MINUTES OF THE CASHMERE CITY COUNCIL MEETING MONDAY, AUGUST 8, 2016 AT CASHMERE CITY HALL

OPENING

Mayor Gomes opened the regular city council meeting at 6:00 p.m. at City Hall. Administrative Assistant Teresa Prescott took minutes.

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

Teresa Prescott, Admin. Asst.

FLAG SALUTE

EXCUSE ABSENCE

Moved by Councilor Fletcher and seconded by Councilor Erickson to excuse the absence of Councilor Moore. Motion carried.

ANNOUNCEMENTS & INFORMATION

Planning Director Botello announced the chip seal of Maple, Valley, Birch and Mt. View Place is complete.

Councilor Smith received a complaint from Nancy Valison regarding a home at the end of East Cashmere Road that has 6' high weeds causing a fire hazard. Director Botello said we would send a letter, which we are required to do a couple times each year to that residence.

PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD

Dick Braun, 312 S. Division St., thanked the council for the cleanup of the Martinson property. Braun requested the City address the Tarver property on S. Division Street next.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

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

CONSENT AGENDA

Minutes of July 25, 2016 Regular Council Meeting Payroll and Claims Packet Dated August 8, 2016

Claim Check #37075 and #37098 through #37153 totaling \$277,187.16

Payroll Check #37076 through #37096 totaling \$127,011.43

Manual Check #37074 and #37097 not needing prior approval.

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

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<u>PUBLIC HEARING FOR THE 6-YEAR TRANSPORTATION IMPROVEMENT PLAN</u>
Mayor Gomes opened the public hearing at 6:06 p.m. Planning Director Mark Botello summarized the items on the transportation plan.

Crunch Pak will pay half the cost of pedestrian-activated flashing lights on Sunset.

Future Chip Seal projects, continuation of the City-wide pavement preservation project: Chapel Street north of Pioneer to Angier Avenue and Glenn, Skyline, Valley View, Peshastin, Yakima, Phillips Place and S. Division St. in 2017.

Charlie Brown, 120 W. Pleasant asked for something to be done about his street. Brown handed out pictures of the deteriorating asphalt and potholes. He had to replace his tires and sway bar on his car due to driving through the holes daily. Director Botello stated the street could be repaved for about \$16,000 and that parking on one side only should be instated on W. Pleasant. The street is not a priority because there is not much traffic on the dead-end street. Mayor Gomes stated the TIP would be amended to include W. Pleasant in the future. In the meantime, the Public Works Department will fill the holes.

Rank Road widening is a large project scheduled for 2017.

Paul Sharpe, 116 W. Pleasant, asked how the priority of streets is determined and why water and sewer is a factor. Mayor Gomes informed him of the process and the cost of replacing water and sewer lines. Many times the City cannot afford to replace the lines, so streets that need water or sewer main replacement are postponed until the City can afford the replacement. We also look at maintenance, fire flow, capacity, etc. to determine if the lines need to be replaced.

With no further public comment the Mayor closed the public hearing at 6:27 p.m.

RESOLUTION 05-2016 SIX YEAR TRANSPORTATION IMPROVEMENT PLAN-2017 TO 2022 Moved by Councilor Erickson and seconded by Councilor Smith to approve the 6 year Transportation Improvement Program with the inclusion of West Pleasant and continuation of the City Wide Pavement Preservation program. Motion carried.

RH2 ENGINEERING TASK AUTHORIZATION #18 FOR RANK ROAD IMPROVEMENTS

The proposed change to the task authorization is due to required changes to the project after meeting with the residents. The major modifications include defining the curb line profile to accommodate tractors coming from the orchards, and designing closed drainage catch basins and a piping system for runoff. Cost of the change in engineering is \$9,900.

MOVED by Councilor Fletcher and seconded by Councilor Pratt to approve the RH2 Task Authorization #18 of the General Services Agreement for the Rank Road Improvement project and authorize Mayor Gomes to sign the documents. Motion carried.

ANNEXATION REQUEST FROM KEITH RANKIN FOR 5770 PIONEER AVENUE

Director Botello summarized the annexation request from Keith Rankin which consists of one property. Botello will send a letter to other residents of the area to see if they want to be included in the annexation. If they do, their property taxes will increase approximately \$100 per year, but they will save around \$700 annually in their wastewater bill since county residents pay 1.5 times the city rate.

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After approval to proceed, Botello will draft the petition and set a public hearing for August 22. Moved by Councilor Fletcher and seconded by Councilor Erickson to accept the annexation request from Keith Rankin.

PROGRESS REPORTS

Director Mark Botello reported that a location for the charging station that will be paid by a grant has been agreed upon. The station will be right behind 101 Cottage Avenue. Power is available there and it is close to downtown. Councilor Pratt stated that Joe Brown is unhappy that a parking stall close to his office will be used. Councilor Pratt suggested we consider putting the station at Riverside Park near the restrooms, since power is available there. Director Botello will look into it.

ADJOURNMENT

Mayor Gomes adjourned the meeting at 6:48 p.m.

Jeff Gomes Mayor

Attest:

Teresa Prescott, Administrative Assistant