

**City of Cosmopolis  
Regular Meeting Minutes  
April 17, 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, Fire Chief Jerry Schreck, and Clerk-Treasurer Julie Pope.

**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 March regular meeting minutes and Vouchers #24352 through 24413 in the amount of \$277,564.11, Payroll Vouchers #14264 through #14288 in the amount of \$73,423.52 and EFTs dated 3/24/19 through 4/12/19 in the amount of \$45,693.39. Councilmember Sperring made a motion to accept. It was seconded by Councilmember Moran. Motion carried.

**COMMITTEE REPORTS**

**Parks Committee** – Councilmember Pauley stated they met last week to discuss the Parks Comprehensive Plan update. They discussed sending out a survey to see what people would like to see in our parks. The Committee is trying to find some small non-matching grants to do some small upgrades.

**Greater Grays Harbor** – Mayor Chestnut stated they had a presentation from the EDC in the Olympia area who discussed the Opportunity Zone Theory which involves private enterprise investing in business opportunities for tax credits.

**Legislative** – Per Councilmember Sperring, they are still discussing the budget.

**CITY OFFICIAL REPORTS**

**Clerk-Treasurer** – Clerk-Treasurer Pope stated the First Quarter 2019 reports are ready. It looks normal for this time of year.

**Fire Chief** - We have had 65 call to date. We called L&I out to discuss the boat. It became an inspection. Our only issue was to have an MSDS for Clorox bleach. The Fire Department and Police Department was working with the Public Works Department to acquire connexes for storage and training. City Administrator Raines stated that funding will have to May per Clerk-Treasurer Pope.

**Police Chief** – We found a black Tahoe to purchase from Bud Clary Chevrolet. We also had a SWAT callout in Montesano yesterday.

**City Administrator** – The 3<sup>rd</sup> Street water line repair is finished. The bill came in \$40,000 under what was estimated. We are still working with lenders to get some better proposals together. On April 29<sup>th</sup>, we will be having a meeting at the Fire Department for Areawide Planning which was paid for by the Brownfield grant monies.

**Code Enforcement** – Chief Stratton stated that our current ordinances don't allow us to tow a car left in one of our parks. It states only on public streets. He would like the Council to take a look at adding verbiage for parks in our ordinance. He stated that we have 100% compliance on the recent letters sent out. Mr. Duffy was talked to about his bees. He said he was never notified that they were denied their conditional use permit. We will be sending him the proper notice.

**Mayor's Report**

He and Administrator Raines attended the Tsunami Roadshow. It was loaded with information about how a Tsunami is created to what would be the assumed effect of a Tsunami on our coast. The projects committee of the Flood Authority met recently to discuss the status of projects. The Flood Authority will be meeting tomorrow to discuss where the authority will be headed next.

**NEW BUSINESS**

- a. **Purchase of Financial Software** – Councilmember Sperring moved to purchase the BIAS software. It was seconded by Councilmember Moran. Motion carried.
- b. **Employment Contract for City Administrator** – Mayor Chestnut stated that the Council directed the staff to prepare the contract. Councilmember Sperring moved to approve the contract as presented to them. It was seconded by Councilmember Andrews. Motion carried.

**COUNCIL COMMENTS**

**Councilmember Sperring** – He had a citizen approach him regarding gravel and rock on First Street from the Cosmo entrance. It is creating a hazard. Administrator Raines stated that the responsibility is a combination of City and Cosmo. He stated that we will look into it. Councilmember Sperring stated the candidate filings will be in about a month.

**Councilmember Ancich** – He stated the City of Hoquiam has a sidewalk program and wondered if we had a similar program. Administrator Raines stated that in the past we had something similar, but with the current sidewalk budget we have not been able to fund it.

Meeting adjourned.

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Clerk-Treasurer

Attest:

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