MINUTES OF THE CASHMERE CITY COUNCIL MEETING MONDAY, JULY 8, 2013 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

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, Dir of Planning/Building Chuck Zimmerman, City Attorney

FLAG SALUTE

EXCUSED ABSENCES

ANNOUNCEMENTS & INFORMATION

Mayor Gomes reported that he received a call from Mr. Morgan with the Entiat Hot Shots. Mr. Morgan wanted to let the mayor know how happy they were with the service they received for their fundraiser at Riverside Center. John Bryant did everything that he possibly could to make things work for them. They raised over \$10,000 for the families of the firefighters that died.

Director Botello will be issuing a building permit for a new house at 106 Mission View. Also, he will be submitting a federal grant application for improvements to Aplets Way.

Mayor Gomes referred to the complaint letter the council received through email from Mike Redline regarding the pool. The Mayor discussed the letter with staff and Attorney Chuck Zimmerman. Mr. Redline has received a refund for the two pool passes, so as far as the Mayor is concerned the issue has been dealt with and nothing further needs to be done.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Jill LaRue resides at 107 Fasken Drive and says her neighborhood is no longer quiet because of the industrial fans at Crunch Pak. The new industrial fans were put in last spring. She brought the issue to Crunch Pak's attention and they said they would evaluate it. The fans run 24/7 and she can hear them in her front yard and her back yard. She can't even open her windows because of the noise, which keeps her awake at night. She thinks this noise is almost worse than the train because the fan noise is a constant droning. She is bringing it to the attention of the City because she wants the City to work with Crunch Pak to address the issue.

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She understands that industrial business is exempt from the noise ordinance, but she suggested that the City take a closer look at noise issues before issuing permits for expanding or building in the industrial zone.

Vicky Cibicki resides at 301 Fir Crest Drive just east of Crunch Pak and she is also disrupted by the noise and doesn't open her windows due to the constant high frequency noise from the fans.

Alina Cibicki resides at 301 Fir Crest Drive but she is speaking on the noise at the Gillikin's house which is 2 doors down from Best Bite on Division where she house sits a couple of times a week. She can't open the windows because the noise is so loud. The trucks coming and going from the loading dock wake her up at night. The noise is worse since Crunch Pak put in the new fans and built the new loading dock.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

MOVED by Councilor Wynn and seconded by Councilor Fletcher to approve the agenda with the addition of the law enforcement contract as item number one and noise at Crunch Pak as item number two. Motion carried.

CONSENT AGENDA

Minutes of June 24, 2013 Regular Council Meeting Payroll and Claims Packet Dated July 8, 2013

Claim Check Nos. 33418 and 33421 through 33464 totaling \$52,019.32

Payroll Checks Nos. 33391 through 33417 totaling \$98,082.92

Manual Checks Nos. 33419, 33420 & 33465

Schedule a Public Hearing on Monday, July 22, 2013 at 7:00 pm for the Six-Year Transportation Improvement Program

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

LAW ENFORCEMENT CONTRACT

MOVED by Councilor Bryant and seconded by Councilor Moore to authorize the Mayor and staff to move forward in the negotiations with the Sheriff and the County for the purposes of putting in writing a contract for law enforcement services in the amount of \$383,100 for the year 2014 and a lease for rent of space at City Hall in the amount of \$30,000, payable by the County to the city for the year 2014. Both the law enforcement services agreement and the lease would be for a period of four years and continuation would be contingent on continuation of both agreements until terminated. Motion carried.

NOISE AT CRUNCH PAK

Councilor Fletcher stated that this is not a regulatory issue, but he would like to see the City advocating on behalf of the neighborhoods, encouraging Crunch Pak to address this issue and work with them to find a solution to break up the sound or deflect the noise upward.

PUBLIC HEARING ON CHIPMAN ANNEXATION

Director Mark Botello explained that this is a public hearing to receive public input on Ann

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Chipman's annexation in the West Cashmere area. The annexation boundary is just her property and a portion of Sunset Highway. Certification from the Assessor has been received and the posting requirements have been met. No action required at this meeting.

Mayor Gomes opened the public hearing at 7:18 p.m. to take public comment on the Chipman annexation.

Stephen Kidd residing at 5633 Evergreen Drive spoke in opposition to the annexation even though he doesn't live in the affected area. He sees how the City gets an area surrounded and then you're stuck, you're in it. He doesn't want to see that happen. He's perfectly happy with the county services.

Steve Bagwell residing at 5963 Larson Street spoke in opposition to the annexation. He is against any annexation in his direction. He doesn't want to be in the City and doesn't want the City rules. He bought property in the county and wants to stay in the county.

Chuck Slowe residing at 5802 Ruby Street spoke in opposition to the annexation. Mr. Slowe is concerned with the possibility of being forced to annex in the future. Annexing the Chipman property creates an island. It would be easy for the City to require the property owners in the island to annex in the future. The City is moving further and further out. He doesn't care if the City expands to the north, south or east, just not to the west. He doesn't want to live in the City. He is happy with the County taxes and services. He's also happy with the City subsidizing the County Sheriff's department.

Public Hearing was closed at 7:26 p.m.

Director Botello confirmed that as far as he was aware the City has never adversely annexed property. Ann Chipman requested that her property be annexed into the City. Nothing changes for the surrounding properties. However, there are no guarantees what a future council may or may not do regarding the island that will be created from annexing the Chipman property.

CHANGE ORDER NO. 1 AND NO. 2 FOR THE WASTEWATER TREATMENT PLANT PROJECT Change Order No. 1 was authorized in November 2012. Some of the areas of soil beneath the aeration basin were found to be sub-standard. The cost for excavation, geotextile fabric and crushed rock was \$1,651 plus tax. This amount is less than \$15,000 so it comes out of the \$200,000 minor change category in the original bid, which does not change the original contract price so it doesn't have to be approved by council.

The second part of Change Order No. 1 does need council approval since it increases the original contract number of substantial completion days by 2 days. Substantial completion days change from 790 to 792.

Change Order No. 2 changes the configuration of the fencing at the plant and provides two automated cantilever gates. The change order increases the original contract amount \$37,774 plus sales tax. The change order will be included in the USDA funding.
MOVED by Councilor Fletcher and seconded by Councilor Wynne to approve both Change Order

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No 1 and Change Order No. 2. Motion carried.

PROGRESS REPORTS

Mayor Gomes reported that all of the paving on Pioneer Avenue will be completed by tomorrow.

Director Schmidt reported that the concrete work at the plant is almost done.

ADJOURNMENT

Mayor Gomes adjourned the meeting at 7:55 p.m.

Jeff Gornes, Mayor

Attest:

Kay Jones, Clerk-Treasurer