

MINUTES OF THE CASHMERE CITY COUNCIL MEETING  
MONDAY, NOVEMBER 9, 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	
Staff:	Kay Jones, Clerk-Treasurer Mark Botello, Dir. of Planning/Building	Chuck Zimmerman, City Attorney

FLAG SALUTE

PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD

Dan Kenoyer from Blue Star Growers spoke to council regarding water rights they turned over to the City twenty years ago. The Agreement between the City and Blue Star was a twenty year agreement that froze the water rates for Blue Star in exchange for water rights. The twenty year agreement ended 12/31/14. Dan Kenoyer from Blue Star stated that the spirit of the agreement was that the agreement would continue even after the twenty years. He stated that the only reason it was a twenty year agreement was that legal counsel at the time said that a city council could not bind future city councils more than twenty years.

In 2012 Blue Star was given notice that the agreement was going to end December 2014. At that time Jerry Kenoyer wrote a letter to council requesting the agreement be extended. The City Council unanimously agreed that they could not justify paying for the water rights twice.

Mayor Gomes stated that the City would gather information and the item would be on the next council agenda for discussion.

ANNOUNCEMENTS & INFORMATION

No announcements.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

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

CONSENT AGENDA

Minutes of October 26, 2015 Regular City Council Meeting

Payroll and Claims Packet Dated November 9, 2015

Claim Check Nos. #36237 through #36281 totaling \$128,676.64

Payroll Check Nos. #36232 through #36234 totaling \$103,433.28

Manual Check #36235 and voided check #36236

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

PUBLIC HEARING ON PRELIMINARY BUDGET

Mayor Gomes opened the public hearing at 6:27 p.m. Mayor Gomes discussed the list of capital projects. Clerk-Treasurer Kay Jones stated that the budget meets council policy, which is that current year revenues must meet operating expenditures.

Adam Scott residing at 2 Big Rock Place asked that the city put up shade canopies at the city pool. The only shade is in the grass area, which is always full.

With no further public comment Mayor Gomes closed the public hearing at 6:31 p.m.

ANIMAL CONTROL CONTRACT FOR 2016 THROUGH 2018

MOVED by Councilor Sherman and seconded by Councilor Erickson to approve the contract for animal control services and authorize the mayor to sign. Motion carried

PROGRESS REPORTS

Councilor Sherman reported that there have been a lot of 911 calls regarding shots fired, when actually its kids throwing bottle bombs out car windows. In order for the deputies to investigate or have teeth to do anything there needs to be a city ordinance prohibiting the bottle bombs.

Director Mark Botello reported on the progress of the Aplets Way project and that he has issued two new building permits.

ADJOURNMENT

Mayor Gomes adjourned the meeting at 6:59 p.m.

Attest:

  
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Kay Jones, Clerk-Treasurer

  
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Jeff Gomes, Mayor