# MINUTES OF THE CASHMERE CITY COUNCIL MEETING MONDAY, FEBRUARY 22, 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.

Chairman J.C. Baldwin called to order the Port of Chelan County Board meeting.

**ATTENDANCE** 

Present

Not Present

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**

#### **EXCUSED ABSENCE**

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

### PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD

No public comment.

#### ANNOUNCEMENTS & INFORMATION

Mayor Gomes announced that Enhanced Senate Bill #6513, which is the water bill for the Wenatchee Watershed, passed 48 to 0. The Mayor is planning to attend the House Committee meeting next week to testify again.

The Mayor informed the council members that at 5:00 p.m. on March 14<sup>th</sup> WCIA will be providing training to the City Council. The training will be for one hour and the regular council meeting will start at 6:00 p.m.

#### APPROVAL OF AGENDA

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

# **CONSENT AGENDA**

Minutes of February 8, 2016 Regular City Council Meeting

Payroll and Claims Packet Dated February 22, 2016

Claim Check Nos. EFT 01/2016 and #36561 through #36585 totaling \$98,644.94 Manual Check Nos. #36560

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

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# CASHMERE CHAMBER - GNOME PROJECT UPDATE

Phil Blackburn and Jenny Cravens from the Cashmere Chamber gave an update on The Gnomes of Cashmere Project. There are currently 18 gnome doors and more are coming soon. They explained that the next project is building a Gnomes Village in the breezeway next to the Leonard Evans building. The Gnomes are a way to get people walking around Cashmere.

# SELECTION OF CONTRACTOR FOR SKATE PARK DESIGN

The City requested quotes for the design and build of Cashmere's proposed skate park. Three companies were notified utilizing our small works roster. Cashmere's Skate Park Committee reviewed the two quotes submitted and unanimously recommends Evergreen Skate Parks out of Portland for the design project. The scope and fee for the design project is not to exceed \$7,000, which includes two open public workshops.

MOVED by Councilor Fletcher and seconded by Councilor Erickson to approve staff's recommendation to select Evergreen Skate Parks for Cashmere's proposed skate park design and authorize the mayor to sign the agreement. Motion carried

# JOINT MEETING WITH CITY COUNCIL, PORT DISTRICT AND CASHMERE ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE

Mayor Gomes spoke on the success of partnerships on projects in Cashmere such as the Sunset Highway project, Goodwin Bridge project, Farm Worker Housing project and the Cashmere Wastewater Treatment Facility.

Jenny Cravens from the Economic Development Board, which is a sub-committee of the Chamber, spoke on the value and benefits of partnerships and how they enhance the community. The committee is pursuing things that will bring people into Cashmere, such as the 911 Memorial, the Gnomes of Cashmere project and the pump track at Riverside Park.

J.C. Baldwin and Mark Urdahl from the Port of Chelan County Board discussed the Port's Mill Site property on Sunset Avenue. All the contamination and wood waste has been removed with the exception of a small portion south of Mill Road. Clean fill was brought in and utilities installed, the site is shovel ready. The Port is discussing constructing a spec building. They are looking in new businesses that are interested in buying or leasing the property. The Port does not want to compete with businesses in the Cashmere downtown district.

# **PROGRESS REPORTS**

Director Botello reported that the Aplets Way project and the Rank Road project have gone out to bid.

Mayor Gomes reported that the Chelan County PUD has energy saving programs and the City is working with them to insulate the upstairs at City Hall and to install heat pumps at the city pool. Both projects will benefit the city in reducing utility costs. The program funding through the PUD will pay for the majority of both projects.

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

Attest:

Kay Jones, Clerk-Treasurer