

KETTLE FALLS CITY COUNCIL MEETING
FEBRUARY 3, 2015

CALL TO ORDER

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

ROLL CALL

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

STAFF/GUESTS

Staff - Charlie Schuerman, John Ridlington, Joel Gassaway, Dave Keeley, Eric Middlesworth and Raena Hallam.

Guests - Byron Weiss, Dick Leshner, Glen Thompson, Roy Sparks, Kelly Keenan and Larry Loew.

ANNOUNCEMENTS AND MAIL RECEIVED

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

PUBLIC COMMENT

PUBLIC HEARING - DANGEROUS BUILDINGS

City Planner Dave Keeley gave a brief staff report explaining the proposed dangerous building ordinance mirrors the RCW's for the process to remove a dangerous building and recover the costs of removal.

Council Member Jesse Garrett asked if the ordinance specifically states how the building is to be removed. City Planner Dave Keeley stated it does not specifically state how a building is to be removed.

Council Member Jeanie Thompson asked if there are currently any dangerous buildings that need to be removed. City Planner Dave Keeley stated no there is not. Council Member Bonnie Bradley stated there is a garage down the street that the roof is caving in and should be looked at.

Mayor Slagle opened the Public Hearing for public comment at 7:03 p.m. As there was no public comment, Mayor Slagle closed the hearing at 7:04 p.m.

KETTLE FALLS GUN CLUB

Mr. Weiss of the Kettle Falls Gun Club asked City Council if they would waive the water hookup fees for the Kettle Falls Gun Club. Mr. Weiss stated the gun club has already paid \$1,000 leaving approximately \$1800 in hookup fees and cost of parts.

Mr. Weiss stated the Kettle Falls Gun Club purchased the adjoining property and the new building is pretty much finished. Mr. Weiss stated the club received over \$115,000 in cash and in-kind donations from the community.

City Superintendent Joel Gassaway stated City Council should expect the same request from other nonprofit agencies in the future.

Council Member Debbie Gaskin made a motion to waive the \$1823.44 fees for the Kettle Falls Gun Club. Council Member Jeanie Thompson seconded the motion.

Council Member Jesse Garrett stated he supports waiving the hookup fee, but does not support waiving the cost of parts.

Motion failed. Council Member Jeanie Thompson - no, Council Member Jesse Garrett - no, Council Member Bonnie Bradley - no and Council Member Debbie Gaskin - no.

Council Member Jesse Garrett made a motion to waive the \$1,423.44 hookup fees (not including parts) for the Kettle Falls Gun Club. Council Member Jeanie Thompson seconded the motion. Motion carried. Council Member Jeanie Thompson - yes, Council Member Jesse Garrett - yes, Council Member Bonnie Bradley - no and Council Member Debbie Gaskin - yes.

CONSENT AGENDA

CITY COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES FOR JANUARY 20, 2015 AND JANUARY VOUCHERS AND PAYROLL

City Superintendent Joel Gassaway suggested a correction to the January 20, 2015 City Council minutes. Page 7, Staff Reports, Public Works - Water, first paragraph should state the additional leak was repaired at the same time.

Council Member Jesse Garrett made a motion to approve the Consent Agenda with the correction to the January 20, 2015 minutes as presented by City Superintendent Joel Gassaway. Council Member Jeanie Thompson seconded the motion. Motion carried by all. Council Member Jeanie Thompson - yes, Council

Member Jesse Garrett - yes, Council Member Bonnie Bradley - yes and Council Member Debbie Gaskin - yes.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

SAVE THE POOL COMMITTEE

Council Member Jeanie Thompson stated she attended a meeting with the Ferry County Commissioners regarding formation of a pool/park district. Jeanie stated two public meetings have been scheduled:

February 10, 2015 - 3:00 p.m. at the Stevens County Commissioners Room

February 12, 2015 - 3:00 p.m. at the Ferry County Commissioners Room

STAFF REPORTS

SCHOOL CROSSING SIGNS - GRANT

City Planner Dave Keeley stated the City received a grant to replace some of the school crossing signs in the amount of \$4,750 from RTPD.

LIBRARY EXPANSION

City Planner Dave Keeley reported last Friday Wolf Architecture and various subcontractors met at the library and spent the entire day asking questions, taking measurements etc. in preparation of the project.

FIRE DEPARTMENT

Fire Chief John Ridlington reported the Fire Department responded to a chimney fire and a trash can fire at the senior apartments.

POLICE DEPARTMENT

Officer Eric Middlesworth stated there is nothing to report for the police department, but stated he is enjoying meeting the people and the community spirit of Kettle Falls.

NEW BUSINESS

POSSIBLE LIBRARY BOARD APPOINTMENT

Library Manager Teah Chadderdon distributed a letter of interest from Shannon Henry seeking appointment to the Kettle Falls Library Board.

November 13, 2014
P.O. Box 395
Kettle Falls, WA 99141
(509) 675-2530

Dear Kettle Falls Public Library Board of Trustees,

I am submitting this letter of interest in response to the open trustee position at the Kettle Falls Public Library.

