

City of Coffman Cove
Regular City Council Meeting
Thursday, April 28, 2011 @ 7 p.m.
At City Office

Call to Order – Misty Fitzpatrick called the meeting to order at 7:04 pm.

Roll Call - Misty Fitzpatrick, present; Sara Yockey, present; Carolyn Duncan, absent; Elaine Price, present; Mariana Carter, present; Gary Wilburn, present.

Pledge of Allegiance

Public Comment – no public comment

Approval of Agenda - Sara reported Michelle Page did not want to be on the agenda as a person to be heard. Reports not available for review and to be removed from agenda are water/sewer report, IFA report, tourism report and Northend Port Authority report. Misty Fitzpatrick made a motion to approve the agenda as amended. Sara Yockey seconded, AIF.

Persons to be heard. - none

Appoint Council Seat G: Misty reported two names had been submitted, Randy Lenz and John Rice Jr. Gary asked the applicants why they wanted to be on the council. John Rice Jr. stated he submitted his application on April 1st and was not seriously asking to be on the council, he submitted his name as a joke. He stated he would run for a council seat at the next election. Randy Lenz stated he was running because the City needed someone on council and figured he would volunteer for it. He answered that he was a US citizen, could provide a birth certificate and was registered to vote locally. He stated he would vote for what was in the best interest of the community, what they would want. He wants to make sure things are being run above board, legal and done right. Gary clarified that Gordy Douglass was no longer running for the seat as well, Misty stated he had not resubmitted his name at this time. Sara Yockey made the motion to appoint Randy Lenz to Seat G for the term of one year, Marianna Carter seconded. Roll Call: Misty Fitzpatrick, yes; Sara Yockey, yes; Elaine Price, no; Marianna Carter, yes; Gary Wilburn, yes. Motion passes. Randy was sworn in and seated at the council table.

Consent Agenda:

1. Meeting Minutes
2. Project Manager's Report
3. Financial Report
4. Mayor's Report

Misty Fitzpatrick made a motion to approve the consent agenda; Elaine Price seconded it, AIF.

Correspondence / Issues – none.

Resolutions & Ordinances

1. Ordinance 11-06 - Introduce Title XIV - Northend Port Authority.

Elaine pointed out the only change in the ordinance was changing the word “north end” from two words into one word. Gary made a motion to introduce Ordinance 11-06 Northend Port Authority, Elaine seconded. Roll Call: Misty Fitzpatrick, yes; Sara Yockey, yes; Elaine Price, yes; Marianna Carter, yes; Gary Wilburn, yes; Randy Lenz, wanted to abstain as he was unfamiliar with the ordinance. Motion passes

Unfinished Business

1. Arts Festival – Heather left a message with Cindy for the council to consider postponing the festival for one year as the ferry was not going to run this year. After much discussion the consensus was to continue with the plan for a festival the first week of August. Over the next month the city will ask the community if anyone is interested in planning the event. The idea is to have it be small scale and structured like a bazaar with booths or tables for local artists with items for sale in conjunction with the farmers market.

2. Post Office Remodel – Elaine reported she had spoken with the Ketchikan Postmaster and they were fine with the remodel plan except for the parcel post boxes located under the main counter. The plan was revised to move the boxes to either beside the main counter or on the wall by the door.

New Business

1. Water/sewer service to Chum Creek – Elaine asked the council to consider moving the main sewer access from under the pavement in order to allow easier access for land owners in the subdivision to hook up in the future. Moving the main sewer would involve cutting approximately 4 feet of pavement that could be replaced while two different paving crews are in town this summer. The estimated cost of the relocation was \$2000.00. The city has a grant through Village Safe Water that could fund water/sewer in the future, but they only fund extensions where year round residents live based on a cost analysis. Elaine made a motion to move the sewer main out from under the pavement for the Chum Creek subdivision. Gary seconded it. Roll Call: Misty Fitzpatrick, yes; Sara Yockey, no; Elaine Price, yes; Marianna Carter, yes; Gary Wilburn, yes; Rand Lenz, abstained due to conflict of interest as he owns property in this subdivision. Motion passes.

2. Borough participants – After much discussion about the possibility of forming a borough rather than being annexed, the council asked Elaine to look into having someone come down and do a community meeting in order to inform and educate both the public and the council about the pros and cons for forming a borough. Elaine has been talking to POW communities about the idea of having an eastern POW borough that would encompass Coffman Cove, Thorne Bay, Kasaan and the two southern mines. If the other communities want to join they would be able to. The goal being it is more beneficial to be part of the formation and restrict the powers of the borough rather than having to live with rules others may implement.

3. Educational needs assessment- Misty reported that the City of Klawock received a grant in order to provide a technical school for both children and adults. In order to design the building they need to develop the curriculum. A questionnaire was sent to communities asking for feedback on local education needs. Misty, Gary and Elaine will work on getting this information back as quickly as possible as the grant is on an accelerated schedule.

Executive Session: Council entered executive session in order to interview three applicants at 8:05 pm. Returned to regular council meeting at 9:00 pm

4. Hire new Maintenance Person – Randy Lenz made a motion to hire Clint Covey as the regular maintenance person at a rate of \$18/hr for the first 30 days. After a satisfactory evaluation the rate of pay could be increased. Gary seconded. Roll Call: Misty Fitzpatrick, yes; Sara Yockey, yes; Elaine Price, yes; Marianna Carter, no; Gary Wilburn, yes; Randy Lenz, yes. Motion passes.

Randy Lenz made a motion to retain Bill Fitzpatrick as the back-up maintenance person at a rate of \$17/hr, Misty Fitzpatrick seconded. Roll Call: Misty Fitzpatrick, yes; Sara Yockey, yes; Elaine Price, yes; Marianna Carter, yes; Gary Wilburn, yes; Randy Lenz, yes. Motion passes

Public / Council Comment – Gary asked how did charging for PO Boxes get started? It was clarified that each resident is allowed a free PO box. If you have a business with a physical address you do not have to pay. Several people will need to receive refunds from the postal service as they were charged in error.

Adjourn: Gary made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 9:15 pm, Misty seconded. AIF

ATTEST:

Mayor/ Vice Mayor

Bridget Wright, City Clerk