

**CITY OF COSMOPOLIS**  
**Regular Meeting Minutes**  
**February 19, 2020**

**Mayor Kyle Pauley presiding**

**COUNCILMEMBERS PRESENT**

Debbi Moran, Dale Andrews, Candice Makos, Stana Cummings, and Jim Ancich.

**STAFF PRESENT**

City Administrator Darrin Raines, Deputy Clerk Kristina Eccles, Attorney Steve Johnson, Police Chief Casey Stratton, Fire Chief Cody Bridges

**APPROVAL OF AGENDA**

Motion was made to approve the agenda by Councilmember Moran and seconded by Councilmember Andrews. Motion carried.

**PUBLIC COMMENT REQUEST**

Terese Sareault 517 D Street

There is an ongoing issue with feral cats in the neighborhood. Thinking there is up to 7 feral cats. The issue of the cats spraying is a problem for many neighborhood homes. Worried that many more kittens will soon appear. They are not collared and worried some neighbors are possibly feeding them. City Administrator Darrin Raines said that he and Chief Stratton will be in contact with the individuals and that they need to take care of the problem. There is a limit of how many cats you can own. Mayor Pauley said that we will be looking into what we can do to try to take care of the problem.

Suzie Brenanstahl 513 G Street

August 1, 2020 from 10 to 6 is the date and time of the yearly lemonade stand this year. They would like to use the corner of 1<sup>st</sup> and C Street again this year to have their stand. They have used the lot for the last 3 years. They would also like to use the restrooms and use the fire station for storage. Also borrow a couple of tables. This will be the last year for the stand as it will be Susie's senior project. Main goal is to make it to \$25,000.00 and they are currently at \$23,000.00.

**CONSENT AGENDA**

Vouchers from 2/6/2020-2/19/2020 and EFT dated 2/14/2020-2/18/2020 Councilmember Moran made a motion to accept and Councilmember Andrews seconded the motion. Motion carried.

**CITY OFFICIAL REPORTS**

**Fire Chief**– The new fire truck has been brought home. New and old equipment has been being put on the new truck. Should be in service in about a month. New recruit will be joining them at the end of the meeting. There is a software for the station that they have looked into getting. It would keep track of everything that is needed. The cost is \$2700.00 a year with a \$89 to add more people onto the account. Being funds are tight, the software company will let us start the program and delay billing until we can pay for it. Councilmember Candice Makos made a motion to purchase and was seconded by Councilmember Jim Ancich. As per Councilmember Dale Andrews, would like to have a meeting moving forward to go over the plans of this software before approving. It was moved to table the motion by Dale Andrews and was seconded by Debbie Moran. We will bring it back at the next meeting. Possibly a special meeting.

**City Administrator** – Harbors Architects does not have a report turned in to us due to the main architect was out with an illness. They should have one to us by the end of the week. We can then set a special meeting to discuss it.

4<sup>th</sup> Street paving is needing to take place between B Street and the school's field. It is the worst road in the City. It is beyond patching for repairs. Neighbors have been contacted. People have tripped because of the condition of the road. Cosmopolis school Superintendent Cherie Patterson was asked to come to the meeting to let us know what their concern is. Mrs. Patterson then explained that their biggest concern is the rain water that is going through the cracks in the asphalt. This may be the underlying result in what the school having to pay for repairs to the school's gym. There has always been issues of people including herself whom has rolled her ankle on the broken concrete. Kids have also picked up pieces of the concrete and brought it into the play area. Administrator Raines said that the City received an estimate from Lakeside Industries in the amount of \$28,000.00. We don't have currently have the money in place. We will have to work on this issue and hope to bring it back up in April or May. Intersection of B Street to the end of the road by the field is what would be repaved.

2019 F150 new public works truck. Five Star has one on the lot that we would like to purchase for the amount of \$34,000.00. They beat state purchasing by \$4000.00. Councilmember Debbi Moran made a motion to purchase and Councilmember Jim Ancich seconded. Motion carried.

Mill Creek needs final repairs done. To cover the work, the engineers have approved the repairs but the budget that was left is used up. They sent over a task order 7 amendment 1 for the total of \$2500.00 which would cover the rest of HDR work. Councilmember Ancich asked if there is a way that could be back charged to the contractor. We could, but it could get dragged out longer, which could cost more in legal fees. We will also get a 2-year warranty after paying the \$2500.00. Councilmember Ancich made a motion to accept the task order 7, amendment 1. Councilmember Andrews seconded. Motion carried.

**Deputy Police Chief-** Deputy Chief Heath Layman has gone to look at the new police Tahoe in Olympia. It should be ready to be brought here by the end of the week. There was a recent search warrant which ended with 409 long arms and 2 pistols seized from a convicted felon.

Training has been done at the fire range in Hoquiam. All of our officers are doing well, and they are all qualified. Reserve academy is still on for September. We received a traffic safety grant that \$1300 which will be used for new radar. Windows 7 was newly updated to Windows 10 at no cost to the city. However new handheld scanners will need to be purchased in the amount of 1200.00.

### **MAYOR'S REPORT**

There was an incident on 2nd Street where a construction worker fell and was injured. We have a Citizen Letter of Commendation for Cosmopolis resident Kyle Brook made by Deputy Chief Layman. In the letter it states that Mr. Brook went without hesitation to start lifesaving first aid to the wounded man. As stated in the letter he went above and beyond to save a life.

Mayor Pauley went to Cosmopolis School to talk to Mrs. Burns 1<sup>st</sup> grade class. He received a book from the students that was shared at the meeting. He also went to the great kindness tunnel at the school.

Sale of land. Daniels Industrial will be purchasing land on First Street. They agreed to the proposed offer.

### **NEW BUSINESS**

- A. New Public Works Superintendent** – Jeff Nations will be taking on the new title. He will be helping to make the public works department more efficient. Motion on the table to accept Ordinance 1346 from Councilmember Moran and seconded by Councilmember Cummings. Motion carried. The ordinance creates the position in a new chapter. Chapter 215 repeals 2.28 also repeals most of 244.
- B. Excavator** – We can get a better interest rate to have the new truck and excavator on a combined loan. Request made for \$121,000.00 5 year at 3.774% loan. Payment would be \$2216.08 payment. We will not exceed 6 year loan Councilmember Ancich made a motion to accept the loan and it was seconded by Councilmember Moran. Motion carried.
- C. Committee Reports** – Committee appointments: Miles Wenzel – Parks, Rec., and Cemetery Advisory Board. Keith Worsham – Parks, Rec., and Cemetery Advisory Board. Bill Simpson – Board of Adjustment. Frank Chestnut – Facility Advisory Committee. Carl Sperring – Facility Advisory Committee.
- D. Bradly Clark** – New volunteer firefighter. Councilmember Andrews made a motion to accept the new recruit. It was seconded by Deb Moran. Motion carried.

### **COUNCIL COMMENTS**

**Councilmember Andrews-** Money from the sale of the property would be nice to have the funds go to some of the 4<sup>th</sup> Street work that was done. We have to find out the legalities as to where that money can go to.

**Councilmember Ancich** - Street lights. Have we heard from the state about the street lights being replaced. The one across from the city hall is up but not working yet. We have got bids on the one by the coffee stand, waiting to see what needs to be done. Also looking into insurance helping out with them. Also LED lights being put in on certain poles. Electricians have looked at the metal poles and when the lights go out P.U.D. has been changing out the lights.

Mayor Pauley would like to have a special meeting scheduled for March 4, 2020 at 7 p.m. to go over a couple things on the agenda.

### **Public Comments**

**Cheri Patterson, Cosmopolis School.** She thanked the Cosmopolis Police for everything they have done to help out with traffic around the school. She then thanked the fire department for having a couple of their volunteer firefighters coming over to the school to talk to the children and a thank you to Darrin Raines for helping with anything that comes up.

**Jeannine Bramstedt** 516 D Street. Do we already have the excavator? Yes, we do. Location of the property we sold. It is the lot we own on First Street. Wondering who the new Public Works Superintendent is. Not a new hire, a current employee.

Meeting adjourned.

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Deputy Clerk

Attest:

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Mayor