

**City of Kittitas
Council Meeting Minutes
February 10, 2009**

Mayor Huber called the meeting of the Kittitas City Council to order at 7:00 p.m., February 10, 2009. Councilmembers present: Turpin, Gilmour, Camarata, Gay, and Alvord.

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

Mayor Huber led those assembled in the Flag Salute.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Councilmember Gay moved to approve the minutes from the January 27, 2009, regular meeting and Councilmember Camarata seconded the motion. The motion passed 5 yes and 0 no.

ADDITIONS TO AGENDA

Councilmember Alvord – Vehicle Surplus

Councilmember Turpin – Interlocal Sheriff's Agreement

Councilmember Gay moved to approve the amended agenda and Councilmember Camarata seconded the motion. The motion passed 5 yes and 0 no.

REPORT OF OFFICERS AND SPECIAL GUESTS

Kirk Holmes, Kittitas County Public Works Director – FEMA Disaster Mitigation –
See handout – Unable to attend. Councilmember Gilmour would like him to attend at a later date.

Library Board – Chairperson Marylou Gilmour reported they had about 83 kids for the Valentine's Party today along with some volunteers.

The Kittitas County Regional Library Board will meet February 25th in the library at 8:30 a.m. for a work session.

The Dora Cissell Fund lost about \$400 last year. The library board has requested to not take a draw and leave the money in the fund.

The library is working hard to re-establish their reference section. The Municipal Court had a sign and the library would like to use this. Council agreed to this.

There were more users in the library last month than all of last year.

Councilmember Gay moved to approve the surplus list and Councilmember Turpin seconded the motion. The motion passed 5 yes and 0 no.

There are several high school students doing their community service at the library.

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WWTP -- WWTP Operator has started ordering his parts that will use the remainder of the USDA RD Grant monies.

Public Works -- Public Works Lead Bosch is checking with the State Parks Department on the bridge repair.

Police Department – Chief Studer explained we need a sanitation committee made up of council members. Councilmember Gay and Turpin volunteered for this committee. Councilmember Alvord moved to approve this committee and Councilmember Turpin seconded the motion. The motion passed 5 yes and 0 no. Each dwelling in each trailer park needs to have a bin according to our city code. He would like to see this amended to a 64 gallon container.

There was some discussion on single family compared to multi family homes in the use of garbage cans.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Selection of Pro Tem Mayor – Councilmember Alvord nominated Councilmember Gay for the mayor pro tem position and Councilmember Camarata seconded the motion. The motion passed 3 yes and Councilmember Turpin and Gilmour voting no.

Surplus Vehicles – Heaverlo Auction has an auction scheduled for March 28, 2009. The vehicles we would like to surplus are the Chevy Lumina, Dodge Intrepid, and Crown Victoria. The Fire Department would like to possibly keep the Crown Victoria. Councilmember Turpin will do research on putting them on E bay. Councilmember Turpin moved to surplus these vehicles and sell them at the Heaverlo Auction, advertise in the Daily Record, and research E bay. Councilmember Alvord seconded the motion and will discuss the cost of advertising with the mayor ahead of time. The motion passed 5 yes and 0 no.

Interlocal Sheriff's Agreement – Councilmember Turpin was wondering if we have heard back on the Sheriff's Office Interlocal Agreement. Chief Studer will check with the Sheriff's Office on this.

NEW BUSINESS

Approval of Cascade Copier Contract – Councilmember Alvord moved to approve the 2009 contract and Councilmember Gay seconded the motion. The motion passed 5 yes and 0 no.

Resolution 09-001R – FACTA/Identity Theft Prevention Policy – Councilmember Gay moved to approve this resolution and Councilmember Turpin seconded the motion. The motion passed 5 yes and 0 no.

Ordinance 09-002 – Repeal of Weapons Chapter 9A.20 of the Municipal Code – The public hearing was opened at 7:40 p.m. Chief Studer explained this Chapter of the Kittitas Municipal Code is in conflict with state law. After some discussion the public hearing was closed at 7:44 p.m. Councilmember Alvord moved to approve this ordinance and Councilmember Turpin seconded the motion. The motion passed 5 yes and 0 no.

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APPROVAL OF PAYMENT

Approval of January Payroll and February Draws – Checks #7380 to #7391, #881010 to #881013, #881091 to #881099, and #992081 to #992083 for \$30,990.34 were moved to be approved by Councilmember Gay and seconded by Councilmember Camarata. The motion passed 5 yes and 0 no.

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Approval of February Bills – Checks #13022 to #13048 and #770109 for \$33,914.89 were moved to be approved by Councilmember Alvord and seconded by Councilmember Turpin. The motion passed 5 yes and 0 no.

Councilmember Gay asked if there is a policy in place on employees/council members contacting the attorney. Mayor Huber explained Council has to form this policy.

Work study session – Council agreed on a work study session on March 10, 2009, at 6:30, to discuss our attorney contract and possibly forming a policy on contacting the attorney.

MAYORS REPORT

Fire District #2 – Mayor Huber talked to Chief Sinclair about coming up with an agreement between Fire District #2 and the City of Kittitas. Chief Sinclair is checking with the State Auditor's Office on what is allowable in an agreement. He assured Mayor Huber that until then we will have complete fire protection.

Parks Contract – Mayor Huber explained Public Works Lead Bosch would like to suggest raising the Parks Agreement to \$1,000 per year. Councilmember Gilmour explained we also need to negotiate watering the lawn. Councilmember Alvord would like to see how much water is being used at the park.

Community Hall Planning Only Grant – Cal Jordan would like to know if Council is interested in pursuing a planning only grant this year on Community Hall. Councilmember Turpin moved to approve applying for this grant and Councilmember Alvord seconded the motion. The motion passed 5 yes and 0 no.

COUNCIL DISCUSSION

Fire Department Grant – Richard Hink Jr. would like to see something in writing stating that adding a door between the City Hall and the Fire Department won't cause the city to have to re-pay the CDBG Grant back. Council agreed for the Mayor to have a discussion with Cal Jordan and to have him attend a council meeting.

Personnel Advisory Committee Meeting – Councilmember Alvord summarized the first meeting that was held by the Personnel Advisory Committee and explained they will hold their meetings the first Tuesday of the month at City Hall.

Car Titles – Councilmember Alvord requested titles on the cars.

