

**City of Kittitas
Council Meeting Minutes
June 25, 2013**

COUNCIL MEETING

Mayor Tony Helland called the regular Council Meeting of the Kittitas City Council to order at 7:00 p.m. June 25, 2013.

Council members present were; Rick Hink, Cliff Helgeson, Linda Huber and Jerry Gilmour.

Staff present were: Debbie Lee-Clerk/Treasurer, Bryan Nash – Public Works, Dave Anderson- Police, Brent Nierman Chief of Police.

Mayor Helland led those assembled in the Flag Salute.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

MOTION: Motion to approve the minutes of the regular City Council meeting of June 11, 2013. Motion by Councilmember Gilmour; second by Councilmember Hink. Motion Carried: 3 yes; 0 no. Councilmember Huber abstained due to absence.

ADDITIONS TO AND/OR APPROVAL OF AGENDA

MOTION: Councilmember Hink made a motion to approve the agenda as presented; second by Councilmember Gilmour. Motion carried 4 yes 0 no.

PUBLIC APPEARANCE COMMENTS

None

REPORTS OF OFFICERS AND SPECIAL GUESTS

A. Staff Reports:

- Bryan Nash Public Works reported that the crack sealing is completed.
- Water is now under Main Street on South Main to water the landscape.
- Installation of the new water meter at the old Palmerio residence was completed.
- Discussion was had regarding a new building for Public Works. Councilmember Gilmour asked if McIntosh gave a bid-no and where is the money coming from? It was explained that there is a Capital Expense Fund and the water/sewer fund would also contribute to expenses. The bids received were for demolition of the current building. The City would be responsible for plumbing, drywall, paint and some finish work. Mayor Helland stated he would like the building up before the snow came to keep Public Works out of the weather. The new building would house the backhoe, grader and dump truck. Councilmember Huber would like to consider this after the budget is reviewed at the next meeting.
- The playground equipment, picnic shelter material was ordered for the CERB grant. Mayor Helland submitted a letter to the commissioner's for the REET money. Council was asked if they knew if the wading pool was filled entirely with concrete, it needs to be removed for safety

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reasons due to chipping and cracking.

- Brent Nierman Chief of Police reported that Officer Taylor graduated from K9 training and will be on the next agenda.
- June 15th there was an arrest of a Kittitas resident on burglary charges and it was tied to several burglaries in the area. Kittitas worked with Ellensburg PD and this was due to the 3/10's money.
- Jessica Tate with the Kittitas County Chamber talked with council about the Kittitas Burnouts on August 10th. They are requesting a noise variance for the 2 live bands that will play for the street dance. A map of the proposed street closure was given The Police and Fire Department will walk the route in the next few weeks.
- Motion to grant the noise variance on August 10, 2013 was made by Councilmember Gilmour; second by Councilmember Hink. Motion carries 4 yes 0 no.
- Amy McGuffin from the Chamber also talked about the Fiddler's and the Chamber helping with advertising for that. Amy also said that Generation's would help with the playground set up if needed.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

A. Vehicle Use Policy

- Tabled so council can take a look at the budget at the next council meeting.

B. Six Year Street Plan Resolution 13-016R

- A public meeting was opened up at 7:36 it was explained that the STIP is a list of street projects prioritized and costs. The public meeting was closed at 7:38 with no public comment.

MOTION: was made by Councilmember Huber to approve Resolution 13-016R; second by Councilmember Helgeson. Motion carried 4 yes 0 no.

C. Water Tower Paint

- Mayor Helland contacted Mr. Kitchens regarding the painting of the water tower, he recommended pressure wash with water, and it would be just a matter of time for the paint to delaminate, no need for the extra cost of soda blasting. This will be tabled until the budget is reviewed at the next meeting.

NEW BUSINESS

A. Vacant Council Position-

- Two applications were received, the City advertised in the Daily Record, at City Hall and the Post Office. Councilmember Huber thanked the applicants for turning in a letter and resume.

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Miguel Rios submitted his letter, he does not reside within the City limits so his letter was withdrawn. Darrell McLean was present at the meeting; Councilmember Helgeson said he thought he would do a great job on the council.

MOTION: to have Darrell McLean fill the vacant council position was made by Councilmember Gilmour; second by Councilmember Huber.

Motion carries 4 yes 0 no.

Darrell McLean will be sworn in at the July 9 Council meeting.

B. Street Vehicle Fund Ordinance No. 13-017

- Discussion was had that last year the City sold some surplus vehicles, PSE alley vacate and scrap. Streets would like their own Vehicle Fund.

MOTION: to establish the Street Vehicle Fund Ordinance No. 13-017 was made by Councilmember Huber; second by Councilmember Helgeson. Motion carries 4 yes 0 no.

C. Consultant supplemental Agreement- Gray & Osborne (archeological)

- This is amending the original agreement from Gray & Osborne to include the archeological cultural assessment for King Street this is a requirement on all TIB projects.

MOTION: to approve the supplemental agreement from Gray & Osborne was made by Councilmember Huber; second by Councilmember Hink. Motion carries 4 yes 0 no.

PAYMENT APPROVALS

A. June 25, 2013 payables \$33,099.93 - #6

MOTION: Move to pay June 25, 2013 payables in the amount of \$33,099.93.

Motion made by Councilmember Hink; second by Councilmember Gilmour.

Motion Carried: 4 yes; 0 no.

MAYOR'S REPORT

- Mayor Helland reported TIB was pleased with how the City of Kittitas is working with the Operating Engineers in the paving of the streets. AWC is going to do a story of the partnership and encourage other Cities to do the same.
- Five K came and fixed the generator now the fence just needs to be installed.
- Mayor Helland has not gotten an official response from the Parks Commission if they are going to

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donate or sell Iron Horse State Park; he also stated that the City would not restrict access to the John Wayne Trail. A solar company came and wants to install mini solar panels by the train depot and have it powered by solar, the excess would be sold to PSE until 2020.

- Kittitas County Chamber was out on Friday June 21st with the leadership class. They were inquiring about the UGA and how the City would like to progress with that.

COUNCIL DISCUSSION

- Councilmember Gilmour inquired about the \$12,000 in REET money if possibly a skate board park would be of interest; Councilmember Huber thought that the insurance company would not like this.
- The Library will be starting the summer reading program next week.
- COG meeting on the 17th to rate grants. The City of Kittitas put in for street illumination.
- Councilmember Helgeson asked about Pacific Clean, there is a public meeting on July 9 in Ellensburg.

ADJOURN: 8:08 p.m.

Attest:

Mayor Helland

Debbie Lee, Clerk/Treasurer