

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, Kim Lefebvre, Nancy Malone, David Futcher, Larry Alexander, and Mike Karnofski. Councilmember Jim Hill was absent.

**Minutes:** Upon motion by Councilmember Lefebvre, seconded by Councilmember Futcher, 'Approve the Minutes of the 7/02/19 Regular Meeting,' motion passed, all voting yes.

**CITIZENS' BUSINESS:**

**Aaron Babcock**, from Longview, read aloud a document titled 2019 Thurston County State of Washington Second Amendment Sanctuary Ordinance.

**Holly Norris**, from Kelso, spoke about staffing agencies.

**CONSENT AGENDA:**

1. **Contract Closeout:** Haussler Road Pavement Repairs, Advanced Excavating Specialists, LLC.

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

**COUNCIL BUSINESS:**

**Contract Award – 2019 Pavement Repairs on Sunrise Street and Fisher Lane:** Upon motion by Councilmember Lefebvre, seconded by Councilmember Futcher, 'Award the contract to Advanced Excavating Specialists, LLC in the amount of \$77,160,' motion passed, all voting yes.

**Discussion – City Hall Security:** Interim City Manager/Finance Director/City Clerk Brian Butterfield briefed the Council on safety concerns from the staff for inside and outside city hall. Chief of Police Darr Kirk spoke about the increase in confrontations at night with police officers and the public. He spoke about a security fence with motorized gates. Discussion followed. The consensus of the Council was to direct staff to bring back safety enhancement proposals.

**Discussion – City Manager Transition Update:** Councilmember Futcher distributed a list of six candidates that were selected by the subcommittee. He commented that the subcommittee had considered a special meeting on July 19<sup>th</sup> to begin the interview process. Discussion followed. The Council directed staff to move forward with scheduling the interviewees for July 19<sup>th</sup>.

**MOTION ITEMS:**

**Resolution No. 19-1211 – Haussler Road Sewer Repair Emergency Work:** The Deputy Clerk read the proposed resolution by title only. Upon motion by Councilmember Futcher, seconded by Councilmember Lefebvre, 'Pass Resolution No. 19-1211, 'A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY OF KELSO FINDING THE SEWER PIPE REPAIR ON HAUSSLER ROAD TO BE A SPECIFIC EMERGENCY AND APPROVE CONTRACT FOR EMERGENCY REPAIR WORK WITHOUT FORMAL BIDDING.' Motion passed, all voting yes.

**MANAGER'S REPORT:**

**Interim City Manager/Finance Director/City Clerk Brian Butterfield:** 1) Provided an update on the financial software conversion. 2) Commented that he would be out of the office for the rest of the week.

**STAFF REPORT:**

**Chief of Police Darr Kirk:** 1) Provided a staffing update. 2) Commented that the National Night Out event would be at the first regular council meeting in August located at Tam O'Shanter Park.

**COUNCIL REPORTS:**

**Mike Karnofski:** 1) Reported on the Association of Washington Cities Conference he recently attended. 2) Commented that the Children's Museum 'Water Fun Day' is on Sunday, August 11, 2019, in the parking lot north of city hall.

**Larry Alexander:** No report.

**David Futcher:** No report.

**Kim Lefebvre:** 1) Commented that she attended the Lower Columbia Community Action Program Board meeting and that everything was going great. 2) Commented that she attended the re-dedication event for the 1916 Oregon Trail marker at the Cowlitz County Historical Museum.

**Jeffrey McAllister:** No report.

**Nancy Malone:** No report

There being no further business, Mayor Malone adjourned the meeting at 6:33 PM.

*Nancy Malone*  
MAYOR

*Brian Smith*  
CITY CLERK