

Pastor John Jorgenson, Three Rivers Bible Church, gave the invocation. Mayor David Fatcher led the flag salute. The Regular Meeting of the Kelso City Council was called to order by Mayor Fatcher. Councilmembers in attendance were: Fatcher, Schimmel, Roberson, Malella, McDaniel, Myers, Karnofski, and Kelso Student Representative Joey Tagliarino.

**Minutes:** Upon motion by Councilmember Karnofski, seconded by Councilmember Myers, 'Approve the minutes of the 2/2/10 Special Council Workshop and the 2/2/10 Regular Meeting,' motion carried, all voting yes.

**KSD STUDENT REPRESENTATIVE:**

**Joey Tagliarino, ASB President:** 1) Both boys and girls wrestling took first at district on February 6<sup>th</sup>. Nine boys are going to state. The girls took first at regional and eight will go to state on February 19<sup>th</sup> & 20<sup>th</sup>. 2) The girls' basketball game is tonight and the boys' basketball game will be tomorrow night. 3) Winter training for track has started. 4) The election process for ASB will start next month.

**PUBLIC HEARING – STIP AMENDMENT:**

Mayor Fatcher opened the public hearing at 7:04 p.m. Public Works Director David Sypher gave a brief explanation of the revised agenda for the Six Year Transportation Improvement Program. Project No. 4, South Pacific overlay, is being added to the list of projects in anticipation of additional stimulus funds. Projects need to be listed in order to have the opportunity to apply for grants and other federal funds. The purpose of the public hearing is to allow citizens to comment on the South Pacific overlay. Mayor Fatcher invited citizens to comment on the Six Year Transportation Improvement Program. There were no comments from the public. Mayor Fatcher closed the public hearing at 7:08 p.m.

**PRESENTATIONS:**

**Kelso Police Department 2009 Annual Report:** Chief of Police Andrew Hamilton gave an informative power point presentation. He spoke about the highly-qualified police officers in the department. KPD employees are in full force of the "Team Kelso" concept that City Manager Dennis Richards often speaks about, as shown by their various activities in service to the community. KPD has also built partnerships with people in other agencies in order to work together when needed. Last year officers responded to 13,333 calls for service. The crime rate held steady last year after hitting a seven-year low in 2008. Councilmember Schimmel said Kelso has great police officers and he feels they are protecting our citizens. Mayor Fatcher said the Kelso Police Department has been a source of pride for the community and congratulated Chief Hamilton for continuing to lead the department in the direction it has been going.

**CONSENT AGENDA:**

- 1) **Auditing of Accounts:** January, 2010 \$ 364,272.09  
February, 2010 \$1,224,824.23
- 2) **Liquor License-Special Occasion:** Elks, 900 Ash
- 3) **WSDOT Right of Way Acquisition Procedures:**

Upon motion by Councilmember McDaniel, seconded by Councilmember Roberson, 'Approve the Consent Agenda and the Auditing of Accounts in the amount of \$364,272.09 for January and \$1,224,824.23 for February,' motion carried, all voting yes.

**MOTION ITEMS:**

**Ordinance No. 10-3726 – Recycling Site Dumping:** The Deputy City Clerk read the proposed ordinance by title only. Upon motion by Councilmember Roberson, seconded by Councilmember McDaniel, 'Adopt Ordinance No. 10-3726, 'AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF KELSO REGULATING THE DUMPING OF REFUSE, JUNK, RUBBISH AND GARBAGE AT KELSO RECYCLING DROPSITES; AMENDING KMC 8.04.010 BY ADDING NEW DEFINITIONS; AND ADDING A NEW SECTION ENTITLED "UNLAWFUL ACTS", TO BE CODIFIED AS KMC 8.04.075.' Discussion followed. Councilmembers Schimmel, Roberson, Malella, McDaniel, Myers, and Futchter voted yes. Councilmember Karnofski voted no. Motion passed 6 to 1.

**Resolution No. 10-1015 - Adopting Revised STIP (Six-Year Transportation Improvement Program 2010-2015):** The Deputy City Clerk read the proposed resolution by title only. Upon motion by Councilmember McDaniel, seconded by Councilmember Roberson, 'Pass Resolution No. 10-1015, 'A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY OF KELSO, WASHINGTON, ADOPTING A REVISED SIX-YEAR TRANSPORTATION IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM FOR CONSTRUCTION OF STREET IMPROVEMENTS, AS MORE PARTICULARLY DESCRIBED HEREIN.' Mayor Futchter said this program includes projects we would like to take care of. As stated in the public hearing, they need to be put on the list to be eligible for money that may be available in the future. Discussion followed. Motion carried, all voting yes.

**MANAGER'S REPORT:**

**Dennis Richards:** 1) Suggested having a workshop at 6:00 p.m. on March 16<sup>th</sup> to discuss the Six-Year Transportation Improvement Plan. 2) Last November, Amtrak representatives informed us that stimulus money was available to upgrade stations. They visited our depot and made notes about possible improvements. We received word that they may begin work at the depot around March. 3) I received a letter from the Government Financial Officers Association stating Finance Director/City Clerk Brian Butterfield will be receiving a Certificate of Achievement Plaque for Excellence in Financial Reporting for 2008. 4) Councilmember Myers spoke about the compliments

he and other volunteers have received about the train station. Dennis said people have really appreciated having the station manned by the volunteers. It is a real asset to the community.

**STAFF REPORTS:**

**David Sypher:** I will be presenting the Public Works Annual Report at the next Council Meeting. Councilmembers were given the 2010 work plan and the 2009 report which will be discussed at that time.

**Michael Kerins:** No report

**Andrew Hamilton:** No report

**Brian Butterfield:** No report

**COUNCIL REPORTS:**

**John Karnofski:** No report

**Dan Myers:** 1) An individual, who has experience in economic development, would like to volunteer his services. Let me know if you have a project, and I will contact the individual. 2) I went to Olympia for a rally concerning new taxes because I wanted to get a feel about where our economy is headed. We need to think about our priorities and the role of government.

**Todd McDaniel:** No report

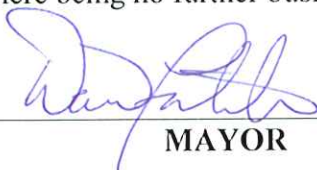
**Gerald Malella:** Volunteers have been working hard at the Senior Center and it will probably open within the month. They are trying to get some grant money for some of the improvements. If you are over fifty and have \$5, you can become a member.

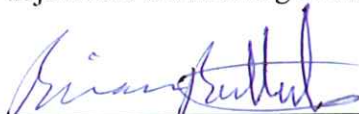
**Rick Roberson:** No report

**Gary Schimmel:** No report

**David Futcher:** No report

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

  
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