

**CITY OF KALAMA
CITY COUNCIL MEETING
AUGUST 18, 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, and Don Purvis. Councilmember Bud Gish was absent. City personnel present were Director of Public Works Carl McCrary, Police Chief Bruce Hall, and Acting Clerk/Treasurer Sue Seay. City Attorney Paul Brachvogel was also present. 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. Veterans Stand Down Day Proclamation

Mayor Pete Poulsen read the Proclamation for Veterans Stand Down Day, declaring September 15, 2010 as Veterans Stand Down Day in Kalama. Randy Hahn gave the Council an overview of the Stand Down Day. The first one was held in 2009. They were not sure how many people would participate. Their group decided if only one person showed up who could be helped it would be worth the work. About 200 people showed up. They try to meet immediate needs of the veterans, such as hot meals, showers, coats, tarps, and clothes. Information is provided for medical, dental, and transitional housing services. It is rewarding when someone is a client one year and returns to be a volunteer the following year. The Stand Down Day will be September 15, 2010 at the Longview Army National Guard Armory from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. Fliers with the information are being distributed.

There will be a coat and boot drive in Kalama, in the shop next to Poker Petes, on September 11, 2010 from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. Cash contributions are welcome, and the donations are tax deductible. The Kalama VFW is one of their main sponsors, and they also accept donations. The Kalama VFW phone number is 673-2415. The hall is open from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. People to contact regarding the Stand Down Day are Helen Reid, (360) 224-9634 and Grace Smith (360) 673-3724. There are Kalama veterans who have benefited from the Stand Down Day and have received services.

B. Mosquito Control Board Update

Dan Ohall and Del Gilkerson gave a slide presentation of the work being done this year by the Mosquito Control Board. In early March they check for larvae in places where it has been

found before and then kill them. There are about 1,000 sites in the County. It has been a year where the rivers flooded frequently, so they go to the islands such as Cottonwood and treat the flood waters. On March 25th, the helicopter was used to treat Cottonwood with larvicide. Only the areas under the trees were untreated. On June 12 they again used the helicopter and treated areas such as the Mint Farm, Longview interchange, and Cottonwood Island. They sprayed 786 acres at a cost of about \$12,000.

The Board has a hotline and received their first call March 25, 2010. There were no calls in June but in early July they received 320 calls over a 9-day period. Now things are back to normal. The end of the season is usually around September 15. They measure activity, which begins around sunset and is over by midnight, and they have a lab that tests for the West Nile virus. There are 19 species of mosquitoes identified. The mosquitoes that congregate near the rivers and flood waters are not the species that carry the virus. Mosquitoes that are found in tires, birdbaths, ruts – anything that can hold water for a week – are the type that would carry the virus. There have been no reports of the virus in the Kalama area.

The Board has a budget of \$250,000 and ten employees. For a person with a \$250,000 home, about \$7 of the property tax goes to support the Mosquito Board. Things the citizen can do to help with mosquito control are to fill in ruts, and clear away standing water, as well as use repellents and mosquito coils. Mayor Poulsen thanked the Dan and Del for the comprehensive presentation.

5. PUBLIC HEARINGS – Amend 6-Year Transportation Plan – Add Elm Street Underpass Enhancement

Director of Public Works Carl McCrary stated the same items were on the current 6-year Transportation Plan, only the Elm Street Underpass project had been added. The Elm Street project is also the only one that is funded. The different projects have been given new priorities on the proposed amendment. There were no questions or comments so the Public Hearing was concluded.

6. PUBLIC COMMENTS/CONCERNS - None

7. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

A. City Hall Roof – Update

D. City Hall South Side Window Replacement - Authorization

Councilmember Dom Ciancibelli reported the good news that most of the work on the roof has been completed. Only the portion of the roof over the Finance Department remains. Project Manager Barrentine has requested information from the contractor as to the current status of the work. The power washing must be completed before a determination can be made on any change orders. Dom has done a lot of research and noted the origin of the leak problems has not been addressed. Mayor Poulsen reminded the Council of the comprehensive report that had been provided by the Barrentine firm, but budget governs the decisions and repairs that can be made. Visqueen could be used to protect the south wall from further damage, but the Mayor

would prefer to speak with the Clerk/Treasurer when she returns and try to come up with additional funds so the leaks can be corrected. The Mayor will have Councilmember Ciancibelli

attend the meeting as well. Due to the fact the Council has a lot of people very knowledgeable about construction, their expertise should be utilized on any future projects.

- B. Engineering Proposals – Meeker Drive Sidewalk Project**
- C. Engineering & Surveying – General Services**

Director of Public Works Carl McCrary stated the Municipal Research roster was consulted and several firms were contacted for interviews. Councilmembers Chuck Hutchinson and Councilmember Dom Ciancibelli participated in the interviews of six firms. After the interviews, the group was unanimous in their decision. The group recommends Gray & Osborne for the general engineering services, Bluhm & Associates for surveying services, and Hammond Collier for the Meeker Drive project. Having a local surveying firm would provide the City with a quick response to any surveying needs. The group was “blown out of the water” by the presentation given by Hammond Collier for the Meeker Drive project. The firm’s “outside-of-the-box thinking” could very well enable the entire project to be completed. The Hammond Collier firm was well prepared, had the best time schedule, and had ideas that could save the City thousands. Mayor Poulsen said he would entertain a motion later in the meeting when decisions would be made on the resolutions.

8. NEW BUSINESS

A. State of Washington Department of Corrections Interlocal Agreement

Police Chief Hall stated this was simply a working agreement being done with small cities. The agreement outlines the relationship. The Kalama Police Department would provide space and utilities to Department of Correction personnel. Right now the same thing is being done in Woodland. This agreement will not cost the City any money. The Council was in agreement with the concept.

