

## City of Cashmere

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CITY OF CASHMERE REGULAR STUDY SESSION MONDAY, FEBRUARY 11, 2013 6:00 P.M., CITY HALL

**AGENDA** 

**BUSINESS ITEM** 

Cancelled due to lack of agenda item.

TO ADDRESS THE COUNCIL, PLEASE BE RECOGNIZED BY THE MAYOR AND STATE YOUR NAME WHEN YOU BEGIN YOUR COMMENTS

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# CASHMERE CITY COUNCIL MEETING MONDAY, FEBRUARY 11, 2013 7:00 P.M., CITY HALL

#### **AGENDA**

**CALL TO ORDER** 

**FLAG SALUTE** 

**EXCUSE ABSENCE** 

#### ANNOUNCEMENTS & INFORMATION

• January Financial Report is on the website

PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD (For Items Not on the Agenda)

#### APPROVAL OF AGENDA

#### **CONSENT AGENDA**

- 1. Minutes of January 28, 2013 Regular Council Meeting
- 2. Payroll and Claims Packet Dated February 11, 2013

#### **BUSINESS ITEMS**

1. Employee Handbook

PROGRESS REPORTS

**ADJOURNMENT** 

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## MINUTES OF THE CASHMERE CITY COUNCIL MEETING MONDAY, JANUARY 28, 2013 AT CASHMERE CITY HALL

#### **OPENING**

Mayor Jeff Gomes opened the regular city council meeting at 7:05 p.m. at City Hall. Clerk-Treasurer Kay Jones took minutes.

#### **ATTENDANCE**

Present

Not Present

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

Chuck Zimmerman, City Attorney

#### FLAG SALUTE

#### ANNOUNCEMENTS & INFORMATION

Councilor Fletcher is the City's representative on the Link Board. He announced that he has been appointed as the Vice Chairman for 2013 and will be the Chairman in 2014. He reported on the proposed changes in the routes. Everything Link does is driven by ridership and federal law. Link is holding public meetings to receive comment and answer questions. The meeting for Cashmere is Tuesday, January 29<sup>th</sup> at City Hall from 4:00 to 7:00 p.m.

Mayor Gomes attended the Port District's meeting and reported that the Port is starting the cleanup project for the mill site property. The entire project is 2.5 million; they have 1.3 million for the first phase and will complete the project when they have the remaining funds.

The Mayor reported that J.C. Baldwin from the Port District spoke to him about partnering with Cashmere to find additional water rights for Cashmere. The Port needs additional water rights for the mill site property. Pete Fraley from Ogden Murphy Wallace specializes in water rights and is the Port's attorney. The Port is willing to pay for Pete Fraley to assist the Port and the City in finding additional water rights.

Director of Operations Bob Schmidt reported that he attended the annual Washington Cities Insurance Authority (WCIA) Board Meeting. He came away from the annual meeting feeling confident that we are in the right insurance pool.

Erik Howe from RH2 Engineering announced that he submitted the Sunset Highway Project for an award through the American Council of Engineering Companies of Washington. The City of Cashmere and RH2 Engineering received the 2013 Bronze Award for the Sunset Highway Reconstruction Project, due to the partnering and funding sources.

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#### APPROVAL OF AGENDA

MOVED by Councilor Bryant and seconded by Councilor Moore to approve the agenda with the addition of item #4 Options for providing public safety. Motion carried.

#### **CONSENT AGENDA**

Minutes of January 14, 2013 Joint Planning and Council Meeting Minutes of January 14, 2013 Regular Council Meeting Payroll and Claims Packet Dated December 31, 2012 Year End Payroll and Claims Packet Dated January 28, 2013

Claim Check Nos. EFT 1/2012 and 32842 through 32872 totaling \$444,914.02 Claim Check Nos. 32917 through 32958 totaling \$438,495.24 Payroll Check Nos. 32873 through 32916 totaling \$122,827.65

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

#### PUBLIC HEARING ON CASHMERE'S UPDATED SHORELINE MASTER PROGRAM

Mayor Gomes opened the public hearing at 7:20 p.m. to receive comment on the amendments to the Shoreline Master Program (SMP). Director of Planning Mark Botello gave a brief summary of the amendments and the process the City has gone through. After the adoption of the Resolution declaring the Council's approval and intention to adopt the amendments to the SMP the documents will be forwarded to the Department of Ecology for final approval.

With no comments from the public the hearing was closed at 7:23 p.m.

## RESOLUTION NO. 01-2013 DECLARING COUNCIL'S APPROVAL AND INTENTION TO ADOPT THE AMENDMENTS TO THE SHORELINE MASTER PROGRAM DATED JULY 17, 2012

MOVED by Councilor Fletcher and seconded by Councilor Knutsen to adopt Resolution No. 01-2013 Declaring Council's approval and intention to adopt the amendments to the Shoreline Master Program. Motion carried.

