

Pastor Jerry Dahlke, North Gate Community Church, gave the invocation. Mayor David Futcher led the flag salute. The Regular Meeting of the Kelso City Council was called to order by Mayor Futcher. Councilmembers in attendance were: Futcher, Karnofski, Slater, Myers, McDaniel, Malella, and Student Representative Joey Tagliarino. Councilmember Roberson was absent from the meeting.

Minutes: Upon motion by Councilmember Slater, seconded by Councilmember Myers, 'Approve the minutes of the 6/2/09 Special Workshop, the 6/2/09 Regular Meeting, and the 6/8/09 Special Meeting,' motion carried, all voting yes.

STUDENT REPRESENTATIVE:

ASB President Joey Tagliarino: The following students elected to ASB positions for the 2009/2010 school year were introduced: Elle Mustion, Secretary; Grace Blum, Treasurer; Casey Birdsell, Publicity Manager; Erin Mueller, Historian; Caitlin Weingarz, Business Manager. Jarod Nickerson, Vice President, couldn't be here today.

PROCLAMATIONS:

Mayor Futcher read a proclamation in honor of **Councilmember Alan Slater** for his twenty-six years of dedicated service to the City of Kelso. Alan accepted the proclamation and passed it to his wife Jeanne. Mayor Futcher thanked Al for all the help he has given him during his years on the Council and said he will be missed.

Mayor Futcher read a proclamation in honor of the **Kelso High School State Champions** who realized their greatest potential as champions during the 2009 Spring WIAA State Championship games. Students and coaches accepted the proclamation.

Mayor Futcher called a five-minute recess. The meeting was called back to order at 7:18 p.m.

CONSENT AGENDA:

1. **Auditing of Accounts:** \$1,775,374.86
2. **Consultant Agreement for West Main Re-alignment Project Design Services with OTAK, Inc., (\$899,707):**

Upon motion by Councilmember McDaniel, seconded by Councilmember Karnofski, 'Approve the Consent Agenda and the Auditing of Accounts in the amount of \$1,775,374.86,' motion carried, all voting yes.

COUNCIL BUSINESS:

Ricoh Copy Machines \$23,983.33: City Manager Dennis Richards spoke about upgrading some of the copy machines. Ricoh has a program that allows them to provide funds to pay off current leases. The machine was tested in the Finance Department. Upon motion by Councilmember Myers, seconded by Councilmember McDaniel, 'Authorize the City Manager to sign the contract with Ricoh.' Finance Director/City Clerk Brian Butterfield said the copy machine that is being replaced is not user friendly and the service has not been good. Discussion followed. Motion carried, all voting yes.

Discuss Consideration of an Ordinance to Remove Deposit Fee for Political Signs:

Councilmember Myers spoke about the removal of deposit fees for political signs due to the staff time involved and the City not benefiting from deposits that are later refunded. Due to the increase in sign costs, Councilmember Myers thinks people should have more of an incentive to pick up their signs. Upon motion by Councilmember Myers, seconded by Councilmember McDaniel, 'Direct the City Attorney to prepare the necessary changes needed to remove the deposit fee required for political signs.' Community Development Director Michael Kerins suggested having a trial period to determine what the aftermath of this would be and how staff would be affected if the deposit is eliminated. Councilmember Myers withdrew his motion and Councilmember McDaniel withdrew his second to the motion. Discussion followed. Upon motion by Councilmember Myers, seconded by Councilmember Malella, 'Create a resolution to temporarily waive the \$50 political sign deposit for one cycle and reevaluate after the November election.' Discussion followed. Motion carried, all voting yes.

MOTION ITEM:

Ordinance No. 09-3703 – Amending the Comp Plan Land Use Map & Official Zoning Map: The Clerk read the proposed ordinance by title only. Upon motion by Councilmember McDaniel, seconded by Councilmember Myers, 'Adopt Ordinance No. 09-3703, 'AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF KELSO REVISING THE COMPREHENSIVE PLAN LAND USE MAP AND THE ZONING MAP AS PARTICULARLY DESCRIBED HEREIN,' motion carried, all voting yes.

MANAGER'S REPORT:

Dennis Richards: 1) In the short time I have been here, Councilmember Slater has provided valuable history that has been so helpful in the decision-making process. Alan will be missed. 2) The ultra lights at the airport were removed by their owners. 3) Mark your calendars for the following: The Branding Task Force Action Plan will be presented by Rick Winsman at a Council Workshop on Tuesday, June 30th, at 6:00 p.m. The Expo Center Feasibility Study Workshop will be Tuesday, July 7th. National Night Out is August 4th. 4) The beautiful flower baskets hanging in front of City Hall have all been donated by friends of City Hall. Anyone who would like to donate money towards a

flower basket can contact City Hall. 5) Our employee community enhancement committee is getting busy with the socks, shoes, and underwear drive to benefit kids at Wallace School. Donation boxes are located at City Hall and various businesses around the city.

