

**City of Kittitas
Council Meeting Minutes
July 24, 2012**

Mayor Pro-Tem Pat Cort called the meeting of the Kittitas City Council to order at 7:00 p.m., July 24 2012. Council members present were Jerry Gilmour, Rick Hink, Todd Veness, and Pat Cort (Mayor Pro-Tem).

Staff present was Clerk/Treasurer Debbie Lee; Brian Nash, Public Works; and Scott Ciraulo, Fire Chief; Chris Taylor, Police Department; Jose Preciado, Fire Department.

Mayor Pro-Tem Pat Cort led those assembled in the Flag Salute.

Mayor Pro-Tem Cort announced that Mayor Tony Helland and Councilmember Linda Huber were absent from this meeting because they are attending a COG Meeting.

MOTION: Motion to excuse Mayor Tony Helland and Councilperson Linda Huber from the meeting. Motion by Councilmember Hink; seconded by Councilmember Gilmour.
Motion Carried: 3 yes; 0 no.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

MOTION: Motion to approve the minutes of July 10, 2012. Motion by Councilmember Hink; seconded by Councilmember Gilmour.
Motion Carried: 3 yes; 0 no.

ADDITIONS TO AND APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Amendments to Agenda – Under New Business, remove the #4: (correction): 7. New Business; A. EPYK-Education Project.

MOTION: To remove the #4 from 7. New Business A. EPYK-Education Project: Motion to approve agenda as amended. Motion by Councilmember Hink; seconded by Councilmember Gilmour.
Motion Carried: 3 yes; 0 no.

PUBLIC APPEARANCE COMMENTS

- Ron Earwood indicated that he wanted to contest the new City Council Member appointment as he feels that it was in violation of two city ordinances and not filled properly: City Codes 2.36.010, 2.36.020 or RC 35A12.090. Earwood gave a review of his qualifications to be a City Council member and indicated that if he can not get an answer by next week, he will be turning his complaint over to the Attorney General of the State of Washington. Mayor Pro-Tem Cort thanked Earwood for his information and efforts. This appeal will be brought to Mayor Helland's attention.

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REPORTS OF OFFICERS AND SPECIAL GUESTS

A. Staff Reports:

- Bryan Nash, Public Works, thanked the volunteers for the landscaping. It was hydro seeded today. Bryan was also thanked by the Council members for their work on the landscaping project.
- Bryan Nash also reported that Belsaas & Smith is wrapping up the project. The transmission is back in the truck and the new storm drains seem to be working and it is on our list to go around a flush out all the drains.
- Fire Chief Scott Ciraulo indicated that they got the confirmation and dates for the volunteer training and it will be at no cost to the City. He also reported that they will be getting four defibulators donated to the city. Chief Ciraulo also reported that a support vehicle, 91 Ford Explorer, has been donated to the city. This support vehicle has EMS equipment. He and Jose have put some man hours into this vehicle as it can be used as a first response vehicle. Councilmember Cort was able to see the vehicle in action. We can shift some of the insurance around so we saved money on the insurance. Councilmember Gilmour asked where the vehicle will be kept and he explained that it will be duty ready and will be kept at either his house or his duty-officer's house. Councilmember Cort did some research on how we can accept donations or gifts and we will need to put an ordinance in place to accept this donation.
- Teresa McCollum, Parks and Recreation, is putting in a request to get correctional personnel to do community service to help with some of the work such as taking the fence down in the Park. She thanked everyone for helping to keep the community looking so nice but indicated that they do need a second person to help with the maintenance.
- Debbie Lee, Clerk/Treasurer, reported that she would be attending a training put on by Bias. The State of Washington is changing the BARS Codes and the training will cover these changes.
- Pat Cort, Councilmember, reported that she will be attending a tourism conference in Seattle in August.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

A. Ordinance No. 12-007 – Petition Alley Vacation First & King #2

MOTION: To accept Ordinance No. 12-007, Petition Alley Vacation between First & King Street.

Motion by Councilmember Gilmour; seconded by Councilmember Hink.

Motion Carried: 3 yes; 0 no.

B. Resolution No. 12-008R – Adopting the 6-year TIP #3

MOTION: To accept Resolution No. 12-008R – Adopting the 6-year TIP.

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Motion by Councilmember Hink; seconded by Councilmember Veness.
Motion Carried: 3 yes; 0 no.

NEW BUSINESS

A. EPYK - Education Project #4

This item has been moved to next Council Meeting when all members and Mayor are present.

PAYMENT APPROVALS

A. July 24, 2012, payables \$17,546.74. #5

MOTION: Move to pay July 24, 2012, Payables in the amount of \$17,546.74.
Motion made by Councilmember Gilmour; seconded by Councilmember Hink.
Motion Carried: 3 yes; 0 no.

B. Cal Jordan retainer Community Hall/Library - \$1,200.00

MOTION: Motion to pay Cal Jordan retainer on Community Hall/Library in the amount of \$1,200.00.
Motion made by Councilmember Gilmour; seconded by Councilmember Hink.
Motion Carried: 3 yes, 0 no.

MAYOR'S REPORT

- Pro-Tem Mayor indicated that Mayor Helland wanted to thank the volunteers for the landscaping.
- There was a rumor that the Police Chief had quit and Mayor Helland wanted to make sure that everyone knew that the Police Chief did not quit and if he had, the Mayor would have made that announcement and that did not happen.

COUNCIL DISCUSSION

- Councilmember Hink reported that the Fiddlers had gone into the Library to use the internet as they have done in the past; however, they were denied use. The library will need to know and they will be notified.
- Councilmember Gilmour asked about the letter in the packet from Fred Slyfield regarding 2012 Kittitas County Emergency Management Plan dated July 17, 2012. He wondered if Tony will take care of this.
- Councilmember Todd Vaness, as a local business owner, wants to support the Junior Soccer team but

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he didn't think it was appropriate to have Bail Bonds ads on the shirts of children. He would like to pay for the ad of the City of Kittitas on the shirts (no cost to the City). He was advised to talk to Mayor Helland (which he had done) and continue this discuss at the next Council meeting.

Adjourn at 7:25pm

Attest:

Mayor Helland

Debbie Lee, Clerk/Treasurer