

**MINUTES OF THE CASHMERE CITY COUNCIL MEETING
MONDAY, JULY 28, 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

	<u>Present</u>	<u>Not Present</u>
Mayor:	Jeff Gomes	
Council:	Jim Fletcher Dave Erickson Vacant Position David Sherman	Skip Moore
Staff:	Bob Schmidt, Director of Operations Kay Jones, Clerk-Treasurer Mark Botello, Director of Planning/Building	

FLAG SALUTE

EXCUSED ABSENCES

MOVED by Councilor Fletcher and seconded by Councilor Erickson to excuse the absence of Councilor Skip Moore. Motion carried.

ANNOUNCEMENTS & INFORMATION

Councilor Sherman reported that the 9-11 Memorial transfer is on track for August 7th. The Patriot Guard will be escorting the Memorial from Hunter, WA to Cashmere, which is 170 miles. The estimated arrival time is 12:00 p.m. There will be a Memorial procession through town, from Vale School to the Museum. The Patriot Guard, Law Enforcement and Fire personnel will be leading the procession. The transfer of ownership will take place at the Museum.

Also, the 9-11 website is up...check it out.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

MOVED by Councilor Erickson and seconded by Councilor Fletcher to approve the agenda as submitted. Motion carried.

CONSENT AGENDA

Minutes of July 14, 2014 Regular Council Meeting
Payroll and Claims Packet Dated July 28, 2014

Claim Check Nos. EFT 06/2014 and 34670 through 34701 totaling \$594,784.26

Manual Check Nos. 34665 through 34669

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

PUD STRATEGIC PLAN PRESENTATION

Kelly Boyd from Chelan County PUD gave a presentation on Chelan County PUD's strategic planning. The state of the utility is very strong. The goal for the strategic planning is "The best for the most for the longest."

RESOLUTION NO. 9-2014 ADOPTING SIX-YEAR TRANSPORTATION PROGRAM 2015-2020

MOVED by Councilor Fletcher and seconded by Councilor Erickson to approve Resolution No. 9-2014 adopting Six-Year Transportation Program 2015-2020. Motion carried.

ACCEPTANCE OF RIVERSIDE PARK ROAD PROJECT

The Riverside Road project is complete. Staff's recommendation is to accept the project, which will authorize payment less the 5% retainage.

MOVED by Councilor Fletcher and seconded by Councilor Erickson to accept the Riverside Park Road Project. Motion carried.

WASHINGTON STATE 9-11 MEMORIAL TRANSFER OF OWNERSHIP AGREEMENT

The consensus of the Council was to amend Section 3 to state that the July 8, 2014 proposal is attached as Exhibit A.

MOVED by Councilor Sherman and seconded by Councilor Erickson to approve the Washington State 9-11 Memorial Transfer of Ownership Agreement as amended. Motion carried.

APPOINTMENT OF NEW COUNCIL MEMBER

The City received two letters of interest for the vacant council position. Both Robert Abramowski and Dave Hobbs are interested in serving on the City Council. Both candidates spoke and answered a few questions.

At 7:22 p.m. Mayor Gomes closed the regular meeting to enter into an executive session for approximately 10 minutes to discuss the candidates.

Mayor Gomes reconvened the regular session at 7:35 p.m.

MOVED by Councilor Erickson and seconded by Councilor Fletcher to appoint Robert Abramowski to fill the vacant council position. Motion carried.

Dave Hobbs was encouraged to apply for a position on the Parks Committee.

PROGRESS REPORTS

Director Botello reported that they have started laying asphalt on the Mission Street project. Bid opening is on Thursday for the Railroad project and on Friday for the Chip Seal project on Cottage Avenue and the bridge.

Councilor Erickson reported that the Riverside Center Lease committee has met a couple of times and new lease has been drafted. The next step will be to meet with John Bryant to receive his input.

Mayor Gomes has reviewed the AWC Salary Survey. He stated that both the Mayor and Council

Members compensation is on the low end compared to other cities our size. The council needs to consider increasing both if they want to retain good candidates.

Councilor Fletcher stated that compensation should be considered at budget time.

Robert Abramowski will be sworn in at the next council meeting.

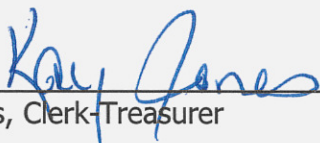
ADJOURNMENT

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



Jeff Gomes, Mayor

Attest:



Kay Jones, Clerk-Treasurer