

**CITY OF KALAMA
CITY COUNCIL MEETING
SEPTEMBER 16, 2009**

1. OPENING

Mayor Pro Tem Bud Gish opened the City Council meeting at 7:00 p.m. Mayor Pro Tem Gish led those present in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Councilmembers present were Adam Smee and Don Purvis. Mayor Pete Poulsen, Councilmember Dominic Ciancibelli, and Councilmember Chuck Hutchinson were absent. City staff present were Director of Public Works Carl McCrary and Clerk/Treasurer Coni McMaster. Members of the public present are listed on the sign-in sheet.

2. EXECUTIVE SESSION

Mayor Pro Tem Bud Gish announced the Council would be going into executive session on the Teamster contract negotiations for about 10 minutes. The meeting resumed at 7: 15.

3. CHANGES TO THE AGENDA - None

4. PRESENTATIONS & AWARDS - None

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5. PUBLIC HEARINGS - None

6. PUBLIC COMMENTS/CONCERNS - None

7. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

A. Teamster Contract Proposal September 1, 2009 - June 30, 2012

Councilmember Adam Smee made a motion the City Council accept the proposed contract with the Teamsters union employees beginning September 1, 2009 to June 30, 2012. Councilmember Don Purvis seconded, and the motion carried.

B. Downtown Street Project - Authorization for Small Change Orders

Director of Public Works Carl McCrary explained that in the best interest of keeping the Downtown project moving forward he is requesting the Council's approval to allow him to approve small change orders of \$8000 or less. This has been the way small change orders have been handled on other projects. All the change orders will be reported to the City Council. Councilmember Don Purvis made a motion the City Council authorizes the Director of Public Works to approve individual change orders of less than \$8000 during the construction of the First Street Improvement Project Phase 2. Councilmember Adam Smee seconded, and the motion carried.

8. NEW BUSINESS - None

9. ORDINANCES & RESOLUTIONS - None

10. CORRESPONDENCE

- A. Letter to Cowlitz PUD from Mayor & Council**

11. MAYOR'S REPORT & COUNCILMEMBERS' REPORTS

- A.** Mayor Pete Poulsen was absent
- B.** Councilmember Adam Smee had no report.
- C.** Councilmember Dominic Ciancibelli was absent.
- D.** Councilmember Chuck Hutchinson was absent.

E. Councilmember Donald Purvis reported on the Parks Committee meeting where they discussed the future goals for parks and recreation in the City. Included for 2010 would be some improvements to the paths at Horizon Park and the basketball court. For the future they are still looking at improving pedestrian trails, including how to connect to the Port trails, and the possibility of adjoining bicycle trails. Councilmember Purvis also noted he would be attending the Health Board meeting next week where they will be discussing the expected flu outbreaks for the fall and winter.

- F.** Councilmember Bud Gish had no report.

12. DEPARTMENT REPORTS

A. Director of Public Works Carl McCrary presented two written reports. He noted the First Street project is moving right along. The contractor has received a lot of cooperation from the business owners in the areas being affected. He noted there are some issues with the landscaping design in the original plans, and some changes are being proposed. Mr. McCrary reported that the mural project is proceeding. They had great volunteers turn out to help, and now the finishing details are being added. He hopes to get it seal coated as soon as it is completed. Mr. McCrary commended Assistant Public Works Director Kelly Rasmussen, who was present at the meeting, for all his hard work. He goes above and beyond to serve the City and it is greatly appreciated.

- B.** Police Chief Bruce Hall was absent.

C. Clerk/Treasurer Coni McMaster provided the August Treasurer's report. She reminded the Council of the upcoming meetings next week with the Council Budget workshop on Monday at 6pm, the Council education class on Tuesday at 6pm and the County Summit on Wednesday at 6pm in Longview. The Joint Entity meeting will be held on Tuesday, September 29, 2009 with the Port hosting the meeting.

- D.** City Attorney Paul Brachvogel was absent.

13. CONSENT AGENDA

Councilmember Adam Smee made a motion the City Council approve the Consent Agenda including Claims Vouchers Totaling \$46,185.23, and the City Council minutes of September 2, 2009. Councilmember Don Purvis seconded, and the motion carried.

14. EXECUTIVE SESSION - None

15. ADJOURNMENT

Mayor Pro Tem Gish adjourned the meeting at 7:30 p.m. These minutes are not verbatim. A copy of the tape can be made available for listening.

Bud Gish - Mayor Pro Tem

Coni McMaster - Clerk/Treasurer