STAFF REPORTS:

Janean Parker: 1) Alan you will be missed. I have enjoyed hearing your opinion on various matters. 2) At the last legislative session there was an amendment to the claims statute concerning the length of time someone can file a claim against the city and some changes to the form concerning what can be asked. An ordinance addressing some of the housekeeping issues will be brought to Council at a later date.

David Sypher: 1) The Three Rivers Waste Water Treatment Facility recently honored Alan Slater for his twenty-three years of service. He has saved the city a lot of money due to his good efforts and conservative attitude. I appreciate all the help Alan has given me. 2) Chip seal prep is done and we are waiting for the county to complete their work. 3) Prep work has begun on the 2010 overlay. 4) We are designing our three million dollar reservoir replacement. 5) The City has an excellent staff and City Manager Richards is a great leader. Everyone is working well together. 6) Spoke about the airport report that was heard at tonight's special meeting and the need to properly govern and finance it. If a regional airport is the way we want to go, quite a bit of financial commitment will be needed from each entity. 7) City Manager Richards spoke about a meeting he attended with representatives from COG, regional transportation, the airport, and train station. I think we are headed in the right direction. 8) Skate Park bids will be brought to the July 7th Council Meeting. Discussion followed.

Michael Kerins: I have enjoyed Alan Slater's stories. The history he has provided is very valuable and will be missed.

Library Report: Mayor Fatcher reminded citizens the summer reading program at the library starts this week. Interim Library Director Cindy Donaldson will be on KLTV tomorrow night at 7:00 p.m. to speak about the upcoming events.

Andrew Hamilton: 1) Officers worked on the Cedar Street traffic issue we heard about at the last Council Meeting. 2) Department staff interviewed seven officers for the open detective position. Officer Dave Voelker will be placed in that position June 30th as our second detective assisting Detective Mark Berglund. 3) Plans are being made for the National Night Out on Tuesday, August 4th. Officer Craig Christianson will be in charge of the festivities. 4) On behalf of the men and women of the Kelso Police Department, I would like to thank Councilmember Slater for his assistance over the years to make our department the professional organization it is.

Brian Butterfield: Congratulations Alan. Your history of Kelso will be missed. Enjoy your retirement!

Traci Gowdy: I will miss Alan's stories.

COUNCIL REPORTS:

Todd McDaniel: Al you have tried to think about what the citizens want. I have learned a lot from you.

Gerald Malella: I want to thank Al for all the time he has put in. I hope his prediction is wrong about the depression returning by the end of next year.

John Karnofski: Thank you Alan. You will be missed.

Dan Myers: 1) Alan, I have a lot of respect for you and I will miss you. 2) I agree with David Sypher that it is important to efficiently run the airport. Spoke about problems Sherwood had when a project wasn't managed properly. 3) Our depot volunteer group rode the train to Olympia to observe their volunteer program. Monday, June 29th, we will hold a business meeting.

Alan Slater: 1) I want to thank staff and Councilmembers for their wonderful comments. I am leaving the various issues in capable hands. 2) Please acquaint yourselves with the commercial businesses in West Kelso because the area is developing and Kelso needs a job base. Set your visionary process for twenty years or more and plan for what can happen. Think and plan for the betterment of Kelso.

David Futcher: When Al disagrees with someone, he has always been the most gracious person. That is what I have appreciated most. This has contributed to our ability to work together as a group. Al, we will miss you!

There being no further business, Mayor Futcher adjourned the meeting at 8:00 p.m.



MAYOR



CITY CLERK



CITY OF KELSO

FINANCE DEPARTMENT

As of This Date June 16, 2009

The City Audit Committee Does

Approve for Payment those Claims included in the above listing, and futher

described below, in the TOTAL AMOUNT of \$ 1,775,374.86

Voucher warrant Numbers: 152082 through 152267

In the Amount of \$ 1,001,667.10

Prepaid Warrant Numbers: 152020-152027 through 152054, 152081

In the Amount of \$ 147,447.44

Voided Warrant Numbers: 152053, 152153 through 152268

Payroll Deduction/Benefit
Claims Warrant Numbers 152028 through 152052

In the Amount of \$ 339,966.48

Payroll Warrant Numbers: 518579⁹⁸²⁷ through 518622⁹⁹³²

In the Amount of \$ 286,293.84

Voided Warrant Numbers: — through —

SIGNED: [Signature]
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Authorized for Payment per Council Action:

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