

City of Coffman Cove
Regular Council Meeting Minutes
July 23rd, 2015
7:00PM at City Hall

Call to Order: Mayor Perry Olson called the meeting to order at 7:00PM

Roll Call: Sharon Toman, present. Bill Bateman, present. Bryce Brucker, present. Dick Stewart, present. Brian Wilson, present (7:10) Perry Olson, present. Randy Lenz, present.

Pledge of Allegiance: yes

Public Comment: none

Persons to be heard: none

Consent Agenda: Perry made the motion to accept the consent agenda. Randy seconded the motion. Jean noted that there was not an IFA report and Kent Miller from Rainforest Island Ferry did submit a report for Council. Motion passes by verbal call.

Resolutions& Ordinances: none

Unfinished Business:

- 1. Luck Lake Recreation Site Maintenance:** The Forest Service would like to partner with the City of Coffman Cove to take care of the operational type maintenance at Luck Lake. These tasks being removal of trash, cleaning of the outhouses, and weed whacking, if necessary. The Council considered the idea at the last meeting. The City proposed a per visit fee of \$300 to the Forest Service with the understanding that the Forest Service would require city staff to visit the site once a week between May and September. Misty presented the proposal to the Forest Service and they countered with \$300 per week fee but would include the Sea Side picnic area. The Forest Service is willing to pay the \$300 per week with the understanding we would only visit the sites once a week.
Katie Rooks, from the Forest Service added that the partnership agreement could be modified after a short time.
Randy asked if the "no-camping" signs could come down. She said they were working on it. She also added that the restrooms would be open after the contractors have completed the work at Luck Lake.
Council agreed that Misty will write up an agreement, Mayor Olson will sign it and we will try the partnership agreement for a year.
- 2. Memorandum of Understanding-Clinic:** We did not receive anything from AICS. We will postpone this until the next meeting.
- 3. FY14 Audit.** Misty went over the auditor's reports. Audits are available for viewing at the city office. We will not need an audit for FY15 and may not need one for FY16.

New Business:

- 1. Coffman Cove Timber Sale:** Misty gave a brief history of where we are on the Timber Sale. This sale would be partially inside city limits. The City of Coffman Cove has submitted public comments on the sale and Clarence Clark was present to talk to the council about the public comments. He would like clarification to where the watershed actually is. There was not a clear definition or a map of where the City of Coffman Cove defines their watershed. Also stated in the Ordinance was the commercial use of the roads within the watersheds which requires a permit from the City Council, but there was not a process or definition of how to get a permit from Council to use the road system or how long the permit is good for. As far as the South East State Forest Management Plan, the plan is reviewed by the department of law and there were questions. They would like to work with the city to re-word some of the Ordinance so it will not be in conflict with state law.

Perry stated that, as a Council member, he is opposed to them using the roads that go beyond our watershed to log. We need to protect our watershed. Perry would like to see Clarence provide Misty, and through Misty to Perry, everything that was discussed, and would like to see what their law department has determined, we would then move the topic to a workshop. Council agreed.

Brian suggested opening up the dialog with the Federal Government concerning the road system.

Council would like to see maps of the watershed and what we consider our watershed.

Brian suggested contacting the Forest Service for maps.
- 2. GCI Correspondence Regarding Wireless Phone Service:** Misty has been in contact with GCI for quite some time. She has been trying to get them to expand their service to Coffman Cove. The letter in the packet explained why Coffman Cove should support the “Alaska Plan”. She had requested an example letter of support from GCI to present to the Council, but did not receive the letter in time for this meeting. She recommended to the council that they read the letter and decide whether they support the “Alaska Plan” and let her know. She would like to get more information on the plan before sending a letter of support. She feels we should still work on the project of running fiber optics through the community.
- 3. Coffman Cove Chinook salmon – Change Size Restrictions:** Misty had a couple community members suggest to her the possibility of the City of Coffman Cove putting in a proposal to the Board of Fisheries to change the restrictions on king salmon caught within the Cove. Dick said that a local business has asked that he sell them fish to serve at their business. Brian suggested they have the proper permits with the DEC. It was suggested they contact Doug Rhodes as he knows what you have to go through to process and sell fish.

Dick and the volunteers will be in charge of the best way to execute the cost recovery plan with Misty overseeing to make sure we are covered under all legal requirements.

Perry asked Council if anyone was opposed to Misty working on size limits on fish caught within the Cove and the regulations. No one was opposed.

Public Comment:

Dick suggested the City do some maintenance on the fish cleaning stations.

A majority of Council requested a letter be written to the Coffman Cove Bunkhouse concerning the parking of boats on city land in front of the Bunkhouse.

Perry made the motion to adjourn at 8:18PM Randy Lenz seconded the motion. All were in favor.

Passed and approved this 20th day of August 2015.

Mayor, Perry Olson

Clerk, Jean Soderberg