

MINUTES OF THE CASHMERE CITY COUNCIL MEETING
MONDAY, NOVEMBER 26, 2012 AT CASHMERE CITY HALL

OPENING

Mayor Jeff Gomes opened the regular city council meeting at 7:00 p.m. at City Hall. Clerk-Treasurer Kay Jones took minutes.

ATTENDANCE

	<u>Present</u>	<u>Not Present</u>
Mayor:	Jeff Gomes	
Council:	Skip Moore Jim Fletcher Donna Wynne Derek Knutsen John Bryant	
Staff:	Bob Schmidt, Director Kay Jones, Clerk-Treasurer Mark Botello, Director of Planning/Building	

FLAG SALUTE

ANNOUNCEMENTS & INFORMATION

Mayor Gomes reported that the small city mayors met with Chelan County Prosecuting Attorney Doug Shae to discuss court sentencing and jail costs. They also discussed a combined contract for all public safety such as law enforcement, jail fees and prosecution. At the beginning of the year they will meet with the courts to discuss alternatives such as community service and home monitoring to cut the cost in jail fees.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

MOVED by Councilor Bryant and seconded by Councilor Wynne to approve the agenda as presented. Motion carried.

CONSENT AGENDA

Minutes of November 13, 2012 Regular Study Session Meeting
Minutes of November 13, 2012 Regular Council Meeting
Payroll and Claims Packet Dated November 26, 2012

Claim Check Nos. 32763, through 32787 and EFT 10/2012 totaling \$272,005.20

MOVED by Councilor Moore and seconded by Councilor Bryant to approve the consent agenda. Motion carried.

PUBLIC HEARING ON ZONING AND COMPREHENSIVE LAND USE MAP AMENDMENTS

Mayor Gomes opened the Public Hearing at 7:08 p.m. to take public comment on the proposed map amendments. Planning Director Mark Botello explained the map amendments from Multi-Family to Warehouse-Industrial. The applicant Ray Schmitt was present. No action was taken. Ordinances will be drafted and provided at the next meeting for council action.

With no public present the Public Hearing was closed at 7:16 p.m.

CITY OF CASHMERE/CASHMERE CHAMBER OF COMMERCE AGREEMENT – LODGING TAX FUNDS

The agreement designates the lodging tax funds to the Cashmere Chamber to be used for tourism promotion within the meaning of Chapter 67.28 RCW.

MOVED by Councilor Fletcher and seconded by Councilor Bryant to approve the City of Cashmere/Cashmere Chamber of Commerce Agreement for lodging tax funds. Motion carried.

RESOLUTION NO. 08-2012 INCREASING WASTEWATER RATES FOR 2013 – 2017

The proposed resolution increases the wastewater rates 6% annually through 2017 and includes the 4% increase in utility tax. Increasing the wastewater rates is one of the conditions of the USDA funding for the new wastewater treatment plant. The City was required to do a rate study to show that the rates meet the financial needs of the wastewater system.

MOVED by Councilor Wynne and seconded by Councilor Fletcher to adopt Resolution No. 08-2012 increasing wastewater rates for 2013 – 2017. Motion carried.

RESOLUTION NO. 11-2012 INCREASING WATER RATES FOR 2013 – 2017

The proposed resolution increases the water rates 2.5% annually through 2017 and includes the 4% increase in utility tax. The increase in water rates is a maintenance increase to keep up with the cost of inflation, which was recommended through the rate study.

MOVED by Councilor Moore and seconded by Councilor Bryant to adopt Resolution No. 11-2012 increasing water rates for 2013 – 2017. Motion carried.

RESOLUTION NO. 12-2012 INCREASING GARBAGE AND SOLID WASTE RATES

The proposed resolution increases the garbage and solid waste rates only due to the 4% increase in utility tax.

MOVED by Councilor Fletcher and seconded by Councilor Wynne to adopt Resolution No. 12-2012 increasing the garbage and solid waste rates. Motion carried.

ORDINANCE NO. 1206 AMENDING THE BUDGET FOR 2012

The majority of the amendments are due to paying off two revenue bonds and a loan with the USDA interim financing.

MOVED by Councilor Fletcher and seconded by Councilor Wynne to adopt Ordinance No. 1206 amending the budget for 2012. Motion carried.

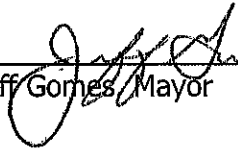
PROGRESS REPORTS

Director Schmidt reported that the well the City drilled at Riverside Park has been completed and tested and will be used to irrigate Riverside Park next year.

The Wastewater Treatment Plant project is going well and is on schedule. Director Schmidt stated we have a good contractor that is dedicated and conscientious.

ADJOURNMENT

Mayor Gomes adjourned the meeting at 7:30 p.m.



Jeff Gomes, Mayor

Attest:



Kay Jones, City Clerk-Treasurer