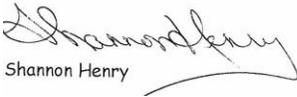
Stevens County has been my home since 1998 and I have been an active user of the Kettle Falls Public Library since I began teaching at the Kettle Falls Middle School in 2003. I would be able to attend quarterly board meetings, and I feel I would make a positive liaison between the community and the library.

As a 6th grade Language Arts and Humanities teacher, I frequently refer students to the public library, and I personally check out books and audio CDs to enrich my classroom curriculum. I think one of the perks of living in Stevens County is our wonderful county library system and I make sure that my students know the amazing free resources available at our local branch.

Please don't hesitate to call me if you have any questions regarding my interest or qualifications for this position.

Thank you for this opportunity to payback my gratitude for using the library for the past decade.

Sincerely,



Shannon Henry

Council Member Debbie Gaskin moved to appoint Shannon Henry to the Kettle Falls Library Board. Council Member Bonnie Bradley seconded the motion. Motion carried by all. Council Member Jeanie Thompson - yes, Council Member Jesse Garrett - yes, Council Member Bonnie Bradley - yes and Council Member Debbie Gaskin - yes.

POSSIBLE BID AWARD FOR SEWER VACUUM TRAILER

City Superintendent Joel Gassaway reviewed three bids received for a sewer vacuum trailer.

BID RESULTS – TRAILER-MOUNTED VACUUM EXCAVATOR

We received three sealed bids for a Trailer-Mounted Vacuum Excavator. Bid opening was on Thursday January 29, 2015 at 2:00 PM. These are the results:

Company	Equipment Model	Price (F.O.B. Kettle Falls, Tax Incl.)
Vermeer Rocky Mountain	McLaughlin VX50-500	\$70,542.56
Vermeer Rocky Mountain	Vactron LP533 SDT	\$70,407.41
Ditch Witch Northwest	Ditch Witch FX30A -500 Gal	\$63,899.79

2015 Budget Amount: \$70,000.00

We are recommending that the City award the bid to the low bidder, Ditch Witch Northwest.

Council Member Jesse Garrett moved to accept the bid from Ditch Witch Northwest. Council Member Jeanie Thompson seconded the motion. Motion carried by all. Council Member Jeanie Thompson - yes, Council Member Jesse Garrett - yes, Council Member Bonnie Bradley - yes and Council Member Debbie Gaskin - yes.

ORDINANCE NO. 1742 - AN ORDINANCE REPEALING KETTLE FALLS MUNICIPAL CODE SECTION 15.12 DANGEROUS BUILDINGS, AND ENACTING A NEW DANGEROUS BUILDING CHAPTER 15.12 IN THE KETTLE FALLS MUNICIPAL CODE TITLE 15 (Buildings)

Council Member Jesse Garret moved to introduce Ordinance No. 1742. Council Member Jeanie Thompson seconded the motion. Motion carried by all. Council Member Jeanie Thompson - yes, Council Member Jesse Garrett - yes, Council Member Bonnie Bradley - yes and Council Member Debbie Gaskin - yes.

OLD BUSINESS

ORDINANCE NO. 1741 - AN ORDINANCE REPEALING KETTLE FALLS ORDINANCE NO. 1700 AND ORDINANCE 1715, PROVIDING FOR THE AMENDMENT OF THE KETTLE FALLS COMPREHENSIVE PLAN AND OFFICIAL ZONING MAP, AND FOR THE DE-ANNEXATION OF CERTAIN REAL PROPERTY LYING CONTIGUOUS TO THE CITY OF KETTLE FALLS IN STEVENS COUNTY, STATE OF WASHINGTON.

Council Member Bonnie Bradley moved to adopt Ordinance No. 1741. Council Member Jesse Garrett seconded the motion. Motion carried by all. Council Member Jeanie Thompson - yes, Council Member Jesse Garrett - yes, Council Member Bonnie Bradley - yes and Council Member Debbie Gaskin - yes.

PUBLIC COMMENT

KETTLE FALLS LIBRARY

Mr. Dick Leshar asked how the City can appoint a board member to the Stevens County Library District Board. Library Manager Teah Chadderdon explained Kettle Falls has its own library board since it only contracts with the Stevens County Library District and has not been annexed.

Mr. Dick Leshar stated the Stevens County Library District is rural, why is it coming into metropolitan areas. Library Manager Teah Chadderdon stated the Stevens County Library District boundaries are the same as the Stevens County boundary lines.

Mr. Dick Leshar asked why the Library is not a pay as you go system. Library Manager Teah Chadderdon stated historically libraries are not able to function as a pay as you go. The amount of materials cost too much and many individuals who use

the library would not necessarily be able to afford a pay as you go system.

Mr. Leshar commented that when things are made free, everyone comes for free, just because it is free. Secondly, if the library is annexed into the Stevens County Library District the tax is there forever, there would be no way to get out of it.

DE-ANNEXATION OF PROPERTY

Mr. Larry Loew thanked the City Council and expressed how much he appreciates the Kettle Falls community.

ADJOURNMENT

Mayor Dorothy Slagle adjourned the meeting at 7:48 p.m.

Approved:

Dorothy Slagle, Mayor

Attest: _____
Raena Hallam, Clerk/Treasurer