT,' motion passed, all voting yes.

**Resolution No. 22-1264 – Amending the Procurement Policies and Procedure:** Upon motion by Councilmember Harvey seconded by Councilmember Page, 'Pass Resolution No. 22-1264, 'A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY OF KELSO, AMENDING THE PROCUREMENT POLICIES AND PROCEDURES.' Motion passed, all voting yes.

**Interlocal Agreement Extension – Stormwater Public Education and Outreach Program:** Upon motion by Councilmember Alexander, seconded by Councilmember Page, 'Move to approve the extension to the Stormwater Public Education and Outreach Program Interlocal Agreement,' motion passed, all voting yes.

### **MANAGER'S REPORT:**

**Andrew Hamilton:** 1) In response to a citizen's comment earlier in the meeting, he spoke about parking complaints. 2) Reported on the Annual AWC Conference he attended. 3) Commented on union contract negotiations. 4) Reminder that the National Night Out Event is August 2<sup>nd</sup>, at Tam O' Shanter Park. The Aug 2<sup>nd</sup> regular council meeting will, also, be held at the park.

### **STAFF REPORTS:**

**Community Development Department Director/City Engineer Mike Kardas:** 1) Reported that the Engineer position had been filled. 2) To follow-up from the last council meeting, he provided options to repair Ross Street. Lengthy discussion followed. With the consensus of the Council, staff was directed to bring back a comprehensive study of the city's road maintenance situation and a list of the roads in need of reconstruction for the upcoming workshop. To allow more time for staff to prepare, the workshop was moved from July 21, 2022, to August 16, 2022.

**Utility Operations Manager Devin Mackin:** 1) Provided an update on the 4<sup>th</sup> Avenue and Allen Street project. 2) Spoke about current sewer repair work on Red Path Street and SW 5<sup>th</sup> Avenue. 3) Reported on the Traffic Division and Parks Division activities.

**Chief of Police Darr Kirk:** 1) Announced that Washington Association of Sheriffs & Police Chiefs (WASPC) had awarded a grant to fund a Behavior Health Unit that would serve the county. WASPC awarded Kelso a grant to assist in funding the technology toward reducing vehicle theft. 2) Provided a staffing update.

**COUNCIL REPORTS:**

**LaDonna Page:** No report.

**Lisa Knight Alexander:** 1) Commented that there is a special River Cities Transit Authority Board meeting next Thursday at 3:30 followed by the regular meeting. 2) Announced that the first 'Lonnie Knowles Christmas in July' toy drive event is July 16<sup>th</sup>, at Tam O'Shanter Park.

**Brian Wood:** Reported on the Three Rivers Regional Wastewater Oversight Board meeting he recently attended.

**Keenan Harvey:** 1) Reported on the Annual AWC Conference he attended. 2) Reported on the Longview-Kelso Chamber of Commerce Board Meeting he recently attended. 3) Commented that the drawing for the Kelso Rotary Duck Race will be held at the Highlander Festival. 4) Commented that he had the opportunity to converse with a candidate running for Congress on how she could help the City of Kelso if elected.

**Jim Hill:** 1) Spoke about petitions signed in support of improving the Kelso Senior Center facility. 2) Spoke about a council workshop to discuss reducing the time for the use of fireworks in the City.

**Mike Karnofski:** On behalf of the Kelso Business & Community Association, he thanked staff for their assistance in coordinating the ceremony for Bill Ammons. 2) Reported on the Transit Authority Board meeting he recently attended. 3) Reported on the exit conference with the state auditors. He reported that Kelso was given a clean audit. 4) Commented that he and Councilmember Alexander have met regarding downtown codes and food truck requirements in preparation for a future workshop.

There being no further business, Mayor Karnofski adjourned the meeting at 6:57 PM.

  
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**CITY CLERK**