

**City of Kittitas  
Council Meeting Minutes  
August 26, 2008**

Mayor Arington called the meeting of the Kittitas City Council to order at 7:00 p.m., August 26, 2008. Councilmembers present: Alvord, Turpin, and Camarata. Councilmember Gay and Councilmember Gilmour were absent.

Staff present was Clerk/Treasurer Robin Newcomb and Chief Studer.

Mayor Arington led those assembled in the Flag Salute.

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

Councilmember Camarata moved to approve the amended minutes from the August 12, 2008, regular meeting and Councilmember Turpin seconded the motion. The motion passed 3 yes and 0 no. The changes made were the misspelling of Councilmember Alvord and identifying the New Life Assembly Church.

Councilmember Alvord moved to approve Councilmember Gay and Councilmember Gilmour absences. Councilmember Turpin seconded the motion. The motion passed 3 yes and 0 no.

**ADDITIONS TO AGENDA**

Mayor Arington – State Park Contract on Wilson Park

Councilmember Turpin moved to approve the revised agenda and Councilmember Camarata seconded the motion. The motion passed 3 yes and 0 no.

**REPORT OF OFFICERS AND SPECIAL GUESTS**

**Dog Variance – Gloria Kenoyer** – Councilmember Turpin moved to approve this dog variance for a miniature dachshund and Councilmember Alvord seconded the motion. The motion passed 3 yes and 0 no.

**Police Department** – Chief Studer reported he was informed by the sheriff's office that the police department will be receiving two vehicles from them for \$1 each.

He would like to surplus the white crown Victoria and the intrepid cars. This discussion will be continued at the September 9<sup>th</sup> meeting. The last payment on the intrepid is August 2009. A possibility would be to use it as a staff car.

If a part time officer was hired it would cost approximately \$22,000 per year which would use the 3/10's money. There would be about \$6,000 savings to the general fund from the current officers working less overtime and call outs. This discussion will be

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continued at the September 9<sup>th</sup> meeting.

**Staff Reports** – See reports in packets from the Court and Fire Department.

**Fire Department** – Mayor Arington would like to continue discussion on the AED unit at a later date once he has more information. Councilmember Turpin asked if the CPR class was open to the public. Mayor Arington will check with Chief Carbajal on this.

**Treasurer's Report** – See reports in packets.

**Delinquency Report** – See report in packets. Councilmember Turpin moved to approve the Mayor and office staff to follow the ordinance of collection of water and sewer charges as stated in the Kittitas Municipal Code. This came after the discussion of some customers having three months outstanding. Councilmember Alvord seconded the motion. The motion passed 3 yes and 0 no. Mayor Arington explained he will be recommending the Past Due Report in the future instead of this Delinquency Report.

Councilmember Turpin would like to see deposits returned to home owners after a two year period. This was discussed with no action taken.

**PUBLIC HEARING – SIX YEAR TRANSPORTATION PLAN**

The public hearing was opened. After some discussion, the public hearing was closed.

Councilmember Alvord moved to approve resolution #08-018R adopting the Six Year Transportation Plan. Councilmember Turpin seconded the motion. The motion passed 3 yes and 0 no.

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**UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

**Gambling Tax** – Mayor Arington explained he spoke with Bob McCollum who owns the Time Out Saloon. Mr. McCollum would like to see a flat rate rather than a percentage of gross receipts.

**Animal Control** – Mayor Arington requested the Animal Control of the City of Ellensburg to send a proposal to the City of Kittitas for animal control. The 3/10's money can be used for animal control. Mayor Arington would like to see a county animal control center.

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**Fire Department Grant Committee** – Mayor Arington has found one citizen, Jim Morgan that will work on this committee. If anyone has any suggestions, please let him know. In addition, the Mayor would like Councilmember Gilmour on the committee.

**NEW BUSINESS**

**Ordinance 08-017 – Amend Interfund Loan** – The public hearing was opened for discussion. The public hearing was closed. Councilmember Turpin moved to approve this ordinance and Councilmember Alvord seconded the motion. The motion passed 3 yes and 0 no.

**Ordinance 08-019 – Amend NSF Fees** – The public hearing was opened for discussion. The public hearing was closed. Councilmember Turpin moved to approve this ordinance and Councilmember Camarata seconded the motion. The motion passed 3 yes and 0 no.

**Washington State Parks Contract/Wilson Park** – Councilmember Turpin moved to approve this contract this year but possibly revise it for next year for additional funds. Councilmember Camarata seconded the motion. The motion passed 3 yes and 0 no.

**APPROVAL OF PAYMENT**

**Approval of August Bills** – Checks #12725 to #12748 for \$26,234.15 were moved to be approved by Councilmember Camarata and seconded by Councilmember Turpin. The motion passed 3 yes and 0 no.

**MAYORS REPORT**

**Fire Department Architect/Cal Jordan** – Mayor Arington explained he responded to Cal Jordan's responses on the contract changes and is waiting to hear back from him.

**Kittitas School** – Mayor Arington will be meeting with the school on several items including charging them for EMS services. Council wishes to not charge the school for any of these services. Another issue to discuss is the preschool that Headstart would like to open.

**Business Licenses** – The clerk's office has sent out delinquent notices to those businesses that haven't gotten a business license. Most of these businesses have responded and paid for their license.

**UGA** – The County is in the processing of going to Superior Court for a stay against the

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Eastern Washington Hearing's Board. Lisa Parks offered her services and help to Daryl Piercy with the County but he explained to her the County will handle it.

**COUNCIL DISCUSSION**

**ADJOURN**

Councilmember Alvord moved to adjourn the August 26, 2008, meeting. The motion was seconded by Councilmember Turpin. The motion passed 3 yes 0 no. Meeting adjourned at 8:50 p.m.

Attest: Mayor Arington \_\_\_\_\_

Clerk/Treasurer \_\_\_\_\_