

**City of Cosmopolis
Special Meeting Minutes
March 6, 2019**

Mayor Frank Chestnut presiding.

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

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

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Councilmember Sperring 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 February regular meeting minutes and Vouchers #24280 through 24318 in the amount of \$20,052.95, Payroll Vouchers #14249 through #14254 in the amount of \$15,871.21 and EFTs dated 2/24/2019 through 2/24/2019 in the amount of \$26801.26. Councilmember Moran made a motion to accept. It was seconded by Councilmember Sperring. Motion carried.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Public Safety – The committee met with Chief Stratton and discussed range ammo, a new vehicle, an eye wash station and sink, upgraded hearing and eye protection, animal control, and SWAT training SOP.

Parks – The committee met with the Planning Committee to discuss the Parks Comprehensive Plan.

Legislative – HB1691 would provide additional funding for culverts. HB2069 will limit City utility collection. These bills are still in the Legislature. Budget discussions have started.

CITY OFFICIAL REPORTS

Clerk-Treasurer – Clerk-Treasurer Pope stated they are still having issues with the current software. She is looking at different software.

City Attorney – Court is being moved from the 21st to the 14th of this month.

Police Department – Chief Stratton is meeting with Aberdeen Police to discuss Animal Control. The faucet in the lunch room is beyond repair. Since we are replacing this, he would like to add an eye wash station at the same time. He is working on an SOP for SWAT training. Mayor Chestnut stated that he received a phone call from former County Auditor Vern Spatz to thank the Police Department for their coverage of the trail.

City Administrator – Administrator Raines met with HDR and the Department of Fish & Wildlife to finalize the water rights for Mill Creek Dam. On Mill Creek Drive, we are conducting dangerous tree removal. He stated some of them are rotten.

Mayor's Report

Mayor Chestnut stated his only item is item A under new business. He had the City Attorney prepare Resolution 2019-2 declaring an emergency. Attorney Johnson read the emergency resolution. It is to authorize the Mayor to enter in a contract with Rognlin's Inc. to repair the water main along Third Street. City employees will be helping the Rognlin's crew to keep costs down. We are still trying to determine funding. Work to begin next week. Councilmember Sperring made a motion to accept the resolution. Councilmember Pauley seconded it. Motion carried.

NEW BUSINESS

a. **Water Main Breaks on Third Street** - City Administrator Raines stated he is speaking with the Bank of the Pacific to secure funding. They are looking at Revenue Bonds to fund the project. This would be paid by the water rates. We are also looking at a couple of different avenues before bringing to the Council. Administrator Raines stated the breaks started initially on J Street four years ago. When we installed a pump the beginning of this year, the pump created pressure surges, it created cracks along the line which then exploded. The original line was installed in the mid 1950's. Total materials and labor to be \$140,0000. Councilmember Sperring moved to give the City Administrator authority to secure funding for up to \$145,000. Seconded by Councilmember Moran. Motion carried.

b. **Resolution 2019-1 (Monthly Vacation Accrual)** – Attorney Johnson stated this resolution takes the City employees annual vacation and accrues it on a monthly basis. Councilmember Sperring made a motion to accept. It was seconded by Councilmember Andrews. Motion carried.

COUNCIL COMMENTS

Councilmember Ancich – He was contacted by a resident about a neighbor leaving out garbage cans. Chief Stratton stated he had talked to the resident.

Meeting adjourned.

Clerk-Treasurer

Attest:

Mayor