

**City of Cosmopolis
Regular Meeting Minutes
August 15, 2018**

Mayor Pro Tem Carl Sperring presiding.

Councilmembers present: Jim Ancich, Debbi Moran, Kyle Pauley, and Carl Sperring. Mayor Pro Tem asked the Council to excuse Councilmember Andrews. It was moved by Councilmember Pauley and seconded by Councilmember Moran. Motion carried.

Staff Present: Attorney Steve Johnson, Fire Chief David Dutton, Police Deputy Chief Heath Layman, and Clerk-Treasurer Julie Pope.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

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

APPROVAL OF CONSENT AGENDA

Approval of the consent agenda consisting of June 20, 2018 regular meeting minutes, July 5, 2018 Special Meeting and Vouchers #23805 through 23838 in the amount of \$49,434.46, Payroll Vouchers #14028 through 14071 in the amount of \$86,909.74 and EFTs dated 8/12/18 through 8/26/18 in the amount of \$54,675.88. Councilmember Moran made a motion to accept. It was seconded by Councilmember Ancich. Motion carried.

CITY OFFICIAL REPORTS

Clerk-Treasurer Pope: Per Clerk-Treasurer Pope, the recent audit results will be posted tomorrow, August 16, 2018. There were two findings. One finding was for Utility Billing and Receipting, and the other finding was for internal controls. The corrections will be made by end of this year. The years audited were 2014-2016. Clerk-Treasurer Pope stated that this last year we updated lighting throughout the City with LED lighting thanks to a grant from the PUD. Year to Date we have saved almost \$7500.00. She also stated that eleven people signed up for the Facilities Advisory Committee.

Police Department: Deputy Chief Layman stated that we are finalizing the hiring of a lateral police officer. He is hopeful it will be completed tomorrow. We still have a position that needs to be filled.

Fire Department: Chief Dutton stated that we have had 124 calls this year. The Department has received their new equipment. Chief Dutton has a new volunteer for the Fire Department. They would like to bring Shawn Benson on board as a new recruit. Councilmember Moran made a motion to approve the new recruit. It was seconded by Councilmember Pauley. Motion carried.

City Administrator: Clerk-Treasurer Pope stated that the Mill Creek Dam is close to completion. Once completed, the park will be reopened. Remaining items are listed below in New Business.

MAYOR'S REPORT

Mayor Pro Tem stated that the Municipal Building Committee plans on starting meeting in September after Labor Day. At the first meeting, the department heads will represent to the committee what their needs are.

NEW BUSINESS

- A. Resolution 2018-4 Multi Jurisdiction Hazard Mitigation Plan** – City Attorney Johnson stated that in order to receive FEMA grants, Cities must have a hazard mitigation plan. The current plan covers multiple jurisdictions and is over 800 pages. This is available at City Hall and was presented to the Council. Councilmember Moran made a motion to approve the resolution. It was seconded by Councilmember Pauley. Motion carried.
- B. Ordinance 1321 (Abatement of Public Nuisance)** – Mayor Pro Tem Sperring stated that this has been presented to the Council several months ago. Per City Attorney Johnson, this allows the City Administrator to take action in a timely manner. It defines what a public nuisance is very clearly. Councilmember Moran made a motion to accept the ordinance. Councilmember Pauley seconded. Motion carried.
- C. No Parking Zone** – Deputy Chief Layman stated that the residents in the area supported. This will prevent accidents due to lack of sight. The ordinance will be presented at the next Council meeting. This pertains to the 300 block of Holly.

COUNCIL COMMENTS

Councilmember Pauley: Stated that he is pursuing additional education at Grays Harbor College. He stated that he starts next month.

Councilmember Moran: She thanked the Fire Department for their National Night Out barbeque. She also thanks the Clerk-Treasurer for her hard work during the audit.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Donna Leske, 924 Altenau: Ms. Leske gave the City some pictures of the sidewalks that were engraved. She stated she loves the City. She also stated that she walks the City regularly. The sidewalks in the City are really bad. She gave the City a journal stating which sidewalks need the most repair. She would also like to address where people keep their garbage cans and how long. People are also not parking appropriately.

Cathy Shapansky, Second Street: She thanked the Mayor for responding to her complaint. She also thanked City Attorney Johnson for meeting with her. There have been a multitude of issues with her neighbor for twenty years. There are way too many issues that keep happening. She is hopeful the Public Nuisance ordinance will help the City enforce the codes.

Meeting adjourned.

Clerk-Treasurer

Attest:

Mayor Pro Tem