

Mayor Malone called the Regular Meeting of the Kelso City Council to order. Councilmembers in attendance were Jeffery McAllister, Mike Karnofski, Kim Lefebvre, David Futcher, Keenan Harvey, Lisa Alexander, and Nancy Malone.

**Minutes:** Upon motion by Councilmember Lefebvre, seconded by Councilmember Alexander, 'Approve the Minutes of the 12/1/20 Regular Meeting,' motion passed, all voting yes.

**CITIZEN'S BUSINESS:** None.

**CONSENT AGENDA:**

1. **City of Kelso 2021 Legislative Agenda**
2. **Agreement: Onsite Computer Support Services for 2021-2022**
3. **Water Treatment Chemical Purchase Award Bids for 2021**
4. **Auditing of Accounts: \$1,891,088.42**

Upon motion by Councilmember Lefebvre, seconded by Councilmember Karnofski, 'Approve the Consent Agenda and the Auditing of Accounts in the amount of \$1,891,088.42,' motion carried, all voting yes.

**COUNCIL BUSINESS:**

**South Kelso Railroad Crossing Agreement Amendment – Walsh Consulting Group:**

Upon motion by Councilmember Futcher, seconded by Councilmember Harvey, 'Authorize the City Manager to sign the amendment to the agreement with Walsh Consulting Group.' Discussion followed. Motion passed, all voting yes.

**School Resource Officer Agreement Amendment:** Upon motion by Councilmember Lefebvre, seconded by Councilmember Alexander, 'Approve the amendment to the contract with the Kelso School District,' motion passed, all voting yes.

**MOTION ITEMS:**

**Ordinance No. 20-3951 – Final Budget 2021/2022:** The Deputy Clerk read the proposed ordinance by title only. Upon motion by Councilmember Alexander, seconded by Councilmember Lefebvre, 'Adopt Ordinance No. 20-3951, 'AN ORDINANCE RELATING TO MUNICIPAL FINANCE AND ADOPTING A BUDGET FOR THE CITY OF KELSO FOR THE 2021/2022 FISCAL YEARS.' Motion passed, all voting yes.

**Ordinance No. 20-3952 – Budget Revision No. 3 for the 2020 Fiscal Year:** The Deputy Clerk read the proposed ordinance by title only. Upon motion by

Councilmember Harvey, seconded by Councilmember Karnofski, 'Adopt Ordinance No. 20-3952, '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 a COVID-19 update. 2) Spoke about meetings he had recently attended. 3) Announced the names of the 9 individuals that submitted applications for the upcoming council position vacancy. 4) Spoke about David Futchter's service to the community as a councilmember and 10 years as the mayor.

**STAFF REPORTS:**

**Finance Director/City Clerk Brian Butterfield:** Commented that David Futchter will be missed. He commented that he appreciated Mr. Futchter's dedication to the City and his good sense of humor for all these years.

**Airport Manager Chris Paolini:** Thanked Mr. Futchter for all his service to the airport. He will be greatly missed.

**Chief of Police Darr Kirk:** 1) Commented that Mr. Futchter's involvement with the police department was greatly appreciated. 2) Reported on the 'Shop with a Cop' event that was held last Saturday. 3) Spoke about the COVID-19 testing provided at the expo center located at the county fairgrounds.

**Community Director/City Engineer Mike Kardas:** 1) Provided an update on the West Main Realignment Phase 2 Project. 2) Reported on recently completed drainage projects. 3) Provided an update on the South Kelso Railroad Crossing Project. 4) Commented that knowing Mr. Futchter has been a real pleasure.

**Library Manager Natalee Corbett:** 1) Commented that Mr. Futchter will be sorely missed. 2) Announced that winter activity kits were available at the curbside service. She commented that the library card appointments were going well and that the mobile printing service was ongoing.

**COUNCIL REPORTS:**

**Lisa Knight Alexander:** 1) Reported on the Rick Huckaby Memorial Toy & Food Drive

that was held last Saturday. She thanked the community for making it a great success. 2) Thanked David Futcher for all his years on the Council.

**Keenan Harvey:** 1) Commented that he assisted with the recent Walk & Knock Food Drive. 2) Acknowledged Mr. Futcher's service to the community and that he will be missed.

**Jeffrey McAllister:** No report.

**Kim Lefebvre:** 1) Commented that Cal Ripken Baseball has rated Rister Stadium number 88 in the nation. 2) Commented that David Futcher will definitely be missed.

**Mike Karnofski:** 1) Commented that he appreciated everything that Mr. Futcher had done on the Council. 2) Provided an update on the CARES Act funding assistance to local businesses.

**Nancy Malone:** Spoke about how she appreciated all the help Mr. Futcher had given her and that he will definitely be missed.

**David Futcher:** Thanked the public for their commitment to the City. He thanked his fellow councilmembers, and the staff. He encouraged citizens to get involved in making Kelso a strong community.

**EXECUTIVE SESSION:**

At 6:35 PM, Mayor Malone announced that the Council would convene into executive session to discuss qualifications for appointment. The executive session was expected to last approximately 25 minutes and action would be taken. The City Attorney was not present.

At 7:00 PM, Mayor Malone announced that the executive session would be extended approximately 30 minutes.

The Council reconvened into regular session at 7:18 PM

Upon motion by Councilmember Alexander, seconded by Councilmember Harvey, 'Interview Richard McCaine, Kelburn Koontz, Roy Parsons, and Desiree Cheung, for the upcoming council vacancy.' Mayor Malone commented that the interview process would begin at a special meeting scheduled on January 5, 2021, at 4:00 PM, prior to the regular council meeting. Motion passed, all voting yes.

There being no further business, Mayor Malone adjourned the meeting at 7:21 PM.

*Nancy Malone*

**MAYOR**

*Brian Fuller*

**CITY CLERK**