

**CITY OF KALAMA
CITY COUNCIL MEETING
APRIL 7, 2010**

1. OPENING

Mayor Pete Poulsen opened the City Council meeting at 7:00 p.m. Mayor Poulsen led those present in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Councilmembers present were Adam Smee, Dominic Ciancibelli, Chuck Hutchinson, Don Purvis, and Bud Gish. City staff present were Director of Public Works Carl McCrary, Clerk/Treasurer Coni McMaster, and Police Chief Bruce Hall. Members of the public present are listed on the sign-in sheet.

2. EXECUTIVE SESSION

3. CHANGES TO THE AGENDA - None

4. PRESENTATIONS & AWARDS

A. Proclamation - April as Sexual Assault Awareness Month

Mayor Pete Poulsen read the proclamation proclaiming April as Sexual Assault Awareness Month.

5. PUBLIC HEARINGS - None

6. PUBLIC COMMENTS/CONCERNS

A. Washington Citizens for Responsible Government - E-Verify

Mr. Allen Rogers of Washington Citizens for Responsible Government addressed the Council regarding E-Verify. This is a web based service used by the Federal Government and Homeland Security to verify the citizenship and immigration status of prospective employees for public and private sector jobs. Mr. Rogers discussed the effects that the hiring of illegal aliens causes for the country's citizens, mainly on employment and wages. He noted that a few states actually mandate the use of the E-Verify system. He is requesting Kalama consider adopting a resolution or ordinance for using the system. Councilmember Dominic Ciancibelli suggested that they take these recommendations to the local contractor's associations since they would be doing hiring of employees.

Mr. Jon Russell, Mayor Pro Tem of the City of Washougal, noted that Washougal recently passed a resolution adopting the E-Verify system be used by any contractors they use for projects over \$100,000. They believed that with all the federal requirements for stimulus money that this added another layer of protection for the City. He recommended the City consider adopting it as well. Mr. Russell also commended Officer Traub for his dedication to the community which he learned of during a ride along with Officer Traub a few weeks ago.

Mr. Chuck Miller, the CEO of Washington Citizens for Responsible Government asked if the Council believed that the "rule of law counts in America" and if "we are a sovereign nation"? He provided some statistics on the number of illegal aliens that cross into this country and work in the states which is a Homeland Security and jobs issue. He noted that the E-Verify system helps to protect the citizens and the legal immigrants. Several neighboring cities and counties are considering adopting ordinances as well. A copy of the City of Lynnwood's ordinance was provided. They use it for the city and for all contractors who do work for them. The program is run by the Federal government. Mayor Poulsen asked why the feds were not mandating this be used in conjunction with federal funding. Mr. Miller stated that it should be, but that it had not been passed by the congress. The three gentlemen asked the Council to consider the adoption of the use of E-Verify.

Mr. Jim Dickey, of 448 S. Second Place in Kalama noted that the information provided was full of facts and figures. He stated that laws can be adopted, but that the big issue is to be sure they are enforced after adoption.

7. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

A. Award Bid for City Hall ReRoof

The City received two bids for the replacement of the roof on City Hall. It was noted that the project includes the painting of all the plaster portions of the building, but did not include the sealing of the brick. The Council will need to decide if there are any color preferences for the building as the plan is to change the color of the building. A fifteen minute break was taken so that Councilmembers could take a look at the detailed plans. When the meeting resumed, Councilmember Bud Gish made a motion the City Council award the bid for the City Hall Re-Roof project to the low bidder, Roof Toppers, in the amount not to exceed \$72,648.00. Councilmember Adam Smee seconded. It was noted that the fund would come from the Capital Improvement Funds which is from the real estate excise taxes. The motion carried.

8. NEW BUSINESS

A. Parks and Recreation Committee-Resignation of Josie Laroy

The opening has been posted.

B. Lower Green Mountain Reservoir Project

Director of Public Works Carl McCrary explained that the Lower Green Mountain Reservoir holds only 10,000, gallons and there have been low levels during the past summers. He has great concerns that there could be residents without water if something happens in this area with a pump or something else. He is proposing to take two steel tanks that are at the shop and add more storage to this area. The tanks are 5000 and 6000 gallons, so this would double the storage

in the area. The project would involve putting in a gravel road and water line, both of which would be used for the proposed future reservoir. The City crew would do most of the work, but the City would probably hire an excavator for the taking out the trees and trenching for the waterline. The trees would be delivered to the Department of Fish and Wildlife as part of the mitigation on the site.

Councilmember Smee asked what the immediate concern is. Mr. McCrary replied that he just fears that people will be out of water. There is no redundancy with the upper reservoir. The costs for doing this temporary storage will not be wasted as the road and waterline will be necessary when a larger reservoir is built. Councilmember Bud Gish made a motion the Council authorize the expenditures of up to \$50,000 from the water reserves to construct temporary additional storage facilities and permanent waterline for the Green Mountain Reservoir site. Councilmember Chuck Hutchinson seconded, and the motion carried.

C. City Hall - Proposal to Replace Carpet

Clerk/Treasurer Coni McMaster noted that staff is working to spruce up City Hall with fresh paint. At the suggestion of the Mayor, she requested quotes for the replacing of the carpet throughout the building. Mayor Poulsen added that with moving all the furniture to paint, it is the perfect time to also replace the old worn carpet. The carpet is 13 years old. The quotes came in from \$6500 to over \$8000. Councilmember Dominic Ciancibelli asked, why are we considering replacing the carpet in here (the Council Chambers) when it isn't in that bad of condition, when the Library is in great need of having their carpet replaced. After some discussion, the item was tabled until a bid could be received for the replacement of the carpet at the Library.

