

**CITY OF KALAMA
CITY COUNCIL MEETING
JANUARY 2, 2008**

1. OPENING

Mayor Pete Poulsen opened the City Council meeting at 7:00 p.m.

A. Flag Salute

Mayor Poulsen led those present in the Pledge of Allegiance.

B. Roll Call

Councilmembers present were Adam Smee, Dominic Ciancibelli, Chuck Hutchinson, Don Purvis, and Bud Gish. City staff present were Director of Public Works Carl McCrary, Acting Deputy Clerk Sue Seay, and Police Chief Bruce Hall. City Attorney Paul Brachvogel was absent. Members of the public present are listed on the sign-in sheet.

2. EXECUTIVE SESSION - None

3. CHANGES TO THE AGENDA - None

4. PRESENTATIONS & AWARDS

A. Oath of Office - Re-Elected Councilmember

Acting Deputy Clerk Sue Seay administered the oath of office to re-elected Councilmember Chuck Hutchinson. The new term began January 1, 2008.

5. PUBLIC HEARINGS - None

6. PUBLIC COMMENTS/CONCERNS - None

7. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

All items were tabled until the January 16, 2008 meeting.

8. NEW BUSINESS

A. Election of Mayor Pro Tem for 2008

Councilmember Chuck Hutchinson moved that Councilmember Adam Smee be elected Mayor Pro Tem for 2008. Councilmember Bud Gish seconded, and the motion passed unanimously.

9. ORDINANCES & RESOLUTIONS

10. CORRESPONDENCE - No items were brought forward or comments made.

11. MAYOR'S REPORT & COUNCILMEMBERS' REPORTS

A. Mayor Pete Poulsen had no report.

B. Councilmember Adam Smee stated he had not had a chance to talk to Director of Public Works Carl McCrary. Councilmember Smee indicated that so far he was disappointed with the streetscape proposal and said there will probably be another meeting with the engineer regarding this project.

C. Councilmember Dominic Ciancibelli had no report.

D. Councilmember Chuck Hutchinson reported he had met the police dog and talked with Sergeant Parker, the dog's handler. Officer Parker had indicated that the dog training experience has been very challenging and educational. Mayor Pete Poulsen wanted to let everyone know the dog is trained to find all kinds of narcotics, not just marijuana.

E. Councilmember Donald Purvis noted he had attended a Envision Kalama meeting and he had a draft layout of the proposed McMenamins at the Port. On January 26, Mark Wilson from the Port will be documenting artifacts for the new interpretive center. That evening a fundraiser will be held to raise money to purchase trees for downtown Kalama. The fundraiser will feature jazz music by Mac Potts. A \$550 donation buys one tree; a \$200 donation would represent a tree trunk; and branches are \$20.

F. Councilmember Bud Gish had no report.

12. DEPARTMENT REPORTS

A. Director McCrary indicated that since the Kingwood culvert project was declared an emergency, there has been response from Cowlitz County and the Department of Transportation. The DOT will be here Monday. They will clean the culvert out all the way to the Columbia Inn. The streetscape project estimate came in at \$900,000 just to Geranium. Director McCrary will be meeting with the traffic engineer from the City of Longview. The PUD is looking up records. A meeting with the PUD will be arranged later in the week. Director of Public Works Carl McCrary presented an end-of-year report which showed pictures from projects worked on throughout the year. Councilmember Ciancibelli commented on the Hendrickson Drive culvert project. The ability to pull the pipe through the old culvert was amazing.

B. Police Chief Bruce Hall reported that their end-of-year report will show that crime has declined. The only increase has been in child abuse cases. Usually Kalama has about four or five of these cases a year, and there were three in December.

C. Clerk/Treasurer Coni McMaster – No report.

D. City Attorney Paul Brachvogel – No report.

13. CONSENT AGENDA

Councilmember Adam Smee made a motion the City Council approve the Consent Agenda including approval of Claims Vouchers totaling \$141,742.45 for December 2007; approval of Payroll vouchers totaling \$122,634.32 for December 2007; the Minutes of the December 19, 2007 City

Council Workshop; and Minutes of the December 19, 2007 City Council meeting. Councilmember Don Purvis seconded, and the motion carried.

14. EXECUTIVE SESSION – None

15. ADJOURNMENT

Mayor Poulsen adjourned the meeting at 7:20 p.m. These minutes are not verbatim. A copy of the tape can be made available for listening.

Pete Poulsen - Mayor

Sue Seay – Acting Deputy Clerk