

**CITY OF KALAMA
CITY COUNCIL MEETING
OCTOBER 6, 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, Assistant Public Works Director Kelly Rasmussen, 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. Kalama Library - READ KALAMA Project

Library Board Chairperson Mary Putka informed the City Council of the current "Read Kalama" program for the month of October. It is being sponsored by FOLK and Envision Kalama. One book has been purchased and distributed for citizens to read and pass along to others. It is "The River" which is a compilation of tales that occur along the Columbia River. The author Robin Cody is from the northwest. He will be present at the Library appreciation event on October 26th to sign the books. The program and event are to promote reading throughout Kalama.

5. PUBLIC HEARINGS - None

6. PUBLIC COMMENTS/CONCERNS (Out of Order)

Mr. Jim Dickey of 448 South Second Place commended the Public Works Department and the City Council for the First Street Project which looks very good. He has heard from others that tourists are very positive about the improvements and will return. The one blight is the building next door to City Hall which was involved in a fire nearly a year ago. The response to his concern was that codes would be reviewed about how the City can force the owners to take action to clean up the property. Several Councilmembers agreed that it does not promote the main street as it should. Mayor Poulsen stated he would contact the owners again to see if they will move forward. If not, then the City will take appropriate actions.

7. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

A. 2011 Safe Schools Grant - Authorization to sign

Police Chief Bruce Hall explained that this is a continuation of the grant the City has received over the last several years which covered costs for Junior Police Academy in 2010. This year the request from the school is to have an officer on site during lunch and recesses, patrolling the parking, and providing additional security. This is \$9000, and there will be some carryover from the 2010 grant as well. The proposed program will be a challenge to fill as the officers would have to be on overtime. Chief Hall is willing to fill the need and is checking to see if the grant will cover his time on the program. Councilmember Adam Smee made a motion the Kalama City Council authorizes the Mayor to sign the 2011 Safe Schools Grant. Councilmember Bud Gish seconded, and the motion carried.

8. NEW BUSINESS

A. Set Public Hearing for the 2011 Revenues & Ad Valorem Taxes

Clerk/Treasurer Coni McMaster asked the Council when they would like to hold the required public hearing on the 2011 revenues. After some discussion, which included concerns with the outcome of the upcoming elections it was decided to wait until November to hold the hearing. The Council set another Budget Workshop for before the October 20th Council meeting at 6 p.m.

9. ORDINANCES & RESOLUTIONS

A. Ordinance No. 1263 - An Ordinance of the City of Kalama, Washington amending the 2010 Budget to account for the unanticipated revenues and expenditures for projects increasing the Budget in the amount of \$129,000.00

Ordinance No. 1263 was read by Title. Councilmember Chuck Hutchinson made a motion the City Council adopt Ordinance No. 1263 as read. Councilmember Adam Smee seconded, and the motion carried.

B Resolution No. 552 - Readopt the Greenhouse Gas Emission Policy - Numbering error

Resolution No. 552 was read by Title. Clerk/Treasurer Coni McMaster explained the prior resolution was passed with the wrong number. Councilmember Bud Gish made a motion the City Council adopt Resolution 552 as read. Councilmember Don Purvis seconded, and the motion carried.

10. CORRESPONDENCE

A. Criminal Justice Training Certification for Kalama Police Department

Police Chief Bruce Hall explained that after an audit of his department's training records, the state has found they are in compliance and received a certificate from them.

11. MAYOR'S REPORT & COUNCILMEMBERS' REPORTS

A. Mayor Pete Poulsen asked about the length of the Meeker Drive Sidewalk project as it was presented in the advertisement which indicated it would be going from Nectarine Drive to Kress Drive. Director of Public Works Carl McCrary explained that the engineers for the project have provided a plan to asphalt the pathway rather than full concrete sidewalks which will allow the project to extend further out. It will begin where the sidewalk ends at Nectarine Drive.

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 reported he attended the Health Board meeting and several tourism meetings. When the City looks at the tourism budget for next year he will have some comments and information. The Health Department is experiencing budget cuts so is asking for input on what services it should focus on. He also noted that the Chamber will stop using the Community Building. He added that the Park Board will meet next week.

F. Councilmember Bud Gish had no report.

12. DEPARTMENT REPORTS

A. Director of Public Works Carl McCrary presented a written report. He highlighted several of the items including additional work on the Fifth Street Generator, the dry rot repairs at the Community Building and finally getting the street light at Eli Avery fixed. Mr. McCrary noted that the City has received numerous calls regarding the water since the Daily News article about the water problems at a private subdivision was released. This subdivision has a private water system and has nothing to do with the City. He did send an email to the paper regarding the issues. Councilmember Don Purvis had sent an email message to the paper regarding this as well. Several citizens also made calls.

Assistant Public Works Director Kelly Rasmussen provided some photos of the sewer line replacement the crew completed on N. Second Street. The line was probably originally placed back in 1956. They cut out and replaced about 12 feet of sewer line. Mr. Rasmussen stated that there are two more areas like this to do, one of which is 13 feet deep.

B. Police Chief Bruce Hall informed the Council that he attended the 911-Council meeting where their budget was discussed. Originally they were proposing to keep the budget at the 2010 level. Two other options were presented which would increase the budget from the 2010 level. The other cities seemed to be willing to allow this even though they will be considering staff cuts to cover their deficits. Chief Hall asked that the Mayor or a Councilmember attend the next meeting scheduled for tomorrow as they have the voting right

for the City. After some discussion Mayor Poulsen appointed Councilmember Purvis to attend and vote for the City.

C. Clerk/Treasurer Coni McMaster informed the Council that AWC will be holding a regional meeting on October 26th to discuss concerns of this area, if anyone wants to attend.

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 \$53,473.92, Payroll Vouchers for September 1-15th totaling \$53,952.38, Payroll Vouchers for September 16-30 totaling \$72,820.92, and the City Council minutes of September 15, 2010. Councilmember Don Purvis seconded, and the motion carried.

14. EXECUTIVE SESSION - None

15. ADJOURNMENT

Mayor Poulsen adjourned the meeting at 8:00 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