B. Greenhouse Gas Emissions Reduction Policy

Director of Public Works Carl McCrary explained that if this policy could be adopted by the end of the month, the Transportation Improvement Board would award the City three additional points on any project applications submitted. The policy is basically suggestions on ways to reduce greenhouse gas emissions, such as:

- Maximize the reduction of vehicle miles traveled.
- Limit resources required to conduct business, including electricity and structures.
- Minimize the use of printed materials to the extent possible.
- Reduce energy consumption in buildings and infrastructure.
- Promote and support the generation and use of alternative energy.
- Reduce consumption of fossil fuels associated with equipment procurement.
- Promote and support development patterns that encourage compact and transit friendly communities and protect natural resources.

Mayor Poulsen stated the Department of Ecology is working on a way to measure or

determine compliance with the policy. After discussion of the policy, a second set of lights in the Council Chamber were turned off. After the meeting, left-over water was used to water plants.

C. Appointment to Civil Service Commission

Mayor Poulsen highly recommended the Council support his re-appointment of Larry Rosson to the Kalama Civil Service Commission. Larry brings a wealth of experience and leadership skills to the Commission. The Council unanimously approved Larry Rosson's re-appointment to the Kalama Civil Service Commission for the term September 1, 2010 to September 1, 2016.

9. ORDINANCES & RESOLUTIONS

A. Resolution No. 550 – A Resolution pursuant to the requirements of RCW 35.77.101, Laws of the State of Washington, the City of Kalama has prepared a revised and extended Six Year Transportation Improvement Program for the ensuing six calendar years, 2011 through 2016.

Resolution No. 550 was read by title. Councilmember Hutchinson made a motion the City Council adopt Resolution No. 550 as read. Councilmember Smee seconded, and the motion carried.

B. Resolution No. 551 – A Resolution of the City of Kalama, Washington, declaring the 1988 GMC S-15 pickup truck surplus and authorizing disposal in the City of Kalama's best interest.

Resolution No. 551 was read by title. Councilmember Hutchinson made a motion the City Council adopt Resolution No. 551 as read. Councilmember Purvis seconded, and the motion carried.

C. Resolution No. 522 – A Resolution of the City of Kalama adopting a greenhouse gas emission reduction policy.

Resolution No. 522 was read by title. Councilmember Ciancibelli made a motion the City Council adopt Resolution No. 522 as read. Councilmember Purvis seconded, and the motion carried.

D. Engineering Services for 2010 to 2011 Projects

Councilmember Hutchison moved that the City Council rank the following engineering firms as first choice for various City projects: (1) General Engineering Services – Gray & Osborne, Inc.; (2) General Surveying – Bluhm & Associates; and (3) Meeker Drive Sidewalk Project – Hammond Collier. Councilmember Purvis seconded, and the motion carried.

10. CORRESPONDENCE

A. BNSF – Letter to Kalama Police Department

11. MAYOR'S REPORT & COUNCILMEMBERS' REPORTS

A. Mayor Pete Poulsen asked why lights have been wrapped around the light posts. Councilmember Ciancibelli understands these will be eventually automatically lit at dusk. The Mayor attended the car show. While there were not as many cars as the previous year, there were a lot of beautiful vehicles.

B. Councilmember Adam Smee had no report.

C. Councilmember Dominic Ciancibelli had no report.

D. Councilmember Chuck Hutchinson had no report.

E. Councilmember Donald Purvis had no report.

F. Councilmember Bud Gish was absent.

12. DEPARTMENT REPORTS

A. Director of Public Works Carl McCrary noted Chad Moon has placed first in the destruction derby at the County fair, and Chad's wife placed second. After giving highlights from the public works report, there was consensus a sewer line was needed from Kingwood to the Sewer Plant. Councilmember Purvis asked about the painting of crosswalks before school starts, and he was assured they would be completed by that time.

B. Police Chief Bruce Hall announced Jim Dickey has donated a 2001 Jeep Cherokee to the City of Kalama Police Department. This is a beautiful vehicle and the department is grateful. In past Council meetings, Jim Dickey would ring the bell in the Council Chamber whenever the City was awarded grant money. In recognition of Mr. Dickey's money-saving donation, Mayor Poulsen and Councilmember Purvis rang bells

The Junior Police Academy is finishing up. There were up to 20 youth in attendance. They enjoyed visits from the bomb squad, Secret Service, and a robot. It was gratifying to see the kids become knowledgeable about CPR. An after-school program is being considered. Chief Hall outlined the department's involvement in a hit and run call on Old Pacific Highway.

C. Acting Clerk/Treasurer Seay informed the Council Coni McMaster was attending training and would be back next Tuesday. Coni has started working on the 2011 budget. Krystall Collins is working part-time until September and then will be full-time.

D. City Attorney Paul Brachvogel had no report.

13. CONSENT AGENDA

Councilmember Chuck Hutchinson made a motion the City Council approve the Consent Agenda including Claims Vouchers Totaling \$105,789.08 for August,

Payroll Vouchers totaling \$48,211.02 for August 1-15, 2010, and the City Council minutes of August 4, 2010. Councilmember Dom Ciancibelli seconded, and the motion carried.

14. EXECUTIVE SESSION - None

15. ADJOURNMENT

Mayor Poulsen adjourned the meeting at 8:30 p.m. These minutes are not verbatim. A copy of the tape can be made available for listening.

Pete Poulsen - Mayor

Sue Seay - Acting Clerk/Treasurer