

KETTLE FALLS CITY COUNCIL MEETING
APRIL 1, 2014

CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Dorothy Slagle called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. and led the audience in the Pledge of Allegiance.

ROLL CALL

Dorothy Slagle, Jeanie Thompson, Bonnie Bradley, Jesse Garrett and Debbie Gaskin. Cris Haynes was absent.

STAFF/GUESTS

Staff - Joel Gassaway, Dave Keeley, John Ridlington, Chris Courchene, Raena Hallam and Charlie Schuerman.

Guests - Greg Goodnight, Lu Haynes, Ray Smith, Doll Linton and Brenda Linton.

Council Member Jesse Garrett moved to excuse Council Member Cris Haynes from the City Council meeting for illness. Council Member Debbie Gaskin seconded the motion. Motion carried by all. Council Member Jeanie Thompson - yes, Council Member Bonnie Bradley - yes, Council Member Jesse Garrett - yes and Council Member Debbie Gaskin - yes.

ANNOUNCEMENTS AND MAIL RECEIVED

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

PUBLIC COMMENT

As there was no Public Comment, Council moved on to the Consent Agenda.

CONSENT AGENDA

CITY COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES FOR MARCH 18, 2014 AND MARCH, 2014
VOUCHERS AND PAYROLL

Council Member Debbie Gaskin moved to approve the Consent Agenda. Council Member Bonnie Bradley seconded the motion. Motion carried by all. Council Member Jeanie Thompson - yes, Council Member Bonnie Bradley - yes, Council Member Jesse Garrett - yes and Council Member Debbie Gaskin - yes.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

As there were no Committee Reports, City Council moved on to Staff Reports.

STAFF REPORTS

FIRE DEPARTMENT

Fire Chief John Ridlington stated the department responded to a lift assist and a fire reported on Mingo Mountain which turned out to be okay.

PUBLIC WORKS

City Superintendent Joel Gassaway reported he is still waiting for a new motor to be installed in the pump for Well #2.

City Superintendent Joel Gassaway stated the crewman applications are ready for Council Committee review and he would like to schedule interviews for next week.

KETTLE FALLS PLANNING COMMISSION

City Planner Dave Keeley reported the Planning Commission has received a variance request from the Kettle Falls Community Church. The church wishes to build a larger building which would not meet the setback requirements, nor would the required parking spaces be provided.

LIBRARY TOWN MEETING

City Planner Dave Keeley stated the Kettle Falls Library would be holding a town meeting on April 3, 2014 at 5:00 p.m. to discuss the telephone surveys and expansion of the library.

POLICE CANINE UNIT

Police Chief Chris Courchene stated Officer Coon will attend the next City Council meeting to introduce the department canine Duke.

KETTLE FALLS GUN RANGE

Police Chief Chris Courchene reported Mr. Weiss of the Kettle Falls Gun Club will attend the next Police Chiefs and Sheriffs meeting to discuss the needs of law enforcement at the Kettle Falls Gun Range.

NEW BUSINESS

PROCLAMATION DECLARING APRIL, 2014 AS CHILD ABUSE PREVENTION MONTH

Council Member Bonnie Bradley moved to adopt a Proclamation declaring April, 2014 as Child Abuse Prevention Month. Council Member Debbie Gaskin seconded the motion. Motion carried by all. Council Member Jeanie Thompson - yes, Council Member Bonnie Bradley - yes, Council Member Jesse Garrett - yes and Council Member Debbie Gaskin - yes.

OLD BUSINESS

KETTLE FALLS SWIMMING POOL - PARKS & RECREATION DISTRICT

Mr. Greg Goodnight distributed a draft resolution for City Council to review regarding the formation of a Parks and Recreation District.

Council Member Jeanie Thompson explained some of the wording needs to be changed since the district would also involve Stevens County.

Council Member Bonnie Bradley asked what the Parks & Recreation district would be responsible for.

Council Member Jeanie Thompson stated the Parks & Recreation District would be responsible for all of the supplies. The City would be responsible for the maintenance of the pool.

Council Member Bonnie Bradley stated if the Parks & Recreation District is formed it should be responsible for all aspects of the pool, including maintenance. Especially, if taxes are going to be raised for the cost of the pool.

Mr. Greg Goodnight stated all of the money the Parks & Recreation District earns will go directly to the pool. It only makes sense the City would be responsible for the maintenance of the pool.

City Attorney Charlie Schuerman explained a lease is simply the right to use the property during a certain time frame.

Mr. Goodnight stated he feels the City should provide normal maintenance of the pool.

City Attorney Charlie stated the City could enter into an interlocal agreement with the Parks & Recreation District for

maintenance of the pool. The City would then bill the district for costs incurred.

Council Member Jesse Garrett stated he feels if the Parks & Recreation District is not responsible for all costs of the pool, then the citizens are being taxed twice for the pool.

After further discussion, City Attorney Charlie Schuerman stated he would assist in drafting a resolution. City Council asked Clerk/Treasurer Raena Hallam to provide a history of costs incurred for the Kettle Falls swimming pool.

MISSION RIDGE WATER

City Superintendent Joel Gassaway provided a wholesale water rate comparison to City Council.

Mayor Slagle confirmed with City Superintendent Joel Gassaway that the water hook ups on Mission Ridge will take away from the hook ups the City is currently allowed.

Council Member Jeanie Thompson stated properties hooked up to water outside the City limits means those properties do not pay property taxes to the City.

Fire Chief John Ridlington stated he wants to make sure the City stays healthy if it provides water to Mission Ridge.

PUBLIC COMMENT

EVERGREEN DRIVE REPAIR

City Superintendent Joel Gassaway stated when road restrictions are lifted gravel can be hauled to start repairing Evergreen Drive.

Council Member Jeanie Thompson thanked City Superintendent Joel Gassaway for the signage on Evergreen.

ADJOURNMENT

Mayor Dorothy Slagle adjourned the meeting at 8:27 p.m.

Approved:

Dorothy Slagle, Mayor

Attest: _____
Raena L. Hallam, Clerk/Treasurer