

**CITY OF KALAMA  
CITY COUNCIL MEETING  
AUGUST 4, 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 - None**

**3. CHANGES TO THE AGENDA - None**

**4. PRESENTATIONS & AWARDS**

**A. Evergreen Rural Water of Washington - Overview**

Director of Public Works Carl McCrary introduced Gary Rhoades and Derek Zock of Evergreen Rural Water Association. Mr. Rhoades provided the Council with an overview of what the Association does, which is to provide training and technical support to water and wastewater treatment operators throughout the state. They are affiliated with other state associations through National Rural Water whose current president is from Omak, Washington. It is a non-profit organization that is federally funded. Mr. McCrary noted that Kalama takes advantage of the trainings offered and calls on Evergreen often for technical support. Mr. Zock is the person that often responds to those requests. Assistant Public Works Director Kelly Rasmussen noted that Mr. Zock has been invaluable in teaching him and developing procedures for operating the pressure control valves the City uses. Mr. McCrary presented Mr. Zock with a certificate of appreciation. Mayor Poulsen stated that he has attended several trainings offered by Evergreen and found them to be beneficial. He was not aware of the national affiliation. He asked if the same types of issues are found all over the country. Mr. Rhoades responded that most areas are dealing with relatively the same issues.

**5. PUBLIC HEARINGS - None**

**6. PUBLIC COMMENTS/CONCERNS - None**

**7. UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

**A. City Hall-Library Replacement of Windows**

Clerk/Treasurer Coni McMaster provided the two proposals she had received for replacing the windows on the south side of the City Hall

building and repairing the front office windows. There were some questions whether the two companies were really bidding the same thing. Councilmember Dominic Ciancibelli agreed to take a look at the two bids and discuss the differences with the bidders. He would then report back to Ms. McMaster. The Council agreed that the low bid could be accepted, and the work could begin if it was found the bids were comparable. The expenditure would have to be brought back to the Council in the form of a budget amendment.

**B. Engineering Proposals**

Director of Public Works Carl McCrary informed the Council that he has had the engineering applicants look at the Meeker Drive Sidewalk project and requested they base their proposals on getting the most sidewalk for the grant funding. He will hold the interviews next week and then make recommendations back to the Council.

**8. NEW BUSINESS - None**

**9. ORDINANCES & RESOLUTIONS - None**

**10. CORRESPONDENCE - None**

**11. MAYOR'S REPORT & COUNCILMEMBERS' REPORTS**

**A.** Mayor Pete Poulsen thanked the Council for their participation in the Street dedication. He passed around the "thank you" note from County Commissioner Kathleen Johnson. He added that it has been a long project, but the final product is great for the community. He also thanked the Public Works crew for all their work in preparing the downtown for the event.

Citizen and KLTv cameraman Ben Purvis thanked the City Goodwill Club including organizers Carl McCrary and Sue Seay for the picnic that was put on last week. It was fun and everyone had a nice time.

**B.** Councilmember Adam Smee had no report.

**C.** Councilmember Dominic Ciancibelli had no report.

**D.** Councilmember Chuck Hutchinson reported the Chief and he had discussed the calls about home burglaries that have occurred in the last few days.

**E.** Councilmember Donald Purvis noted that the work on the City Hall has begun, but seems to have hit a snag. Clerk/Treasurer Coni McMaster noted that there is an issue with getting the new paint to adhere adequately. She has been in touch with the architect regarding the issue and why there isn't any work continuing on the roof while resolution is being sought. Mayor Poulsen requested that the architect be asked to attend the next Council meeting.

F. Councilmember Bud Gish report the Committee had met and discussed the many projects Public Works has going including the Green Mountain Road reserve tank and waterline, the Fifth Street generator, and the foundation work that is needed at the Community Building.

## 12. DEPARTMENT REPORTS

A. Director of Public Works Carl McCrary noted that a few sections of concrete in front of City Hall were removed due to cracking and chipping. There are only a few punch list items left to be done before the City can closeout the project. He continued that the City has received approval for some traffic enhancement funding for the Elm Street Underpass improvements in the amount of \$51,000. He requested a little over \$100,000. His plan is to make the sidewalks handicapped accessible, complete the northside mural, and put in some minor lighting. He is making a request to WSDOT to do the ramps as the sidewalk is the state's. This will be a project for next summer. Mr. McCrary and Assistant Public Works Director Kelly Rasmussen reported on the applications for TIB funding for the chipsealing of a portion of Old Pacific Highway South, sidewalks from Military along Cloverdale and out to Graystone, and fixing the failing area on Meeker Drive just past Nectarine. Mr. McCrary also noted that a new South Second Street sign has been ordered.

B. Police Chief Bruce Hall commented on the accident that took out the City street light at Kingwood and First. He also noted that he and some of the other staff will be helping in Lacenter with the Traveling Memorial Wall event.

C. Clerk/Treasurer Coni McMaster provided the July Treasurer's report. She also assured the Council that the recent issues with Cowlitz Bank and its being bought by Heritage Bank have had no effect on the City's funds nor the operations. She has a copy of the 2009 Annual Report on Heritage Bank if anyone would like to look at it.

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 \$72,325.30 for July, Payroll Vouchers totaling \$77,338.74 for July 16-31, 2010, and the City Council minutes of July 21, 2010 and the Council workshop minutes of July 21, 2010. Councilmember Don Purvis seconded, and the motion carried.*

14. EXECUTIVE SESSION - None

## 15. ADJOURNMENT

Mayor Poulsen adjourned the meeting at 7:55 p.m. These minutes are not verbatim. A copy of the tape can be made available for listening.

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**Pete Poulsen - Mayor**

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**Coni McMaster - Clerk/Treasurer**