

**City of Cosmopolis
Regular Meeting Minutes
January 17, 2018**

Mayor Frank Chestnut presiding.

Councilmembers present: Debbi Moran, Kyle Pauley, Carl Sperring, Dale Andrews, and Jim Ancich.

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

OATH OF OFFICE

Mayor Chestnut swore in Councilmembers Debbi Moran and Dale Andrews.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Councilmember Moran made a motion to accept the agenda. It was seconded by Councilmember Ancich. Motion carried.

APPROVAL OF CONSENT AGENDA

Approval of the consent agenda consisting of December 20, 2017 regular meeting minutes and Vouchers #23159-23231 in the amount of \$79,864.34 and Payroll Vouchers 13797-13805 in the amount of \$60,200.02. Councilmember Moran made a motion to accept. It was seconded by Councilmember Ancich. Motion carried.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Public Safety: Councilmember Sperring stated the Fire Department is proposing a new member, Sage Bridges. He has been fully vetted. He moved to accept the Sage Bridges as a provisional member. It was seconded by Councilmember Moran. Motion carried.

Parks: Councilmember Pauley stated that they are waiting on LTAC funding. They are waiting to assemble the new park playground equipment until it is cleaned and better weather.

Legislative: Councilmember Sperring stated that they are in session. They are working on gun issues, marijuana, and other issues. There has been no word on the Hurst Decision or the Capital Budget. There is also talk of a new Carbon Tax.

CITY OFFICIAL REPORTS

Clerk-Treasurer Pope: Due to the Audit and Holidays, the year end Financials and Reports will be given out at the next meeting. New Hire Kristina Eccles, is a great fit for the City. She is a quick learner.

Attorney Johnson: Attorney Johnson gave out a draft ordinance for Water Remission Rates for the Council to consider. He also handed out draft changes to the City's personnel policies. They are for clothing allowance, travel expenses, cell phone stipend, and the new sick leave law.

Police Chief Stratton: Chief Stratton asked for a moment of silence in honor of slain Pierce County Deputy Daniel McCartney.

Fire Chief Dutton: Chief Dutton stated that they had 209 calls last year. This was an average year. He thanked the Council for approving their new recruit. He stated that new recruits now have one year of probation.

City Administrator Raines: City Administrator Raines stated that during the last year we have discussed Annexation. He and the Mayor will be working hard during the first quarter of 2018 to get this going while the dam project is down. Quigg Bros Inc. will be out of the dam until May of this year. Tim Hume, the project manager from HDR, left the company last Friday to start a new venture. We have approximately 6 new housing starts this year.

MAYOR'S REPORT

Mayor Chestnut went over the year in review for Grays Harbor Transit. Mayor Chestnut updated the Committee assignment for 2018. Public Works will be Councilmembers Ancich and Councilmember Andrews. Public Safety will be Councilmember Sperring and Councilmember Moran. Finance will be Councilmember Sperring and Councilmember Pauley. Parks will be Councilmember Moran and Councilmember Pauley.

NEW BUSINESS

- A. Connection Center Contract (Children's Advocacy Center):** Per Mayor Chestnut stated the contract is basically the same as it has been in prior years. Chief Stratton stated that the major change is that they charge hourly for transcriptions now. Councilmember Sperring moved to accept the contract. Councilmember Moran seconded. Motion carried.
- B. Resolution 2018-1 (Small Works Roster):** Attorney Johnson stated the resolution is to use MRSC for our Small Works Roster. This roster is bigger than any City would have on its own. The City would pay a fee to use the roster, but MRSC would do all of work and comply with all requirements. Councilmember Sperring moved to accept the Resolution. Councilmember Andrews seconded. Motion carried.

COUNCIL COMMENTS

Councilmember Pauley: Councilmember Pauley welcomed Councilmember Andrews.

Councilmember Moran: Councilmember Moran also welcomed Councilmember Andrews.

Councilmember Andrews: Councilmember Andrews welcomed the opportunity to serve on the Council.

Meeting adjourned.

Clerk-Treasurer

Attest:

Mayor