

Pastor Marvin Kasemeier, from New Song Worship Center, gave the invocation. Deputy Mayor Lefebvre led the flag salute. Deputy Mayor Lefebvre called the Regular Meeting of the Kelso City Council to order. Councilmembers in attendance were Jim Hill, Jeffrey McAllister, Kim Lefebvre, David Fatcher, Larry Alexander, and Mike Karnofski. Mayor Nancy Malone was absent.

Minutes: Upon motion by Councilmember Alexander, seconded by Councilmember Fatcher, 'Approve the Minutes of the 9/3/19 Regular Meeting,' motion passed, all voting yes.

Police Officer Recognition: Chief Darr Kirk, on behalf of Officer Aaron Marthaller, accepted a mock award "Honorary Knighthood in the Order of Giant Spider Defenders". The award was for Officer Marthaller's service on a 911 call regarding a large spider on the porch of a citizen's home.

PRESENTATION:

Verizon Small Cell Network: Verizon Engineer Steve Coon provided a brief presentation on the wireless network. This would densify the network to accommodate the increasing need for mobile data. Discussion followed.

CITIZENS' BUSINESS:

Rick Von Rock, from Kelso, spoke about the Washington State Legislature House Bill 1406 discussed at a Cowlitz County Commissioners meeting he recently attended.

Cindy Crane, from Kelso, spoke about homeless camping near North 1st Avenue.

Ruth Zimmerman, from Kelso, spoke about homeless camping near North 1st Avenue.

CONSENT AGENDA:

1. **Auditing of Accounts:** \$2,439,351.37
2. **Contract Award:** Janitorial Service – Cabbros Cleaning Service

Upon motion by Councilmember Fatcher, seconded by Councilmember McAllister, 'Approve the Consent Agenda and the Auditing of Accounts in the amount of \$2,439,351.37,' motion carried, all voting yes.

MOTION ITEMS:

Ordinance No. 19-3931 – Repealing Penalties on Delinquent Utility Accounts: The Deputy Clerk read the proposed ordinance by title only. Upon motion by

Councilmember Alexander, seconded by Councilmember McAllister, 'Adopt Ordinance No. 19-3931, 'AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF KELSO, WASHINGTON REPEALING ORDINANCE NO 12-3761 RELATING TO PENALTIES ON DELINQUENT UTILITY ACCOUNTS, motion passed, all voting yes.

Ordinance No. 19-3932 – 2019 Budget Revision No.2: The Deputy Clerk read the proposed ordinance by title only. Upon motion by Councilmember Futcher, seconded by Councilmember Karnofski, Adopt Ordinance No. 19-3932 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.

Ordinance No. 19-3933 – Interfund Loan G.O. Bond Fund to Arterial Street Fund: The Deputy Clerk read the proposed ordinance by title only. Upon motion by Councilmember Futcher, seconded by Councilmember Alexander, 'Adopt Ordinance No. 19-3933, 'AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF KELSO AUTHORIZING THE TRANSFER OF FUNDS FROM THE G.O. BOND FUND TO THE ARTERIAL STREET FUND AND PROVIDING FOR THE REPAYMENT OF SUCH LOAN', motion passed, all voting yes.

STAFF REPORTS:

Library Manager Natalee Corbett: Announced that in celebration of National Library Card Sign-up Month and 'Banned Books Week', local police officers and a firefighter would be participating at the storytime event on Saturday.

Chief of Police Darr Kirk: Provided an update on the latest police academy graduates.

COUNCIL REPORTS:

Mike Karnofski: 1) Thanked all those who turned out for the recent clean-up event. 2) Commented that he appreciated the Zonich brothers for their downtown building improvement.

Larry Alexander: No report.

David Futcher: 1) Commented that the committee did a great job on the Highlander Festival this year. 2) Encouraged his fellow councilmembers to attend the AWC Cities on Tap 2019 event in Vancouver, WA, on Oct. 30th.

Jim Hill: Commented that he received many compliments on the improvements at Tam O'Shanter Park.

Jeffrey McAllister: No report.

Kim Lefebvre: Thanked the Cowlitz County Humane Society regarding a recent experience she had there.

There being no further business, Deputy Mayor Lefebvre adjourned the meeting at 6:28 P.M.


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