

KETTLE FALLS CITY COUNCIL MEETING
JUNE 21, 2011

CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Dorothy Slagle called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

ROLL CALL

Ray Smith, Dorothy Slagle, Jesse Garrett and Debbie Gaskin. Les Callas and Krist Matthews absences were excused.

Mayor Dorothy Slagle stated Les Callas has requested a six week leave of absence.

Council Member Ray Smith moved to excuse Council Member Les Callas for six weeks. Council Member Jesse Garrett seconded the motion. Motion carried by all. Council Member Ray Smith - yes, Council Member Jesse Garrett - yes, and Council Member Debbie Gaskin - yes.

Council Member Jesse Garrett moved to excuse Council Member Krist Matthews from the June 21, 2011 City Council Meeting. Council Member Debbie Gaskin Seconded the motion. Motion carried by all. Council Member Ray Smith - yes, Council Member Jesse Garrett - yes and Council Member Debbie Gaskin - yes.

STAFF/GUESTS

Staff - David Keeley, Joel Gassaway, Scott Sterland, John Ridlington, Teah Chadderdon and Sherry Chambers.

Guests - Dave Hudson and Vicki Cianciotto.

ANNOUNCEMENTS AND MAIL RECEIVED

As there were no Announcements or Mail Received, City Council moved on to Public Comment.

PUBLIC COMMENT

CHAMBER OF COMMERCE

Chamber Vice President Dave Hudson reported Town & Country Days was a success. The vender sales were up by 30% from last year.

Chamber is planning to move the Beer Garden out into the street next year. They will also try to bring in a carnival.

Chamber Vice President Dave Hudson reported the David Thompson Brigade was successful. The Chamber of Commerce would like to thank Lane Lehman for cooking the pig on Saturday during the event.

City Planner David Keeley stated Murray Shoemaker from the National Park Service reported over 400 people from Kettle Falls attended the event. It was also the largest event the Historical Society has ever held.

Chamber Vice President Dave Hudson stated, at the last Chamber meeting, Jeff Graves requested volunteers to help clean out the float building. He would like to organize a cleanup day on a Saturday in July.

PUBLIC HEARING - AMENDMENT OF THE COMPREHENSIVE LAND USE PLAN

City Planner Dave Keeley gave a staff report:

Staff Report: City Planner, David Keeley

June 21, 2011

Description: Amendment of the Comprehensive Plan

Description: This is an amendment of the 1997 Comprehensive Land Use Plan. This amendment includes an update of population figures, projected growth and the vision of Kettle Falls for the next 20 years. The goals and policies are still consistent with the 1997 vision. However, the plan includes several updates that are required by the Growth Management Act such as including Critical Areas and Best Available Science. The individual elements of the plan include:

Land Use Element
Capital Facilities Element
Housing Element
Transportation Element
Annexation and Incorporation Element
Economic Development Element
Parks and Recreation Element

This Plan has been sent to several State Agencies for review. The comment period is over on July 25. This hearing allows another opportunity for the Public to be included in the review process.

Mayor Dorothy Slagle opened the public hearing for public comment at 7:10 p.m. No public comment was presented to City Council. The public hearing was closed to public comment at 7:11 p.m.

CONSENT AGENDA

APPROVAL OF THE MAY 17th CITY COUNCIL MINUTES AND MAY VOUCHERS
AND PAYROLL

City Superintendent Joel Gassaway reported an error on the May 17, 2011 minutes. He stated, on page four, the year the City applied for water rights should be 1998 instead of 1988.

City Council Member Jesse Garrett moved to approve the Consent Agenda as amended. City Council Member Debbie Gaskin seconded the motion. Motion carried by all. Council Member Ray Smith - yes, Council Member Jesse Garrett - yes and Council Member Debbie Gaskin - yes.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

PLANNING COMMISSION

City Council Member Debbie Gaskin reported chickens and rabbits were discussed at the last Planning Commission meeting and will be presented to City Council at the July 5th meeting as a Public Hearing.

WASTE WATER TREATMENT PLANT

City Council Member Jesse Garrett reported the pre-construction meeting went well last week.

STAFF REPORTS

PUBLIC WORKS

City Superintendent Joel Gassaway reported the crew is patching pot holes. There are numerous pot holes this year, so they will be purchasing a large amount of asphalt.

City Superintendent Joel Gassaway stated Big Sky Industrial was hired to do routine jetting of the sewer lines. While Big Sky Industrial was jetting the lines on Narcissus Court, the sewer backed up in one of the houses. City Crewman Paul Jacobs was present at the time it occurred and stated Big Sky was following standard procedure. The homeowners were reimbursed for clean up and replacement of damaged items.

