

City of Cosmopolis
Regular Council Meeting
August 20, 2014

Mayor Vickie Raines presided.

Councilmembers Present: Debbi Moran, Jonathan Fischer, Frank Chestnut and Jim Ancich

Staff Present: Finance Director Cheryl Turner, Interim Fire Chief Jerry Schreck, Police Chief Casey Stratton, Public Works Director Darrin Raines and Attorney Steve Hyde

It was moved by Councilmember Chestnut and seconded by Councilmember Moran to excuse Councilmember Sperring from this meeting. Motion carried.

It was moved by Councilmember Moran and seconded by Councilman Chestnut to approve the agenda with two additions to New Business. Item B. Memorandum of Understanding, Item C. Confirmation of new Fire Chief. Also, an addition to Unfinished Business. Item A. Discussion of the Solid Waste Recycling. Motion carried.

It was moved by Councilmember Moran and seconded by Councilmember Ancich to approve the consent agenda including Claims Vouchers #19944-20029 in the amount of \$125,882.92 and minutes from the July 16, 2014 workshop and regular meeting. Motion carried.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Public Safety – Councilman Fischer said they met before the Council meeting on Aug. 20. He said we have a new volunteer fireman.

Public Works – Councilman Ancich said the committee met with Public Works Director Raines to discuss replacement of the fence around the main pump station. Also, the Planning Commission sent the animal ordinance back to Council. They didn't think changes to the ordinance were needed. Monday evening there was a water main leak and there may have to be weight restrictions in that area.

Council of Governments – Meet on August 21st to discuss the East Aberdeen Mobility Project.

Flood Authority- Call and meeting August 21 to discuss the Wakefield Road project.

Greater Grays Harbor – Has a new Executive Director.

CITY OFFICIALS

Police – Chief Stratton said while he was on vacation Deputy Chief Layman attended the 9-1-1 Ops Board meeting. They will be getting rid of the old telephone frame relay system and will be upgrading to make things faster and better. This system is now being used in the Police cars. There was a rash of vehicle prowls, 16 total. Officer Tarnowski arrested one of the perpetrators and that person is in custody. Some of the reserve officers will be walking around town talking to people and encouraging them to lock their doors.

Fire – Interim Fire Chief Jerry Schreck said they have had 123 calls this year. There have been 12 calls since last meeting; 1 motor vehicle accident call, 1 fire call and the rest were aid calls.

Public Works – Public Works Director Raines said the water main broke on Elizabeth and in September they will be replacing that line from Altenau to Burns. He also said the fence around the main pump station is unrepairable and needs to be replaced. He asked Council for approval to replace the fence. The quote from RC Fence was for \$5,469.49. Councilmember Moran moved to approve the \$5,469.49 to replace the main pump station fence. Seconded by Councilman Ancich. Councilmember Fischer asked if this was already in the budget. He was told it is not but will be paid out of the sewer fund. Motion was approved. Public Works Director Raines said the summer crew is working at Mill Creek Park. He suggested if you have not gone up to the Fire Museum to do so. The Engine Company is doing a great job fixing it up.

MAYOR'S REPORT

Debra Farmer from FEMA will be in town for a meeting on August 26 and 27. A public meeting will be held on the 26th at the Rotary Log Pavilion for anyone who has questions about the national flood insurance program. They will have the new mapping and some of the updates to the legislation that will be required by some of the coastal areas.

CALL TO ORDER

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

CONSENT AGENDA

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MAYOR'S REPORT

OLD BUSINESS

A. Solid Waste Composting

Councilman Chestnut would like to request a workshop to discuss this possible project. A workshop was set for September 17, 2014 at 5:00 p.m.

OLD
BUSINESS

NEW BUSINESS

A. Resolution 2014-04 Cities Insurance changes to the by-laws

It was moved by Councilman Chestnut and seconded by Councilmember Moran to approve Resolution 2014-04. Motion carried.

NEW
BUSINESS

B. Memorandum of Understanding between the City and Shelley Willet

Mayor Raines explained that Shelley Willet can work at City Hall 2.9 hrs. per day without impacting the union contract. The Mayor asked for approval of the Memorandum. It was moved by Councilman Chestnut and seconded by Councilman Ancich to approve the Memorandum of Understanding. Motion carried.

C. Confirmation of the new Fire Chief

The Mayor asked Council to confirm Jerry Schreck as the new Fire Chief. It was moved by Councilmember Chestnut and seconded by Councilmember Moran to confirm Jerry Schreck as the new Fire Chief. Motion carried.

AUDIENCE COMMENTS

Char Bodnar, 1129 Glencoe, addressed the Council about the cat ordinance. She wanted them to know that animals are like family to most people and to let the Council know that a lot of people in town were very unhappy about that ordinance.

AUDIENCE
COMMENTS

Meeting adjourned 7:37 p.m.

Finance Director

Attest:

Mayor