9. ORDINANCES & RESOLUTIONS

A. Ordinance No. 1256 - An Ordinance of the City Of Kalama, Washington amending the 2010 Budget to account for the unanticipated revenues and expenditures increasing the budget in the amount of \$ 14,200.00

Ordinance No. 1256 was read by title. Clerk/Treasurer Coni McMaster noted that this amends for the expenditures due to the vandalism at the Community Building which was reimbursed by insurance and the traffic signs at the school which were funded by a traffic safety grant. Councilmember Don Purvis made a motion the Council adopt Ordinance No. 1256 as read. Councilmember Bud Gish seconded, and the motion carried.

B. Ordinance No. 1254 - An Ordinance of the City Of Kalama, Washington amending Kalama Municipal Code Chapter 10 Vehicles And Traffic to address changes and code conformity

Ordinance No. 1254 was read by title. Councilmember Chuck Hutchinson made a motion the Council adopt Ordinance No. 1254 as read. Councilmember Don Purvis seconded, and the motion carried.

C Ordinance No. 1255 - An Ordinance of the City of Kalama, Washington amending the Kalama Municipal Code Chapter 6.04 Animals to conform with adopted changes in Kalama's zoning code and address the feeding of wildlife on public property.

Ordinance No. 1255 was read by title. Kalama resident Jim Dickey asked if this would prohibit the feeding of the deer on his property. The ordinance only addresses the feeding of animals on public property. Councilmember Don Purvis made a motion the City Council adopt Ordinance No. 1255 as read. Councilmember Bud Gish seconded, and the motion carried.

D. Resolution No. 548 - A Resolution of the City Council of the City Of Kalama adopting a City policy for the use of cellular telephones.

Resolution No.548 was read by title. Councilmember Bud Gish made a motion the Council adopt Resolution No. 548 as read. Councilmember Don Purvis seconded, and the motion carried.

10. CORRESPONDENCE

A. Zoe Ann Wheatley Letter - Downtown Parking Hazards

11. MAYOR'S REPORT & COUNCILMEMBERS' REPORTS

A. Mayor Pete Poulsen reported he attended a meeting with the Port of Kalama regarding a possible annexation along with Councilmembers Ciancibelli and Hutchinson.

B. Councilmember Adam Smee had no report.

C. Councilmember Dominic Ciancibelli reported the design/architecture committee had met. Jim Bain had worked up some information which was divided up between the members to review. They are proposing "unified appearance standards" rather than recommendations. Councilmember Don Purvis noted that they are working on five areas which are legal, intent, map and area, code applications, and design review/application. They will be meeting again on April 20th. It was noted that the Planning Commission is working on the sign code.

D. Councilmember Chuck Hutchinson had no report, but requested to be removed as Chamber liaison as he can never make the meetings. Councilmember Bud Gish agreed to take on the responsibility.

E. Councilmember Donald Purvis added to the earlier report on the design committee noting that information is being provided to City Planner Matt Herman as it moves forward.

F. Councilmember Bud Gish had no report.

12. DEPARTMENT REPORTS

A. Director of Public Works Carl McCrary provided a written report. He commended Chief Hall for getting the traffic signs through the traffic safety grant for the school area. He added his appreciation for Assistant Public Works Director Kelly Rasmussen's hard work in troubleshooting a recent problem with the Taylor Road area reservoirs and the Spencer Creek waterline. The problem involved all three pressure reducing valves on the lines. Mayor Poulsen informed the Council that the State Department of Health had awarded Carl the Water Operator of the Year award. They will be here on May 5th to present the award.

B. Police Chief Bruce Hall thanked Carl and added that the crew had worked to get the signs up right away. He reported that he has been working on updating some ordinances on disorderly conduct, parental responsibility or curfew and the noise ordinance.

C. Clerk/Treasurer Coni McMaster provided the quarterly treasurer reports. Currently the City is looking okay even though the sales tax revenues are down. She provided a copy of the proof for the Awesome Brochure which has been approved by the Chamber. The City will be paying \$1200 as agreed, and this is much more than they had received in the past. Ms. McMaster noted she is working on the annual report. It is now required that the report be reviewed, and she asked if anyone on the Council would like to do this. It is a detailed review. It can be done by someone outside the City as well. Councilmember Adam Smee agreed to review the report when it is ready. Ms. McMaster reported that the census is keeping the office busy. Since the forms are not being delivered to PO boxes and are available at City Hall. We are seeing a lot of people. Also Assistant Clerk Krystall Collins will be off on maternity leave beginning next week.

D. City Attorney Paul Brachvogel was absent.

13. CONSENT AGENDA

Councilmember Bud Gish made a motion the City Council approve the Consent Agenda including Claims Vouchers totaling \$79,611.14 for March 2010, Payroll Vouchers totaling \$71,881.29 for March 16-31, 2010 and the City Council minutes of March 17, 2010. Councilmember Chuck Hutchinson seconded, and the motion carried.

14. EXECUTIVE SESSION - None

15. ADJOURNMENT

Mayor Poulsen adjourned the meeting at 9:08 p.m. These minutes are not verbatim. A copy of the tape can be made available for listening.

Pete Poulsen - Mayor

Coni McMaster - Clerk/Treasurer