City Superintendent Joel Gassaway stated the pool boiler was replaced and the pool is now open.

City Superintendent Joel Gassaway stated Roseanna Page has been hired for the Seasonal Groundskeeper's position.

City Superintendent Joel Gassaway reported negotiations with Avista are still ongoing.

PLANNING DEPARTMENT

City Planner David Keeley reported construction will start this summer on the sidewalk project. The project includes the north side of Highway 395 at Juniper to Meyers Street.

POLICE DEPARTMENT

Chief of Police Scott Sterland stated the Spokesman Review has printed an article about possible elder abuse involving residents Herb Friedlund and Frances Swan. Mrs. Swan's welfare has been a concern for the police department and the community for some time. There is currently a no contact order and Mrs. Swan is in Buena Vista. She will be turning 106 years old on June 22, 2011.

Mayor Dorothy Slagle suggested the City send flowers to her at Buena Vista.

Council Member Jesse Garrett moved to approve the purchase of flowers, on behalf of the City, to be sent to Frances Swan. Council Member Debbie Gaskin seconded the motion. Motion carried by all. Council Member Ray Smith -yes, Council Member Jesse Garrett - yes and Council Member Debbie Gaskin - yes.

Chief of Police Scott Sterland reported the Police Department was busy during Town & County Days. He stated there were eight separate assaults, five violations of no contact orders and two domestics. There was only one arrest. They received assistance from the Stevens County Sherriff's office and Washington State Patrol. The Police Department will start working with the Town & Country Days Committee earlier next year.

Council Member Ray Smith asked if there has been any problems at TJ's since they received a liquor license.

Chief of Police Scott Sterland stated there have been no problems so far and he has met with Terry Baxter several times. During Town & Country Days the altercations took place at Hayden's and KC's.

FIRE DEPARTMENT

Fire Chief John Ridlington reported there have been no fires.

NEW BUSINESS

LIBRARY BOARD APPOINTMENT

Library Manager Teah Chadderdon reported Library Board Member Erin Buckey is moving, creating a vacancy on the Library Board. The only letter of interest received for the position was from Joann Packard. She has served on the Colville Improvement Board, is active in the community and has been a big supporter of the Kettle Falls Library.

Council Member Jesse Garret moved to accept the appointment of Joann Packard to the Kettle Falls Library Board. Council Member Ray Smith seconded the motion. Motion Carried by all. Council Member Ray Smith - yes, Council Member Jesse Garrett - yes, and Council Member Debbie Gaskin - yes.

SWIMMING POOL INCIDENT

Mayor Dorothy Slagle reported an ambulance was called last week for a 14 year old girl that became unconscious in the City Pool. An ambulance was called for the same girl during Town & Country Days. The City would like to notify the family that she must have adult supervision while at the City Pool, but will check with City Attorney Pat Monasmith.

WASTE WATER TREATMENT FACILITY

City Planner David Keeley reported IMCO has put in the road through Lilienthal's Property. A sign has also been placed by NW Wood Products telling about the project. The ground breaking ceremony was held last week and was attended by Senator Bob Morton and Representative Shelley Short. A construction meeting will be held every Wednesday at 10:00 a.m.

City Planner David Keeley stated the City needs to issue two Building permits that would total approximately \$7,000. If the council does not wish to waive the fees, the money will need to be borrowed from the Department of Ecology and paid back to the City. A \$4.50 State tax would still be required if the fees are waived.

Council Member Debbie Gaskin moved to waive the building permit fees, excluding the \$4.50 State tax. Council Member Ray Smith seconded the motion. Motion carried by all. Council Member Ray Smith - yes, Council Member Jesse Garrett - yes and Council Member Debbie Gaskin - yes.

Council Member Jesse Garrett asked if the all the property, including the new road, is in the City.

City Planner David Keeley stated all the property is in the City. The road is on private property and we have an easement with Lilienthals.

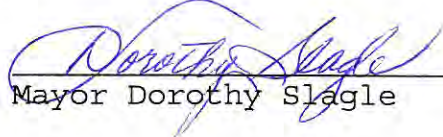
PUBLIC COMMENT

As there was no Public Comment, City Council moved on to Adjournment.

ADJOURNMENT

Mayor Dorothy Slagle adjourned the meeting at 7:50 p.m.

Approved:



Mayor Dorothy Slagle

Attest:



Sherry Chambers, Clerk/Secretary