

City of Cosmopolis  
Regular Council Meeting  
October 15, 2014

Mayor Vickie Raines presided.

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

CALL TO  
ORDER

Staff Present: Finance Director Cheryl Turner, Assistant Fire Chief David Dutton, Public Works Director Darrin Raines and Attorney Steve Hyde

Kym Somerville, Business Manager of United Way Grays Harbor. Kym said the money raised during the year is used to help fund 23 programs. Domestic Violence, Beyond Survival, Meals on Wheels to name a few. The money that is raised stays in Grays Harbor and Pacific Counties. In 2013 United Way gave out 377 pairs of shoes and 350 coats. When you donate, your money is distributed throughout all of the 23 programs. The United Way's theme this year is "Great Things Happen When You Live United". Kym will get together with Finance Director Turner about payroll deductions for the employees that wish to donate.

Shane Heston from Trask Insurance. Shane said he was with Canfield Insurance for 18 years and is now on his own. He currently represents Fire Districts, Cities, and Schools. Canfield Insurance has been around since 1988 and is one of the insurance pools. Cosmopolis is a charter member of Canfield Insurance. Shane would represent the City of Cosmopolis by being the voice for the City. He would be responsible for checking through our policy with Canfield to make sure we are insured correctly and providing risk management programs for the City.

It was moved by Councilmember Carl Sperring and seconded by Councilman Frank Chestnut to approve the agenda with the addition of a New Business item a brief discussion about the purchase of a new fire truck. Motion approved.

APPROVAL  
OF  
AGENDA

A Public Hearing has been set for November 19, 2014 regarding the 2015 budget revenues and expenditures.

SET PUBLIC  
HEARING

It was moved by Councilmember Chestnut and seconded by Councilmember Moran to approve the consent agenda Claims Vouchers #20337-20421 in the amount of \$115,819.77 and minutes from the September 17, 2014 regular meeting. Motion carried.

CONSENT  
AGENDA

### COMMITTEE REPORTS

**Public Works** – Councilman Ancich said they met with Public Works Director Raines to go over the budget and will meet again next month.

**Public Safety** – Councilman Sperring said he met with the Fire Dept. on Oct. 8<sup>th</sup> to review the budget and discussed the possible purchase of a new fire truck. Also, the Survey and Rating Bureau will be coming to the City soon so a pre-fire inspections at the public facilities and equipment is being done.

**Council of Governments** – Councilmember Chestnut said they have adopted a Resolution regarding the Regional Transportation Improvement Program for the next 5 years and also adopted a Resolution for a preliminary 2015 budget. He said Grays Harbor County will not be participating in 2015 and that the Port of Grays Harbor is doing well enough they may double their dues. The Executive Director Vickie Cummings will send a letter to the County. Mayor Raines said she has discussed the issue of the County not being part of COG and that the County has paid a minimal amount and in return they have received twenty two million.

**E9-1-1** – Mayor Raines said they will meet on the 3<sup>rd</sup> Tues. in November to finalize the 2015 budget.

**Flood Authority** – Mayor Raines said they will be giving a presentation to the Governor on October 16<sup>th</sup> to request additional funding for several programs which includes 3 million for Mill Creek Dam, the fish ladder and ADA ramps.

**Greater Grays Harbor** – Mayor Raines, Councilmember Moran and Public Works Director Raines attended Showcase Grays Harbor. They toured Opal Art, the seaport, Wishkah Distillery, Pasha, and the college.

COMMITTEE  
REPORTS

**CITY OFFICIALS**

**Finance** – Mayor Raines asked the Council to approve the hiring of a new Deputy Clerk. It was moved by Councilmember Chestnut and seconded by Councilmember Moran to hire a new Deputy Clerk. Motion approved.

**Attorney** – Attorney Hyde said he would be reviewing and amending the public defense contract.

**Fire** – Assistant Fire Chief Dave Dutton reported 16 calls for service. 2 fire, 13 aid and 1 vehicle accident. Also the fire trucks were pump tested and both passed.

**Public Works** – Public Works Director Raines said the replacement of water lines was complete and he said he is proud of his crew, they did a great job.

**MAYOR’S REPORT**

Mayor Raines asked Attorney Hyde and Finance Director Turner to do an audit on B&O taxes. She set two dates for budget workshops Thursday, Oct. 30, 2014 and Monday Nov. 3, 2014 at 5:30.

**OLD BUSINESS**

**Authorize Mayor to add Shane Heston as the new insurance service representative.**

Mayor Raines said his representation would begin on Oct. 1, 2014 to Sept. 30, 2015 at a cost of \$4,000 dollars. Motion was made by Councilmember Chestnut to authorize the Mayor to add Mr. Heston as the new insurance service rep. Councilmember Moran seconded. Motion approved.

**NEW BUSINESS**

Councilman Sperring brought up the possible purchasing of a new fire truck. He said if ordered it would take about 9 months to be built. The price would be around \$350,000. Mayor Raines suggested a workshop to discuss further. The workshop was scheduled for November 5, 2014 at 6:00.

**AUDIENCE COMMENTS**

Alan Somerville, Stanford Drive, said the traffic on Stanford is bad and he would like to see more police cruising around up there. Also, the people from the trailer park don’t stop at the stop sign because the sign is on private property. Darrin suggested moving the sign onto Stanford Drive right-of-way.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Finance Director

Attest:

\_\_\_\_\_  
Mayor

CITY OFFICIALS

MAYOR’S REPORT

OLD BUSINESS

NEW BUSINESS

AUDIENCE COMMENTS

