

CITY OF COSMOPOLIS
Regular Meeting Minutes
December 4, 2019

Mayor Frank Chestnut presiding

Councilmembers present: Debbi Moran, Dale Andrews, Kyle Pauley, and Carl Sperring. Councilmember Moran made a motion to excuse Councilmember Ancich. Councilmember Sperring seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Staff present: City Administrator Darrin Raines, Clerk-Treasurer Julie Pope, Attorney Steve Johnson, Police Chief Casey Stratton, Fire Chief Cody Bridges.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Mayor Chestnut would like to add item D to the agenda regarding the Fire Truck. Motion was made by Councilmember Pauley and seconded by Councilmember Moran to approve the agenda with the addition of item D. Motion carried.

APPROVAL OF CONSENT AGENDA

Approval of the Consent Agenda consisting of the December 4, 2019 regular meeting and workshop minutes and Vouchers #25277 through #25312 in the amount of \$34,885.92 Payroll Vouchers #25210 through #25276 in the amount of \$16,496.16 and EFT's dated 11/22/2019 through 11/22/2019 in the amount of \$32,884.29. Councilmember Sperring made a motion to accept the Consent Agenda and Councilmember Moran seconded the motion. Motion carried.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Council of Governments - Councilmember Sperring reported they met and discussed what was going to happen with the passage of effects of the \$30.00 car tab. It seems that anything dealing with trails, sidewalks and projects such as rails to trails would be greatly affected. He stated the meeting was very informative.

CITY OFFICIAL REPORTS

Clerk-Treasurer – Clerk Treasurer Pope said software is up and going and is working very well saving her a lot of time. She is playing catchup on other paperwork such as bank records. Things are looking good.

Police Chief – Chief Stratton reported on the Reserve Academy which will be held in September 2020. He has been in contact with Corey who is readying our new police vehicle for operation. Chief Stratton requested a firm due date from him.

Fire Chief – Chief Bridges said he will include his report with the fire truck discussion in agenda item D.

City-Administrator – City Administrator Raines received from Aberdeen the new water rate increase. He said the larger water users in the city will bear the largest brunt of the increase.

We currently use a system where a citizen is charged for the cubic feet they use. However, we may have to look at the tier system. If a family has several people in their home, then their bill will be much higher. When we put in our new meters and as well as putting in our new pumps it should help reduce the impact of the increases. He will have more scenarios at the next meeting.

MAYOR'S REPORT

Mayor Chestnut said he had spent an afternoon with a GH Transit board member, the General Manager of GH Transit, a real estate agent and an owner of a building. The Transit is thinking of moving their administration functions. Operations and dispatching and will remain at their current location in Hoquiam. Mayor Chestnut extended an invitation to our December 18th meeting to the citizens of Cosmopolis. We will have a brief meeting and our Open House.

NEW BUSINESS

- A. **Tilt Deck Trailer** – Councilmember Moran made a motion to purchase the Trail King Tilt Deck Trailer of \$11,000. Councilmember Andrews seconded the motion. Motion carried.
- B. **BIAS Software (My BIAS and permitting)** - A motion was made by Councilmember Moran and seconded by Councilmember Pauley to purchase the MyBIAS and Permitting software for a total of \$10,586.00. Motion carried.
- C. **RV Dwelling Permit- 611 Woodside** – A motion was made by Councilmember Moran to allow a Recreational Vehicle Dwelling Permit to 611 Woodside. The motion was seconded by Councilmember Andrews. Councilmember Kyle Pauley abstained. Motion carried.
- D. **Fire Truck Discussion** – Chief Bridges said there is a demo fire truck available at a price of \$469,000.00. Councilmember Pauley asked that more facts be available regarding the truck plus the City needs to entertain ways of how we are going to fund it so that will have less impact on our citizens.

COUNCIL COMMENTS

Councilmember Pauley said the bond issue for the Municipal Building had passed and he wanted to thank Mayor Chestnut and Councilmember Sperring for their help.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Ben King asked City Administrator Raines if the trailer had gone out for bid. He said it had. Mr. King also congratulated the city on passing the Municipal Building bond.

Mayor Chestnut adjourned the meeting.

Clerk-Treasurer

ATTEST:

Mayor

Clerk-Treasurer

Attest:

Mayor