

MINUTES OF THE CASHMERE CITY COUNCIL MEETING
MONDAY, AUGUST 24, 2015 AT CASHMERE CITY HALL

OPENING

Mayor 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	
Skip Moore	Jim Fletcher Dave Erickson Bob Abramoski David Sherman Skip Moore	
Staff:	Kay Jones, Clerk-Treasurer Mark Botello, Planning/Building Chuck Zimmerman, City Attorney	

FLAG SALUTE

ANNOUNCEMENTS & INFORMATION

Corporal Mike Langford with Chelan County Sheriff's Office was present to touch base and see if the council had any questions or concerns. There were no questions or concerns from the City Council.

PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD

Cashmere Chamber Manager Dawn Collings received a phone call from a woman that lost her home during the fires. She called the Chamber to acknowledge and thank someone for Cashmere's generosity. The woman was living out of her car and she received help from several places and people in the Cashmere community. The Fairgrounds helped with her horses, people invited her into their home in the evening to visit and watch television and others brought her meals and coffee every morning. She was so grateful to the Cashmere Community and wanted to tell someone. Dawn Collings wanted to share the gratitude with the Mayor and City Council.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Mayor Gomes amended the agenda with the addition of an Executive Session to discuss potential litigation.

Moved by Councilor Fletcher and seconded by Councilor Erickson to approve the agenda as amended with the addition of an executive session. Motion carried

CONSENT AGENDA

Minutes of August 10, 2015 Regular City Council Meeting
Payroll and Claims Packet Dated August 24, 2015

Claim Check Nos. EFT 07/2015 and #35996 through 36030 totaling \$259,965.14
Manual Checks 35994 through 35995

Moved by Councilor Erickson and seconded by Councilor Sherman to approve the consent agenda. Motion carried

ACCEPTANCE OF PHASE 2 OF THE WASTEWATER TREATMENT FACILITY PROJECT

Harbor Pacific Contractors completed all work on Phase 2 of the Cashmere Wastewater Treatment Facility project in accordance with the plans and specifications. Phase 2 construction project total is \$899,466.60 and Physical Completion was attained on July 12, 2015.

The completion date for the contract, which includes both Phase 1 and Phase 2 has been established as August 24, 2015.

Moved by Councilor Fletcher and seconded by Councilor Abramoski to accept Phase 2 of the Wastewater Treatment Facility project. Motion carried

INTERLOCAL AGREEMENT FOR THE HOUSING OF INMATES IN THE CHELAN COUNTY REGIONAL JUSTICE CENTER

The contract with the Chelan County Regional Justice Center is calculated on a 3 year average. The 3 year average for 2012, 2013 and 2014 is \$46,046.50, making the monthly rate for 2016 \$3,837.21, which is a reduction from 2015 rates.

Moved by Councilor Fletcher and seconded by Councilor Sherman to approve the Amendment to Compensation in the Agreement with the Chelan County Regional Justice Center for Housing Inmates. Motion carried

DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION ON CITY PROVIDED GARBAGE SERVICE – COMPARE CITY RATES TO WASTE MANAGEMENT RATES

City staff has been receiving comments and complaints on City provided garbage service and rates. Staff compared City rates to those of Waste Management and made a recommendation to Council to Request a Proposal (RFP) for Solid Waste Services.

Business owners and Chamber members present to speak in favor of looking at lower rates include; Phil Blackburn from Martins Market Place, Tom Dew with Country Boys, Teri Weedman from Weeds Café and Riverside Center, Greg Taylor from Liberty Orchards and Chamber Manager Dawn Collings.

Moved by Councilor Fletcher and seconded by Councilor Moore to authorize Mayor and staff to put together an RFP for Solid Waste Services. Motion carried

PROGRESS REPORTS

Mayor Gomes gave a construction update on the 9/11 Memorial project. The Veterans Memorial and the 9/11 Memorial have been placed, the railings, trellises, and lighting have been installed. The Memorial sign on the highway has been installed and the Memorial signs for the City will be installed as soon as they arrive. Commemorative coins have been created and are going to be sold to pay for ongoing maintenance.

Director Mark Botello reported that the Aplets Way project has started.

Also, the Clark Subdivision has broken ground and the City has received an application for a 6 lot subdivision on Valley Street.

The dirt for the pump track at Riverside Park should arrive next week. Also, the pool consultant the City hired has recommended that the plaster be polished not replaced. City staff will be doing a dye test after the pool closes to verify whether there is a leak.

EXECUTIVE SESSION – To Discuss Potential Litigation

At 7:00 p.m. Mayor Gomes closed the regular session to enter into an executive session to discuss possible litigation for approximately 15 minutes. No action will be taken nor will any further business be transacted when back in regular session.

Back in regular session at 7:14 p.m.


ADJOURNMENT

Mayor Gomes adjourned the meeting at 7:15 p.m.

Attest:



Kay Jones, Clerk-Treasurer



Jeff Gomes, Mayor