# MINUTES OF THE CASHMERE CITY COUNCIL MEETING MONDAY, AUGUST 11, 2014 AT CASHMERE CITY HALL

#### **OPENING**

Mayor Jeff Gomes opened the regular city council meeting 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 Dave Erickson

Bob Abramoski

David Sherman

Staff:

Bob Schmidt, Director of Operations

Kay Jones, Clerk-Treasurer

Mark Botello, Director of Planning/Building

Chuck Zimmerman, City Attorney

#### **FLAG SALUTE**

#### **EXCUSED ABSENCES**

MOVED by Councilor Fletcher and seconded by Councilor Moore to excuse the absence of Councilor Bob Abramoski. Motion carried.

#### **ANNOUNCEMENTS & INFORMATION**

Councilor Sherman stated that the ceremony for the transfer of ownership of the 9-11 Memorial went well on August 7. The 2015 ceremony for the 9-11 Memorial will be similar, but much larger.

Director Botello informed the council that RH2 Engineering and Fitzpatrick surveying are donating their time on the placement of the memorial.

Attorney Chuck Zimmerman stated that the council could ratify the 9-11 memorial transfer of ownership agreement at this time since it's on tonight's agenda.

MOVED by Councilor Erickson and seconded by Councilor Moore to ratify the 9-11 Memorial Agreement for transfer of ownership. Motion carried.

Director Botello reported that August 7 was the kick off meeting for the Cashmere Area Transportation Study.

Botello informed the council that he would be in Olympia on Wednesday to make a presentation on the Riverside Park project for the grant. Councilor Dave Erickson will be there to support Cashmere's project presentation.

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Botello also reported that he issued nine building permits to the Washington Growers League Farm Worker Housing project and the project has broken ground.

Councilor Erickson reported that he, Councilor Moore, Mayor Gomes and Clerk-Treasurer Jones attended the Audit Entrance meeting that morning.

#### **PUBLIC COMMENT**

Blake Baldwin, Legislative Assistant to Representative Brad Hawkins was present to introduce himself to the Mayor and City Council.

#### APPROVAL OF AGENDA

MOVED by Councilor Fletcher and seconded by Councilor Sherman to approve the agenda with the removal of item #5. Motion carried.

#### **CONSENT AGENDA**

Minutes of July 28, 2014 Regular Council Meeting Payroll and Claims Packet Dated August 11, 2014

Claim Check Nos. 34705 and 34729 and 34731 through 34780 totaling \$538,380.12 Payroll Check Nos. 34706 through 34728 totaling \$120,542.47 Manual Check Nos. 34702 and 34704 and 34730

MOVED by Councilor Moore and seconded by Councilor Erickson to approve the items on the consent agenda. Motion carried.

## <u>CARIN SMITH, CHAIR OF FRIENDS IMPROVING DOG OPPORTUNITIES (FIDO) – OFF-LEASH DOG PARK</u>

Carin Smith gave a presentation on off-leash dog parks. The mission of the Wenatchee FIDO organization is to encourage and facilitate the establishment of dog parks in order to provide safe, secure, and well maintained public off-leash recreation areas.

Ms. Smith encouraged the council to consider an off-leash dog park in their comprehensive park plan update.

### ACCEPTANCE OF THE RIVERSIDE PARK IRRIGATION PROJECT WITH VITA GREEN

MOVED by Councilor Fletcher and seconded by Councilor Moore to approve the Riverside Park Irrigation project completed by Vita Green. Motion carried.

## SELECTION OF A&W PAVING FOR THE RIVER STREET CHIP SEAL PROJECT AND COTTAGE AVE CRACK SEAL PROJECT

MOVED by Councilor Moore and seconded by Councilor Erickson to select A&W Paving for the River Street Chip Seal project and the Cottage Avenue Crack Seal project. Motion carried.

## SELECTION OF SELLAND CONSTRUCTION FOR THE RAILROAD AVENUE IMPROVEMENT PROJECT

MOVED by Councilor Erickson and seconded by Councilor Sherman to select Selland Construction for the Railroad Avenue Improvement project and authorize the Mayor to sign the contract. Motion carried.

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#### PROGRESS REPORTS

Director Sherman reported that he had his meeting with Sheriff Burnett and everything is going well. The Sheriff informed Sherman that he would like to discuss parking at city hall for his department.

Director Bob Schmidt reported that they are on schedule at the Wastewater Treatment Plant to receive 50,000 gallons of active sludge on Wednesday.

## EXECUTIVE SESSION-To discuss potential litigation.

At 6:45 p.m. Mayor Gomes closed the regular session to enter into an executive session to for approximately 20 minutes to discuss potential litigation. No action will be taken when back in regular session.

### **ADJOURNMENT**

Mayor Gomes adjourned the meeting at 7:05 p.m.

Jeff Gomes, Mayor

Attest:

Kay Jones, Clerk-Treasurer