

**MINUTES OF THE CASHMERE CITY COUNCIL MEETING
MONDAY, JANUARY 26, 2015 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:	Skip Moore Jim Fletcher Dave Erickson Bob Abramowski David Sherman	
Staff:	Bob Schmidt, Director of Operations Kay Jones, Clerk-Treasurer Mark Botello, Planning/Building Chuck Zimmerman, City Attorney	

FLAG SALUTE

ANNOUNCEMENTS & INFORMATION

Mayor Gomes announced that RH2 Engineering was awarded the American Council of Engineering Companies Silver Award for social, economic and sustainable design considerations for the Cashmere Wastewater Treatment Facility Upgrade. The competition was statewide.

The Mayor announced that on February 6th he will be attending the Flood Control Zone meeting to discuss the interim operating guidelines. Also, this coming Thursday he will be meeting with the Secretary of Transportation to discuss the Goodwin Bridge.

Mayor Gomes stated that Senate Bill 5491 has been drafted and will hopefully solve the issues regarding the Water Work Group.

Director Botello stated there is a position open on the Planning Commission. He has received an application from Wendy Riddle.

Botello stated that he and the Mayor will be meeting with DOT to discuss the procedures to obtain rights-of-way for the Aplets Way project.

Botello reported that City Attorney Chuck Zimmerman made amendments to the Port's Reimbursement Agreement and now the Port is reviewing those amendments.

PUBLIC COMMENT

No public present.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

MOVED by Councilor Fletcher and seconded by Councilor Sherman to approve the agenda as presented. Motion carried.

CONSENT AGENDA

Minutes of January 12, 2015 Regular Council Meeting
Payroll and Claims Packet Dated December 2014 – Year End
Claim Check Nos. EFT 12/2014 and 35300 - 35309 totaling \$270,511.37
Payroll and Claims Packet Dated January 26, 2015
Claim Check Nos. 35310 - 35357 totaling \$157,822.60

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

SELECTION OF FITZPATRICK SURVEYING FOR GENERAL MUNICIPAL SURVEYING SERVICES

The City published a request for municipal engineering & surveying services for 2015. Fitzpatrick Surveying, Inc is the only surveying firm that submitted a statement of qualifications.

MOVED by Councilor Fletcher and seconded by Councilor Erickson to select Fitzpatrick Surveying, Inc for general municipal surveying services for 2015. Motion carried.

SELECTION OF RH2 ENGINEERING, INC. FOR GENERAL MUNICIPAL ENGINEERING SERVICES

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MOVED by Councilor Fletcher and seconded by Councilor Sherman to select RH2 Engineering, Inc for general municipal engineering services for 2015. Motion carried.

INCREASE IN EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT SERVICES

Mayor Gomes reported to the Council that he and the mayors from the Cities of Chelan, Entiat and Leavenworth met with Sheriff Burnett to discuss the increase in the Emergency Management Plan.

The four cities have paid a per capita rate of \$2.25 in 2013 and 2014. The proposed increase for 2015 is \$2.72 per capita. The annual cost for the City of Cashmere would be \$8,187.20, which is an annual increase of \$1,414.70.

Sheriff Burnet explained to the mayors that the Emergency Management budget has not increased, but the Homeland Security and State Emergency Management grants have been cut in half.

The council discussed the benefits received from contracting with Chelan County for emergency management services.

PUBLIC FORUM DISCUSSION

Mayor Gomes and the Council discussed the setup for the forum, timeline for the presentations and appointed council and staff members to four tables.

PROGRESS REPORTS

Councilor Fletcher suggested that the city make an effort to inform or remind the citizens that they are responsible for shoveling the snow off the sidewalks in front of their property.

ADJOURNMENT

Mayor Gomes adjourned the meeting at 6:52 p.m.



Jeff Gomes, Mayor

Attest:



Kay Jones, Clerk-Treasurer