

MINUTES OF THE CASHMERE CITY COUNCIL MEETING  
MONDAY, JANUARY 11, 2016 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 Kameon Smith Derrick Pratt	
Staff:	Kay Jones, Clerk-Treasurer Mark Botello, Dir. of Planning/Building Chuck Zimmerman, City Attorney	

FLAG SALUTE

PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD

Jim Noble requested that a city representative meet with the residents on Rank road to inform them of the street improvements before the construction begins.

Dave Sherman wanted to let council and the new council members know that per the mayor he will continue as the Law Enforcement representative for Cashmere.

ANNOUNCEMENTS & INFORMATION

Mayor Gomes reminded the council members to file their Elected Official's Public Disclosure information, which has to be submitted annually.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Mayor Gomes announced that he was moving item #3 Collective Bargaining Agreement to the end of the business items.

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

CONSENT AGENDA

Minutes of December 14, 2015 Regular City Council Meeting

Payroll and Claims Packet Dated December 28, 2015

Claim Check Nos. #36369 through #36366 totaling \$261,503.20

Payroll Check Nos. 36393 through #36432 totaling \$141,507.66

Payroll and Claims Packet Dated December 31, 2015

Claim Check Nos. EFT 12/2015 and #36435 through #36470 totaling \$67,320.57

Manual Check Nos. #36368, #36392, #36433, and #36434

Set a joint Cashmere City Council and Planning Commission meeting February 8, 2016 at 6:00 pm

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

#### KENT SISSON WITH CHELAN COUNTY EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT

Kent Sisson from Chelan County Emergency Management informed the council that they are working with the legislators on funding for a Regional Emergency Operations Center. The first funding request is for \$420,000 to get utilities to the property. The proposed Regional EOC would be constructed within the existing footprint of two county owned buildings located at the Chelan County Public Works facility on Easy Street. Next year the county will request additional funds for the construction phase. The total project is estimated at \$1.8 million. Having a regional Emergency Response Center would support a multi agency response to any all-hazard emergency within Chelan County or other areas of North Central Washington. The County asked for a letter of support to be sent to Senator Parlette and Representatives Cary Condotta and Brad Hawkins.

#### RESULTS FROM RFP FOR SOLID WASTE SERVICES

The City advertised a request for proposal for solid waste services. The City received proposals from Waste Management and Sunrise Disposal. The council was given a rate sheet comparing the two outside rates to the city's current rates for disposal services. Overall Sunrise Disposal's rates were lower than Waste Management in almost every category.

Attorney Chuck Zimmerman explained that the Council was not bound to select the lowest bidder, since this was not a bid process but a proposal. The Council could choose to interview both submitters or choose to select and enter into negotiations. The other option would be for the City to continue providing solid waste services.

The Mayor informed the Council that if the City continued to provide the service the rates would definitely have to be looked at. The rates have not been increased in six years. With the increase in costs and the rates remaining the same the net revenues have been declining. Also, the City needs to address the high volume commercial customers subsidizing the residential customers. The City can address the complaints of the commercial customers regarding rates, but we can't address the complaints on having to sort the recycling. We aren't equipped to provide single stream recycling.

Paul Nelson resides at 106 Mission View Place. He just moved back into town. He previously had Waste Management and really likes the single stream recycling they provide. His family used to recycle, but in Cashmere you have to sort the recycling and he finds it very inconvenient and time consuming. He would like the City to consider making a change so that single stream recycling can be provided.

Daniel Scott resides at 2 Big Rock Place. He has a 35 gallon cart because his family recycles. He doesn't mind sorting the recyclables because he wants the lowest rate possible for garbage service.

Councilor Fletcher stated that he still believes as he did six years ago that the City should get out of the garbage business.

The Council asked staff for a rate proposal to see what the rates would look like with the adjustments and/or increases. Also, the cart sizes and number of residential customers and commercial customers. Staff will also provide several years of annual revenues and expenditures, showing the declining net revenues.

WA RECREATION CONSERVATION OFFICE PROJECT AGREEMENT FOR RIVERSIDE PARK

The Riverside Park project is 50% funded by the Washington Recreation Conservation Office. The project is \$499,850 and the RCO Project Agreement for Office Administered Programs for the improvements to Riverside Park is in the amount of \$249,925. The project can begin as soon as both parties sign the Agreement.

MOVED by Councilor Fletcher and seconded by Councilor Erickson to approve the RCO Project Agreement and authorize the Mayor to sign the agreement. Motion carried

SELECTION OF CONTRACTOR FOR COMMUNITY POOL REPAIRS AND SHADE COVERS

The City utilized the Small Works Roster to solicit bids for repairs and improvements to the Cashmere City Pool. The City received bids from three contractors and W.M. Smith & Associates was the apparent low bidder at \$140,334.13. The bids ranged from \$140,334.13 to \$169,874.00. Staff's recommendation is to select W.M. Smith & Associates for the Repair and Improvement Project for the Cashmere City Pool.

MOVED by Councilor Erickson and seconded by Councilor Fletcher to select W.M. Smith & Associates for the Repair and Improvement Project for the Cashmere City Pool and authorize the Mayor to sign the contracts. Motion carried

COLLECTIVE BARGAINING AGREEMENT BETWEEN CITY AND TEAMSTERS LOCAL UNION #760

MOVED by Councilor Moore and seconded by Councilor Fletcher to approve the Collective Bargaining Agreement between the City and Teamsters Local Union #760 and authorize the Mayor to sign the agreement. Motion carried

MOVED by Councilor Moore and seconded by Councilor Fletcher to provide the two exempt employees of the City with the increase in base compensation the same as in the Union Bargaining Agreement, which is 1.5 % in 2016, 2% in 2017 and 2% in 2018. Motion carried.

PROGRESS REPORTS

No reports.

ADJOURNMENT

Mayor Gomes adjourned the meeting at 7:46 p.m.

  
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Jeff Gomes, Mayor

Attest:

  
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Kay Jones, Clerk-Treasurer