

MINUTES OF THE CASHMERE CITY COUNCIL MEETING
MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 12, 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> |
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| Mayor: | Jeff Gomes Skip Moore Jim Fletcher Dave Erickson Kameon Smith Derrick Pratt | |
| Staff: | Kay Jones, Clerk-Treasurer Mark Botello, Dir. of Planning/Building Pete Fraley, City Attorney | Chuck Zimmerman, City Attorney |

FLAG SALUTE

ANNOUNCEMENTS & INFORMATION

Mayor Gomes announced that Link Transit is conducting an extensive public outreach program to solicit input from citizens about changes and improvement to transit services they would like to see. An Open House is scheduled for September 26th here at City Hall at 5:00 p.m. for citizen input. Link will then make a presentation at the council meeting at 6:00 p.m.

Councilor Fletcher, City representative on the Link Board gave an update on the request to move the Mission Avenue bus stop. As a first step in the process Link has requested pencil sketches to visualize the impacts. They need to look at the minimum and maximum turning radius before moving the stop from Mission back to Aplets. Council Fletcher explained that the process to reroute a bus takes nine months.

Mayor Gomes read a letter from the Department of Ecology congratulating Cashmere's Wastewater Treatment Plant for receiving the 2015 "Wastewater Treatment Plant Outstanding Performance" award. Cashmere is one of 119 plants that achieved full compliance with its National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System permit in 2015.

The Mayor and Director Botello met with Cashmere School Superintendent Glenn Johnson regarding contributing to a full-time School Resource officer. The Mayor requested two council members to volunteer to meet with Superintendent Johnson and report back to the council. Councilors Smith and Pratt volunteered for the committee.

Planning Director Botello reported that compared to last year the City saved \$11,800 in the cost of electricity at the City Pool by replacing the old boiler with the new heat pumps.

Also, Botello reported that the PUD has agreed to the installation of three new street lights on So. Douglas Street at no charge to the City. The only cost to the city will be the monthly fee for electricity. They are requiring a written request from the City and a favorable response from the neighborhood.

PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD

No comments from public.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

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

CONSENT AGENDA

Minutes of August 8, 2016 Regular Council Meeting

Meeting of August 22, 2016 Cancelled

Payroll and Claims Packet Dated August 22, 2016

Claims Check #EFT 07/2016 and #37159 through 37189 totaling \$155,656.43

Manual Checks #37154 through #37158

Payroll and Claims Packet Dated September 12, 2016

Claims Check #37217 through #37272 totaling \$266,433.99

Payroll Check #37193 through #37216 totaling \$128,756.19

Manual Check #37190 through #37192

Set Public Hearing for September 26, 2016 on Tanager Lane Annexation

Set Public Hearing for September 26, 2016 on Hensley Annexation

Set Public Hearing for September 26, 2016 on Cashmere's Comprehensive Transportation Plan

MOVED by Councilor Erickson and seconded by Councilor Pratt to approve the items on the consent agenda with the amendment to the August 8th minutes. Motion carried.

EXECUTIVE SESSION – To Discuss Potential Litigation

Mayor Gomes closed the regular meeting at 6:18 p.m. to enter into an executive session for approximately 30 minutes to discuss potential litigation. No action will be taken until back in regular session.

The Mayor reconvened the regular session at 6:50 p.m.

ASPHALT REPAIR AT THE 300 BLOCK OF MISSION AVENUE

Since the completion of the Mission Avenue project a few years ago the City has experienced water drainage issues with certain areas behind the sidewalk in the 300 block of Mission Avenue. After investigation city staff recommends paving the area from the sidewalk to the building eliminating the area that holds the water and allowing the water to drain away from the building.

Staff utilized the Small Works Roster for this repair project and received two bids. The apparent low bidder was Central Washington Asphalt. Staff recommends the asphalt repair utilizing Central Washington Asphalt. This project will require a budget amendment in the amount of \$20,000.

MOVED by Councilor Fletcher and seconded by Councilor Pratt to approve the asphalt repair on Mission Avenue. Motion carried.

ORDINANCE NO. 1251 AMENDING SECTIONS 15.36.070 & 18.10E.070 TO INCLUDE REFERENCES TO THE MOST RECENT FLOOD INSURANCE STUDY

The proposed amendments include changing the dates to the most recent Flood Insurance Study for the City of Cashmere. These amendments are required by the Department of Ecology and need to be adopted within 90 days to stay in compliance with FEMA insurance program.

MOVED by Councilor Erickson and seconded by Councilor Moore to adopt Ordinance No. 1251 amending references to the most recent flood insurance study. Motion carried.

WATER RIGHTS APPLICATION FOR NOS. S4-31918, G4-35243(A) AND S4-35243(B)

There are three proposed agreements between the City and Chelan County Natural Resources Department. There is an agreement for each one of the city's three water right applications. The agreements formally enroll the City in the Wenatchee Basin Coordinated Cost Reimbursement program. The cost for all three agreements is \$34,000, which include the costs required to reimburse the County for administering the Program, the County's contractor for preparing your water right Report of Examination (ROE), and Ecology's review of the ROE and issuance of a permit.

Additional fees associated with legal and engineering are estimated at \$15,000, bringing the total cost for this process to almost \$50,000, which will require a budget amendment.

MOVED by Councilor Moore and seconded by Councilor Fletcher to approve and authorize the Mayor to sign all three applications. Motion carried.

PROGRESS REPORTS

Director Botello will email the Transportation Plan to the council for the Public Hearing.

Botello reported that the Park project is looking good. The trees will be planted later this week. The type of playground equipment has not been agreed on. The Park Committee wants something different than what's in the other city parks. The playground portion of the project will be carried over to next year to be completed.

ADJOURNMENT

Mayor Gomes adjourned the meeting at 7:14 p.m.



Jeff Gomes, Mayor

Attest:



Kay Jones, City Clerk-Treasurer