#### WENATCHEE WATERSHED WORKGROUP INTERLOCAL AGREEMENT

The City of Cashmere, City of Leavenworth, Alpine Water District, Peshastin Water District and Chelan County are working together to access water in the in-stream flow reserve. The parties believe that a united effort as contemplated by this agreement will ultimately secure greater net benefits for each member's constituents. The purpose of the collaboration among permit applicants is to yield a more timely and equitable distribution of water resource authority.

MOVED by Councilor Moore and seconded by Councilor Fletcher to approve the Wenatchee Watershed Workgroup Interlocal Agreement. Motion carried.

Since the Council was on the topic of water rights and Mayor Gomes announced that the Port wants to partner with the City in finding additional water rights, City Attorney Chuck Zimmerman asked the City Council for a motion regarding a Waiver of Conflict Letter. Since Pete Fraley is the Port's attorney and Chuck Zimmerman is the City's attorney and both are with Ogden Murphy Wallace the City and Port will have to consent to waiving conflict in order to partner with the Port and use these attorneys.

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MOVED by Councilor Fletcher and seconded by Councilor Bryant to approve the Waiver of Conflict Letter to allow Ogden Murphy Wallace to serve as legal counsel for the City and Port District in the partnership to find additional water rights for Cashmere. Motion carried.

#### OPTIONS FOR PROVIDING PUBLIC SAFETY

Councilor Bryant stated that the City cannot continue to pay the rising costs of providing public safety. In addition to the Law Enforcement contract the jail fees are out of control and something needs to change. The city owes it to the constituents to take a look at public safety options.

MOVED by Councilor Bryant and seconded by Councilor Moore to authorize David Sherman to provide the council with options for public safety. Motion carried.

#### PROGRESS REPORTS

Director Schmidt provided a printed update on the progress of the WWTP project. Despite the cold weather good progress is being made.

Director Botello reported that he has added Cashmere's maps to the website. The upcoming capital projects are also on the website.

#### **ADJOURNMENT**

Mayor Gomes adjourned the meeting at 7:54 p.m.

	Jeff Gomes, Mayor	
Attest:		
Kay Jones, City Clerk-Treasurer		

# CITY OF CASHMERE MINUTES OF SPECIAL STUDY SESSION MONDAY, JANUARY 28, 2013 AT CASHMERE CITY HALL

#### **OPENING**

Mayor Gomes opened the study session at 6:00 p.m. at City Hall. Clerk-Treasurer Kay Jones took minutes.

**ATTENDANCE** 

Present

Not Present

Mayor:

Jeff Gomes

Council:

Skip Moore Jim Fletcher Donna Wynne Derek Knutsen John Bryant

Staff:

Bob Schmidt, Dir. of Operations

Kay Jones, Clerk-Treasurer

Mark Botello, Dir. of Planning/Bldg Chuck Zimmerman, City Attorney

#### OPTIONS FOR PUBLIC SAFETY

David Sherman resides in Cashmere; he is a fireman for the Snohomish County Fire Department, which is huge with contract cities, and is one of the largest in the state. He also serves as a Cashmere Volunteer Fireman. Mr. Sherman has 10 years experience with law enforcement; 6 years with the State Patrol, and the remainder with Homeland Security and the City of Bremerton.

When the City Council started the discussion about the rising costs of public safety and partnered with the City of Leavenworth to do a study, David Sherman approached Mayor Gomes and volunteered his time to look into the city's current Law Enforcement Contract. According to the Contract the Mayor can assign a designee to work with the County Sheriff. Mayor Gomes appointed David Sherman as his designee.

Mr. Sherman has been meeting with Sheriff Burnett once a month; he has also been talking with other law enforcement agencies, including the State Patrol. Mr. Sherman believes there has to be an option somewhere between the high costs of the contract we have now versus no contract. We can't continue to pay for the contract we currently have and Sheriff Burnett won't let the City cut services to lower the cost. The level of service Sheriff Burnett is willing to provide is equivalent to three full-time commissioned officers, no less, and the cost per officer continues to rise each year. The City can't keep up. If you can't afford it you have to make a change.

David Sherman asked the Council's permission to move to the next step and as a volunteer present the council with options to providing law enforcement in Cashmere. His vision is something like a "Mayberry'. Sherman stated that you will never hear him say the change will be better than what we have now. It will be different. We will have local control and we will be able to afford it. We will have more control of jail costs.

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Kay Jones, Clerk-Treasurer

His vision of "Mayberry" includes a Chief of Police and utilizing mutual aid from the County Sheriff and the State Patrol. If you call the State Patrol they have to respond when asked. His vision includes the use of contract officers to eliminate paying medical and retirement benefits. He also recommends utilizing reserve officers whenever possible. With the right Chief of Police the "Mayberry" vision is a viable possibility.

ADJOURNMENT Mayor Gomes closed the study session at 7:00 p.m.
Jeff Gomes, Mayor
Attest: