

City of Cosmopolis
Regular Council Meeting
January 16th, 2013

Mayor Vickie L. Raines presided.

Councilmembers Present: Frank Chestnut, Karen Cox, Carl Sperring, Jim Ancich and Debbi Moran

Staff Present: Finance Director Kathy Welch, Fire Chief Al Burrows, Attorney Steve Hyde, and Public Works Director Darrin Raines

Mayor Raines opened the meeting at 7:08 p.m.

It was moved by Jim Ancich and seconded by Carl Sperring to approve the Agenda.

It was moved by Debbi Moran and seconded by Carl Sperring to approve the Consent Agenda consisting of the minutes from December 19th, 2012 and vouchers #18432 through 18511 & 18516 in the amount of \$93,748.42.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Public Safety – Carl reported that Karen Cox, Steve Davis, the Mayor and himself met to discuss the agreement for the Fire Department

Public Works – Jim Ancich said they met to discuss weight limits on Mill Creek Drive. They also discussed surplus items and the sewer contract. Mayor Raines will schedule a workshop for the sewer contract.

Greater Grays Harbor – Mayor Raines said that as of January 1st, Mayor Simpson, Aberdeen, will be the new Chairperson for 2013

Council of Government – Mayor Raines said that she would cover COG when Frank cannot attend. Frank said that he has returned back to work and might not always be available to attend.

E 9-1-1 – Mayor Raines said that they met earlier in the month to approve vouchers and expenditures.

Legislative – Carl Sperring said Jay Insley was sworn in as Governor. New County Commissioners are reviewing the budget.

Mayor Raines said that she updated the Council Committees and will send them to Council.

CITY OFFICIALS

Finance Director – Finance Director Welch reported that some records were destroyed in the storage room at the shop due to a leak in the roof. These records will be recorded and disposed of as they are creating a mildew problem.

Police – Chief Stratton is still out of the office. Assistant Chief Heath Layman is not in attendance tonight due to shift conflict.

Fire Chief – Chief Burrows thanked Mayor Raines and Captain Steve Davis for their extensive work on the Fire Ordinance. Nice job. Chief Burrows reported that they had their first fire on Stanford Drive @ 12:30 Saturday night. Cody Bridges is taking EMT classes.

Public Works – Public Works Director Raines said that Bill Sidor submitted his annual Building Official report. Darrin said that we are hoping for more activity this year. We will be listing three surplus vehicles from drug seizures. The City will accept sealed bids of minimum \$500 for the Ranger PU, \$200 Nissan and \$200 for Chevy Nova. On duly carried motion by Karen Cox and seconded by Debbi Moran the above items are surplus. We have been receiving some complaints about the garbage cans on the streets. Darrin will contact LeMay to address these issues.

MAYOR'S REPORT

Mayor Raines said that the Fire Department is looking at burning the yellow house on First Street. We need to talk to ORCA. There is a possibility that First Street would need to be shut down to do this. Mayor Raines said there will be a meeting January 30th at 5:30 at the Rotary Log Pavilion to listen to Westway, Imperium Renewables and Us Development, three proponents of bringing in crude oil by rail to the Port of Grays

Call to order

Approval of agenda

Consent agenda

Committee Reports

City Official Reports

Mayor's Report

Harbor. Any oil used in the United States must be refined in the US. Six of the nine Mayors in the County have already heard a presentation. Information booths will be set up so people can go get answers to their questions.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

A. Authorize Mayor to sign Children’s Advocacy Agreement

On duly carried motion by Carl Sperring and seconded by Frank Chestnut, Mayor Raines is authorized to sign the agreement with the Children’s Advocacy Center for 2013.

NEW BUSINESS

A. – Election Mayor Pro Tem

Frank Chestnut made a motion to nominate Carl Sperring for Mayor Pro Tem for 2013, Debbi Moran seconded. On duly carried motion Carl Sperring is Mayor Pro Tem for 2013.

B. – Ordinance No. 1271 – Cosmopolis Fire Department

On duly carried motion by Debbi Moran and seconded by Karen Cox the reading of Ordinance No. 1271 is waived. Mayor Raines explained that the City and the Fire Department has been working on this document for the past year. They have also sent it to the State Auditor to ensure that it will meet their requirements. In Section 2 – the supervisor is omitted as this falls within the SOPs of the Department. Section 5. Frank asked that a grammar entry be edited. Frank asked that in keeping with the times that we refer to his/her designee instead of just his. On duly carried motion by Debbi Moran and seconded by Jim Ancich Ordinance NO. 1271 is approved.

C. Authorize Mayor to sign Interlocal Agreement with Grays Harbor County (Jail Services)

Attorney Hyde commented on the excellent job the committee did in drafting this contract. Mayor Raines said that the group of Mayors and Chiefs met on several occasions to come up with a working document. She said that Chief Myers was especially helpful with his professional input. On duly carried motion by Debbi Moran and seconded by Karen Cox, Mayor Raines is authorized to sign the Interlocal Agreement with Grays Harbor County for jail services.

COUNCIL COMMENTS

Debbi Moran said that she is totally disgusted with LeMays. Garbage is left all over the streets. Debbi wanted to know whose responsibility it is to clean it up. Mayor Raines said that we are looking into this. Public Works Director Raines will contact LeMays.

Jim Ancich said that Hoquiam Sanitation is reviewing the garbage situation in Cosi and might be interested in submitting a proposal for garbage service in Cosmopolis.

Finance Director

Attest:

Mayor

**Unfinished
Business**

**New
Business**

**Council
Comments**

