

**City of Cosmopolis  
Regular Meeting Minutes  
February 20, 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, Fire Chief Jerry Schreck, Police Chief Casey Stratton, 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 January 16, 2019 regular meeting and workshop and Vouchers #24191 through 24279 in the amount of \$93,253.27, Payroll Vouchers #14203 through #14248 in the amount of \$113,788.04 and EFTs dated 1/27/2019 through 2/10/2019 in the amount of \$45,860.82. Councilmember Moran made a motion to accept. It was seconded by Councilmember Sperring. Motion carried.

**COMMITTEE REPORTS**

**Public Works** – Per Councilmember Ancich, the committee met tonight prior to the meeting. They discussed the water line issues. Per City Administrator Raines, we have had 10 breaks along the same line. The whole section needs to be replaced. The one estimate received from Rognlin’s came back at \$180,000. In the next two weeks, he will get together with Rognlin’s to find ways to get the amount down to an acceptable amount. We hope to get started by the end of March. Administrator Raines would like to request a Special Meeting to discuss this on March 6, 2019. Councilmember Ancich stated that they also discussed purchasing a mini-excavator which was included in the 2019 budget.

**Legislature** – Councilmember Sperring stated that there are a lot of bills in the legislature at this time.

**CITY OFFICIAL REPORTS**

**Clerk-Treasurer** – Clerk-Treasurer Pope stated that she is finishing up the year end financial statements. She stated that she is continuing to have issues with the financial software. She is contacting BIAS software and Springbrook software to discuss their software and the costs.

**Police Department** – Chief Stratton is requesting a Public Safety meeting to discuss some of the budget items requested. He would also like to meet with the Fire Chief to discuss co-op training with the two departments.

**Fire Department** – Chief Schreck stated they have had 31 calls to date. Engine 21 failed the pump test. There are valves that need to be repaired. The work should be completed in a week. He would like to surplus aid car 7641 and a Cascade Air System. Councilmember Sperring made a motion to surplus the Cascade Air System and Aid Car 7641. It was seconded by Councilmember Pauley. Motion carried.

**City Administrator** – Administrator Raines stated that the Department of Ecology and Department of Fish & Wildlife requires us to have legal water rights for the Mill Creek Dam. He presented Task Order #6 from HDR to satisfy the requirements to get the rights. Total cost is \$8520. We cannot use the fish ladder until this is completed. Councilmember Sperring moved to accept Task Order #6 in the amount of \$8520. It was seconded by Councilmember Pauley. Motion carried. Administrator Raines presented the Council with an Annexation Study of the parcels the City would like to take in. He also presented the Council with a salary survey of other Mayors and City Councilmembers. He feels it is time to give raises for these positions. The City has taken a few trees from Franklin Park. We will also be removing more trees that are deemed dangerous.

**Mayor’s Report**

Mayor Chestnut reminded everyone to lock their vehicle doors at night. We have been hit with car prowls and most of the cars were unlocked. He commended the Police Department with apprehending the suspects involved with the prowls. Mayor Chestnut stated he would like to keep all committee assignments the same for this year. The Cosmopolis Fire Association would like to approval to provide beer and wine at their Chinese auction on Saturday, February 23<sup>rd</sup>. They have obtained a banquet permit from the Washington State Liquor Control Board. They have hired a licensed bartender to serve the alcohol. Councilmember Sperring made a motion to allow the Fire Association to serve beer and wine at the Chinese auction. It was seconded by Councilmember Pauley. Motion carried. Vote 4-ayes, 1 no.

**COUNCIL COMMENTS**

**Councilmember Sperring** - He thanked the Public Works crew for all of their hard work with plowing and keeping the roads salted during the snow storm.

Meeting adjourned.

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Clerk-Treasurer

Attest:

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