

City of Cosmopolis
Regular Meeting Minutes
February 15, 2017

Mayor Frank Chestnut presiding

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

Staff Present: City Administrator Darrin Raines, Fire Chief Dave Dutton, Attorney Steve Hyde, Police Chief Casey Stratton and Clerk-Treasurer Julie Pope

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

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

CONSENT AGENDA

It was moved by Councilmember Sperring and seconded by Councilmember Moran to approve the consent agenda consisting of the January 18, 2017 regular meeting minute, and vouchers #22356 through #22405 in the amount of \$57,213.32. Motion approved.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Public Safety- Fire Chief Dutton stated Tony Sarabia is a candidate for the Cosmopolis Volunteer Fire Department. Councilmember Sperring stated he is confident that the Fire Department has properly vetted the candidate. It was moved by Councilmember Sperring and seconded by Councilmember Pauley to accept the candidate. Motion approved.

Council of Governments – Per Councilmember Sperring, the Council of Governments will have elections tomorrow night.

E-911 – The admin board met recently to discuss the date for the new system to go live.

Legislative – The Legislature is approaching a deadline for bills to make it to the Senate.

CITY OFFICIAL REPORTS

Finance – Clerk-Treasurer presented the Council with a quote from Crexendo to provide the City with a new phone system that will save the City approximately \$90 a month if we lease the phones from Crexendo. If the phones were to be purchased, the cost of the system would be \$2877. Councilmember Sperring stated that this is something that has been brought up before. Councilmember Pauley wanted to know what fund this would be coming out of. Per Mayor Chestnut, this was something that was in mind when the Equipment Fund was set up. It was moved by Councilmember Moran and seconded by Councilmember Sperring to purchase the phones from Crexendo through the new Equipment Fund and the monthly service to be taken out of the General Fund. Motion approved.

Police – Chief Stratton stated that at 911 there is a new system for dispatching. One of the options is a GPS enabled system for patrol cars. The Explorer patrol car is now out of operation. Ordinance 1312 is something that the police can enforce. We have tailored the RCW to be a little more restrictive.

Fire – Chief Dutton stated that we have another 10 calls since the last meeting. We have 19 calls year to date. All of the equipment covered under the FEMA grant has arrived except the air pack bottles which will arrive in the next couple of weeks. Cascade Air systems are due to be installed on March 10, 2017. We have three members of the community are interested in applying for the Fire Department. This will be the first time in over 10 years that we will have a staffing level of 20 volunteers. Chief Dutton is setting up training to bring our Firefighters up to Level 1. Mayor Chestnut has asked Chief Dutton to let the Council know how training is progressing throughout the year.

City Administrator – The Mill Creek Dam went out to bid. It will run for a month. Thirteen contractors and one supplier has picked up plans. The Corp of Engineers permit will be done end of March, first part of April. Engineering is 100% and plans are approved. City Administrator Raines stated that Task Order #5 is in front of the Council for approval. It was moved by Councilmember Moran and seconded by Councilmember Sperring to approve Task Order #5. Motion approved. Administrator Raines handed out information to the Council regarding Annexation options for the Council to study.

MAYOR'S REPORT

Mayor Chestnut stated that there are many avenues for annexation. We need to decide which avenue to take and what areas the City wishes to annex. Mayor Chestnut read Resolution 2017-1 recognizing John and Mary Norkoski's achievement of their milestone of being married for 78 years. It was moved by Councilmember Sperring and seconded by Councilmember Moran. Motion approved. Last Saturday, the Council met in a retreat

setting to discuss economic development. The items discussed were annexation, the boat launch, an RV park, light manufacturing and a marijuana shop.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

- A. Ordinance 1312 - Prohibiting the discharge of firearms in the City of Cosmopolis. It was moved by Councilmember Pauley and seconded by Councilmember Sperring. Motion approved.

NEW BUSINESS

- A. RV Dwelling Permits for Jerry Stoddard and Kellie & Corey Daniels - Per City Administrator Raines, Mr. Stoddard did not turn in his paperwork. It was moved by Councilmember Moran and seconded by Councilmember Pauley to allow the RV Dwelling Permit for Kellie & Corey Daniels. Motion approved.
- B. Memorandum of Understanding for Patrol Cars from Quinault Indian Public Safety Division - Deputy Chief Layman struck a deal with the Taholah Police Department for three surplus 2010 Dodge Charger patrol cars. The cost to the City would be 240 hours of Deputy Chief Layman's time to provide firearms training to the Taholah Police Department. Per Chief Stratton, at this time, this is just a head's up as the patrol cars are in use. The Taholah Police Department is waiting for their new cars to arrive.
- C. Vehicles – Per Mayor Chestnut, the City is going to have some vehicles to surplus. At the Council's retreat, take home patrol cars was discussed. This would provide an overall reduction in maintenance costs. Mayor Chestnut stated that he would like to start leasing vehicles at a reasonable rate and then turnover after warranties expire. This would create a sensible rotation of equipment throughout the City.

COUNCIL COMMENTS

Councilmember Pauley stated that there are only three annexation methods that apply to us. Councilmember Pauley wanted to know if the time frame for the Corp of Engineers report firm. City Administrator Raines stated that the City has everything in place. We are just waiting for the permit. City Administrator Raines and Mayor Chestnut will ask for Congressional help if it is needed. Councilmember Sperring thanks the City crew for all their help with the roads during the icy weather. Councilmember Moran thanked the City Hall crew for their hard work during the retirement of the Finance Director and training of the new deputy clerk.

Meeting Adjourned.

Clerk-Treasurer

Attest:

Mayor