

**CITY OF KALAMA
CITY COUNCIL MEETING
October 2, 2013**

1. OPENING

Mayor Pete Poulsen opened the City Council meeting at 7:05 p.m. Mayor Poulsen led those present in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Councilmembers present were Mike Truesdell, Dominic Ciancibelli, Mike Dennis Langham, Don Purvis, and Mary Putka. City staff present were City Administrator Adam Smee, Superintendent of Public Works Kelly Rasmussen, Clerk/Treasurer Coni McMaster, and Police Chief Randy Gibson. City Attorney Paul Brachvogel was also in attendance. Members of the public present are listed on the sign-in sheet.

2. EXECUTIVE SESSION - None

3. PRESENTATIONS & AWARDS

4. PUBLIC HEARINGS

A. Public Hearing – Chilton Annexation Petition

Mayor Poulsen opened the public hearing. Clerk/Treasurer Coni McMaster explained the process and request. In April Mr. Craig Chilton proposed the annexation of 42 acres above China Garden Road. The City accepted the intent to annex provided the property would assume all of the City's indebtedness and the property would be zoned R-1 upon annexation. Mr. Chilton has now submitted the signed petition which has been certified by the County Assessor to contain signatures of property owners of at least 60% in value of the included property. This hearing is to take testimony on the annexation prior to the City making a decision on the petition. If the City accepts the petition, the request will be forwarded on the Boundary Review Board (BRB). Councilmember Ciancibelli asked if the City has an option to not accept the annexation since they have previously accepted the intent. It would be possible if an environmental or other problem were discovered with the proposed area that the City would find it to not be in the best interest of the City to move the annexation forward. Mr. Roy Vaughn a resident on Simmons Road asked if the neighbors would be annexed as well. No neighboring parcels have not been included on the petition as presented. He had concerns with additional costs and the ability to still shoot out in this rural area. It was explained that costs for water service would be reduced and the City's code sets some restrictions on shooting, but does not ban it in the rural areas of the City. Should any other property owners wish, they could petition to join the annexation. Once the proposal goes to the BRB, another entity, such as the County could invoke jurisdiction, and that would result in an additional hearing. If the BRB were to consider adding additional property to the request, they would also hold a public hearing and the neighboring property owners would be notified. Mr. Jeff Richter representing Mr. Chilton explained that this is view property that will be developed in the future. As the County is updating their comprehensive plan and looking at zoning in the County, plus the need for water are some of the reasons the owners have requested annexation. It is believed that having this develop within the City will be a benefit.

Any development would have to upgrade the water system in this area to meet the growth it would create. With no further comments, Mayor Poulsen closed the hearing.

Councilmember Don Purvis brought forward Resolution No. 595 and it was read by Title Councilmember Purvis made a motion the Council adopt Resolution No. 595 as read. Councilmember Mike Truesdell seconded, and the motion carried.

5. PUBLIC COMMENTS & CONCERNS

Cowlitz Co Substance Abuse Advisory Board and Kalama Community Coalition

Ms. Tina Day representing both organizations informed the Council of two upcoming training opportunities related to the I502 legislation and recovery options sponsored by the SAAB. The Coalition has received a \$75,000 mentoring grant for each of the next two years in conjunction with the ESD 12. The purpose will be to improve the outreach of the Coalition into the community by providing training for its members. After the two years, the Coalition will be eligible to apply for additional grant funding that could actually provide a full time staff position and site. Ms. Day noted that she wants to hear from the Council if they still feel that the Coalition is important to the Community. The recent resignation of the Chair has left a cap in the group and they are trying to regroup. Ms. Day requested that the Council let her know of anyone they think would be interested in helping with the coalition and be involved. This would have to be a strong volunteer as it will require some commitment for the next few years. The Council supports the organization and will do what it can to get the word out for volunteers. Mayor Poulsen congratulated them on getting the grant funding.

6. UNFINISHED BUSINESS – None

7. NEW BUSINESS – None

8. ORDINANCES & RESOLUTIONS

A. Ordinance No. 1317 – Adoption of 2012 International Building Codes

Ordinance No. 1317 was read by Title: An Ordinance adopting Chapters, 51-11, 51-50, 51-51, 51-52, 51-54, 51-56 and 51-57 of the Washington Administrative Code and amending KMC Section 14.04.02 regulating and governing the conditions and maintenance of all property, buildings and structures; by providing the standards for supplied utilities and facilities and other physical things and conditions essential to ensure that structures are safe, sanitary and fit for occupation and use; and the condemnation of buildings and structures unfit for human occupancy and use and the demolition of such structures in the City of Kalama; providing for the issuance of permits and collection of fees therefore; and providing that this ordinance shall be in full force and effect from and after. Councilmember Dominic Ciancibelli made a motion to adopt Ordinance No. 1317 as read. Councilmember Don Purvis seconded. Councilmember Ciancibelli asked about the City adopting the code and being able to enforce it. It was explained that the State requires the City to adopt the most current uniform building codes every few years and the City is able to add a few exemptions to address issues. The motion carried.

B. Ordinance No. 1318 – KMC Chapter 1 General Provisions – Vehicle Definition

Ordinance No. 1318 was read by Title: An Ordinance of the City of Kalama, Washington amending the Kalama Municipal Code Chapter 1 General Provisions Section 1.04.010 Definitions to include the definition of Vehicle to be used throughout the Code. It was explained that it has come from changes made to the parking code and a need for uniform definition throughout the code. The definition was read. Councilmember Ciancibelli made a motion the Council adopt Ordinance No. 1318 as read. Councilmember Mary Putka seconded, and the motion carried.

