

**City of Cosmopolis  
Regular Meeting Minutes  
October 19, 2016**

Mayor Frank Chestnut presiding

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

Staff Present: Fire Captain Steve Davis, Attorney Steve Hyde, Finance Director Cheryl Turner and Police Chief Casey Stratton

Mayor Chestnut excused Fire Chief Jerry Schreck and Public Works Director Darrin Raines.

**APPROVAL OF AGENDA**

It was moved by Councilmember Sperring and seconded by Councilmember Pauley to approve the agenda with the addition of item A. discussion on the increase of B&O, under unfinished business. Motion approved.

**CONSENT AGENDA**

It was moved by Councilmember Moran and seconded by Councilmember Sperring to approve the consent agenda consisting of the October 5, 2016 regular meeting and workshop minutes and vouchers #22076 through #22114 in the amount of \$129,915.63. Motion approved.

**COMMITTEE REPORTS**

**Parks** – Councilmember Moran reported to Council that the naming of the dog park went to the Planning Commission and that the tires were delivered to the Highland/Bell park. The tires will be used for kids to play on.

**CITY OFFICIALS**

**Finance Director** – Finance Director Turner told Council the preliminary budget would be in the packet for the next meeting.

**Fire** – Captain Davis reported that the Fire Dept. received the ambulance from Raymond. He said the Fire Dept. is looking for a new boat or purchasing new equipment for the boat. Capt. Davis said a private party had a boat that the City could get for around \$7,000. He also reported that Engine Co. #1 has purchased insurance for the Museum.

**UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

**A. Discussion to increase B&O**

Council discussed whether to impose the increase from .001487 to .002 on B&O that would go into effect on January 1, 2017. Cosmo Specialty Fibers had requested a continuation of the current .001487 B&O tax. Councilmember Moran moved to authorize the Mayor to send a letter to Cosmo Specialty Fibers letting them know the increase will take effect in January. Councilmember Ancich seconded. Motion approved.

**NEW BUSINESS**

**A. Impose refund property tax levy**

Councilmember Sperring moved to impose the refund levies on the basic taxes, EMS and the Fire Hall. Councilmember Moran seconded. Motion approved.

**COUNCIL COMMENTS**

Councilmember Pauley reminded everyone that the election ballots would be out on Friday.

Councilmember Sperring asked the Finance Director about some of the budgeted numbers. The Finance Director will get back to him.

Councilmember Fischer acknowledged the great work by the Police Dept. in getting equipment donated for the new Police vehicle.

**AUDIENCE COMMENTS**

Captain Davis asked if the citizens were paying the EMS bill on both property tax and on the utility bills. Finance Director Turner informed him that it was only on the utility bills.

Meeting adjourned.

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Finance Director

Attest:

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Mayor

