

City of Cosmopolis  
Regular Meeting Minutes  
February 4, 2015

Mayor Frank Chestnut presiding

Councilmembers present: Carl Sperring, Jim Ancich, Debbi Moran, Kyle Pauley and Jonathan Fischer

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

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**Approval of Agenda**

It was moved by Councilmember Moran and seconded by Councilmember Ancich to approve the agenda. Motion was approved.

**Consent Agenda**

It was moved by Councilmember Moran and seconded by Councilmember Sperring to approve the consent agenda consisting of the minutes from January 21, 2015 and claims vouchers #20567 through #20652 in the amount of \$143,304.24. Motion was approved.

**Committee Reports:**

**Public Safety**-Councilmember Sperring reported on a fire truck that Elma has and they have made it available to us. Mayor Chestnut explained that Elma purchased the fire truck from an auction in Seattle. The truck is a 1991 and has been pump tested and well maintained. The Survey and Rating Bureau will be coming to Cosmopolis on February 19, 2015 and having this fire truck will help keep our fire rating up. Home owners insurance could go up if we don't have trucks that can pump 3000 gal. per minute.

**Finance Committee**-Councilmember Fischer said he is still looking at the expenditures and revenues and will probably have something to pass out to Council at the next meeting.

**Legislative**-Councilmember Sperring said there are about 1800 bills on the docket. He said that about a dozen bills pertain to marijuana. Two of the bills pertain to the County. One would allow the Counties to withhold money from the cities and the other would allow the Counties to collect utility tax. Councilman Sperring also said the Feds have approved the funding for the Port of Grays Harbor's deep draft project.

**City Official Reports:**

**Police**-Chief Stratton reported Officer Nick Byron is doing well at the academy.

**Public Works**-Public Works Director said that at the Council meeting on February 18<sup>th</sup> there will be a workshop with Gibbs and Olson on the Comprehensive Water Plan and on March 4<sup>th</sup> we will have a workshop with HDR on the Mill Creek Dam project.

**Mayor's Report:**

Mayor Chestnut said he got together with Dru Garson, Greater Grays Harbor, Inc. and County Commissioner Vickie Raines to discuss items that Cosmo Specialty Fibers had asked the City for. Mr. Garson said that Greater Grays Harbor would assist with the .09 grant for Cosmo.

Mayor Chestnut told Council there will be a workshop on February 18, 2015 to discuss the other requests from Cosmo.

The Mayor said he and Public Works Director Raines attended a Senior Executive Disaster workshop at the County.

**New Business**

A. **Authorize Mayor to sign the 2015 Aberdeen Little League Field Use Agreement**

It was moved by Councilmember Moran and seconded by Councilmember Sperring to authorize the Mayor to sign the 2015 Aberdeen Little League Field Use Agreement. Motion was approved.

**B. Authorize Mayor to sign purchase agreement with Elma for fire truck**

It was moved by Councilmember Moran and seconded with amendment by Councilmember Sperring to authorize Mayor to sign purchase agreement not to exceed \$20,000 with Elma for the fire truck with the approval and input of Fire Chief Jerry. Motion was approved with a nay vote from Councilmember Ancich.

**Council Comments**

Councilmember Moran asked about how to get rid of the moles in town? Mayor Chestnut suggested she talk to Brian Strada from the golf course.

Councilman Pauley said he had information on the Naval training if anyone was interested in looking it over. Mayor Chestnut said there would be discussion on the matter at the next Council meeting.

Meeting adjourned.

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Finance Director

Attest:

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Mayor