C. Ordinance No. 1319 - Correction to Water Code – KMC Section 12.04

Ordinance No. 1319 was read by Title: An Ordinance of the City of Kalama, Washington correcting Ordinance Number 1253 and amending Kalama Municipal Code Section 12.08.030 to correctly reflect the current amount of Low Income Utility Discount as established by Ordinance No. 1248 and allowing for the amount to be set by Resolution of the City Council in the future. Councilmember Ciancibelli made a motion the Council adopt Ordinance No. 1319 as read. Councilmember Mike Langham seconded. Clerk/Treasurer Coni McMaster explained that this was found during the audit where one ordinance inadvertently has reversed the increase in the low income discount as authorized in the previous ordinance. This was not intended, and this will correct the problem. The motion carried.

D. Ordinance No. 1321 – KMC Amendment to KMC Chapter 7 Litter Code

Ordinance No. 1321 was read by Title: An Ordinance of the City of Kalama, Washington amending Kalama Municipal Code Chapter 7 Health And Sanitation to address garbage receptacles in street right-of-way and outdated penalties for littering within the City limits. Councilmember Purvis made a motion the Council adopt Ordinance No. 1321 as read. Councilmember Putka seconded. This was to address the outdated penalties for littering from 1973 by adopting the state's three levels of penalties. It also addresses the leaving of garbage carts in the street after the scheduled pickup. The motion carried.

E. Ordinance No. 1322 – KMC Amendment to KMC Chapter 6 Animal Code

Ordinance No. 1322 was read by Title: An Ordinance of the City of Kalama, Washington amending the Kalama Municipal Code Chapter 6 Animals to correct Code references and update fines and penalties. It was asked if the code covers animals defecating on public property and the code does address it. Councilmember Purvis made a motion the Council adopt Ordinance No. 1322 as read. Councilmember Mike Truesdell seconded, and the motion carried.

F. Resolution No. 595 – Approval of Chilton Annexation – Refer to BRB – Acted on earlier in the meeting.

G. Resolution No. 596 – Adoption of the Hazard Mitigation Plan Update

Councilmember Purvis made a motion the Council adopt Resolution No. 596 adopting the Hazard Mitigation Plan update. Councilmember Langham seconded, and the motion carried.

9. CORRESPONDENCE

- A. Weyerhaeuser Letter – Headquarters Landfill Purchase**
- B. Letter to WUTC – Waste Control request for Rate Increase**

City Administrator Adam Smee explained that these both relate to the County taking on the new landfill site. Tipping fees are being increased, but Cowlitz County will still have one of the lowest tipping rates in the state. This allows the County to work to stabilize services and rates versus the plan to ship waste to eastern Washington which would be affected by the ups and downs of transportation costs.

10. MAYOR & COUNCILMEMBER REPORTS

- A. Mayor Pete Poulsen** had no report.
- B. Councilmember Mike Truesdell** had no report.
- C. Councilmember Dominic Ciancibelli** had no report.
- D. Councilmember Mike Langham** had no report.
- E. Councilmember Donald Purvis** had no report.

F. Councilmember Mary Putka reported the Library will be able to offer free online IT training through the State Library. Those taking the courses can then pay to take the test for certification. The READ Kalama book, *Glaciers* is now available at the Library.

11. DEPARTMENT REPORTS

A. City Administrator Adam Smee reported on the issue of I502 which legalizes the sale of marijuana which he has been reading and looking at what the City should be considering when it comes to addressing the issue in the community. He had to look up some of the terminology to under all the processed products that can be produced, some of which can be potentially dangerous. He will be bringing options back to the Council in the near future. There are significant state regulations that licensees will have to comply with. The Liquor Control Board has done well in addressing the issues.

B. Superintendent of Public Works Kelly Rasmussen presented his written report. He noted today's power outage on south end of town which has affected the pump stations and water supply. The power is back on now, so everyone has water. Kelly reported there were no damages reported from the weekend storm and the crew did not have to man the water plant continually to deal with the turbidity. They shut the plant for a short period and drew water from the two million gallon reservoir which can supply water for couple of days. Kelly noted the water plant and the crew are being featured in Water System Operator

magazine since it is a diatomaceous earth plant, which several hours with a photographer on site.

C. Police Chief Randy Gibson provided his statistical report providing some details on the case at the school and some animal issues. The new communications (CAD) system is up and running smoothly with only a few bugs to work out.

D. Clerk/Treasurer Coni McMaster provided the end of month report for September and the third quarter report on the budget which is looking fine. The audit is basically complete except for the exit conference which will be on October 17, 2013. She noted staff is continuing the work on the budget.

E. City Attorney Paul Brachvogel had no report.

12. **CONSENT AGENDA**

Councilmember made a motion the City Council approve the Consent Agenda including:

1. Claims Vouchers Totaling \$43,397.05 For September, 2013
2. Payroll Vouchers Totaling \$79,305.64 for September 16-30, 2013
3. Minutes of the September 18, 2013 City Council Workshop
4. Minutes of the September 18, 2013 City Council Meeting
5. Set Public Hearing on Ad Valorem (Property) Tax Levy and Revenue projections for 2014 for October 16, 2013 at 7 pm
6. Appointment of Pix Basso to the Library Board to fill the vacated term until January 2015.

Councilmember Don Purvis seconded the motion. The motion carried.

13. **EXECUTIVE SESSION - None**

14. **ADJOURNMENT**

Mayor Poulsen adjourned the meeting at 8:43 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