

City of Cosmopolis
Regular Meeting Minutes
January 18, 2017

Mayor Frank Chestnut presiding

Councilmembers present: Kyle Pauley, Jonathan Fischer, Debbi Moran, Carl Sperring. Motion to excuse Jim Ancich was seconded by Councilmember Pauley and seconded by Councilmember Sperring. Motion carried.

Staff Present: Public Works Director Darrin Raines, Fire Chief Dave Dutton, Attorney Steve Hyde, Police Chief Casey Stratton and Deputy Clerk Julie Pope

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

It was moved by Councilmember Sperring and seconded by Councilmember Pauley to approve the agenda. Motion approved.

CONSENT AGENDA

It was moved by Councilmember Moran and seconded by Councilmember Sperring to approve the consent agenda consisting of the December 21, 2016 regular meeting minutes, workshop meeting minutes, and vouchers # through # in the amount of \$. Motion approved.

LEMAY'S – DELROY COX

Mayor Chestnut asked Mr. Cox to explain what the need to change the garbage cans from 65 gallons to 30 gallon cans. The cans currently provided by Lemay's is a 65 gallon can with a 30 gallon liner. As these are awkward and cumbersome, Lemay's is proposing to replace them with 30 gallon cans. They are instituting this County wide and would happen in the next three to six months. There is no cost to the customer.

CHERYL TURNER

Mayor Chestnut thanked Finance Director Turner for her 21 years of dedicated service and wished her a long and prosperous retirement.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Parks – On the next meeting, the committee will be sending out notices to vendors. Since the naming of the park did not start on the first of the year, they will keep the name for one year from the time it is done.

Legislative – The legislature has 693 bills currently on the table. Ten percent or less will actually make it through the process.

CITY OFFICIAL REPORTS

Finance – Deputy Clerk Pope introduced the new Deputy Clerk, Cheryl Chrt.

Police – The new patrol car is now in service.

Fire – There were 194 calls in 2016. We are up from an average of 140 calls per year. We are 9 calls so far this year.

Public Works – Mill Creek Dam Project will go out to bid on February 9th. Looking at a mid March bid opening. Hoping to have bids at the March Council meeting with construction starting in May 2017.

MAYOR'S REPORT

Mayor Chestnut stated that current committee assignments have been working well and will remain the same. Councilmember Sperring will be the City's delegate to the Council of Governments. Mayor Chestnut appointed Public Works Director Darrin Raines as the City Administrator as of February 1, 2017. The Council offered a motion to concur and it was carried. The Mayor has instructed the City Attorney to create a policy stating the duties of the City Administrator. The Mayor has also promoted Deputy Clerk Pope to Clerk-Treasurer as of February 1, 2017. The Mayor appointed Darrin Raines as the City's representative to the Southwest Washington Regional Transportation Planning Organization. Mayor Chestnut scheduled a retreat for Economic Development ideas on February 11, 2017. Mayor Chestnut reappointed Mike Brown and Darrin King to the Planning Commission with their term to end 12/31/2022. It was moved by Councilmember Pauley and seconded by Councilmember Sperring. Motion carried. Mayor Chestnut reappointed Bill Nelson, Valeria Husted, and Roger Nedrow to the Board of Adjustments with their term ending 12/31/2019. It was moved by Councilmember Sperring and seconded by Councilmember Moran. Motion carried. Mayor Chestnut reappointed Tony Lupo and Bob Phillips to the Civil Service Commission. Mr. Lupo's term will end 12/31/2018 and Mr. Phillips term will end 12/31/2020. It was moved by Councilmember Sperring and seconded by Councilmember Pauley. Motion carried. Mayor Chestnut reappointed Stephanie Bridges and Stana Cummings to the Parks and Recreation Advisory Board. Their term will end 12/31/2020. It was moved by Councilmember Sperring and seconded by Councilmember Moran. Motion carried. Mayor Chestnut swore in David Dutton as the Fire Chief for the City.

NEW BUSINESS

- A. Ordinance 1311 - Adopting RCW 9.01. Moved by Councilmember Moran and seconded by Councilmember Pauley. Motion Carried.
- B. Ordinance 1312 – Prohibiting the discharge of firearms in the City of Cosmopolis. Councilmember Pauley moved to amend the ordinance to reference RCW. Mayor Chestnut asked Councilmember Pauley, Police Chief Stratton, and City Attorney Hyde to work together to rewrite the ordinance. Once that is complete, the Mayor will advertise for a special meeting.
- C. Ordinance 1313- Amending CMC 18.48 Flood Damage Prevention. This ordinance adopts the latest FEMA maps for Grays Harbor County. It was moved by Councilmember Moran and seconded by Councilmember Sperring. Motion Carried.

COUNCIL COMMENTS

Councilmember Pauley stated a lot of bills are on the table in the legislature. Rep. Walsh had one on the table to reestablish tourism funding and another one related to hydro power.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Jim Lohr, 724 Dewitt Drive, is in favor of an ordinance for no discharge of a firearm within the City limits. He has renters in the area and they are not comfortable with the situation that occurred recently.

Meeting Adjourned.

Deputy Clerk

Attest:

Mayor