

MINUTES OF THE CASHMERE CITY COUNCIL MEETING
MONDAY, FEBRUARY 13, 2017 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

EXCUSED ABSENCE

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

ANNOUNCEMENTS & INFORMATION

Mayor Gomes informed the Council that he and Mark met with representatives from Chelan County PUD regarding the study on water and wastewater regionalization.

PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD

No comments from public.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

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

CONSENT AGENDA

Minutes of January 23, 2017 Regular Council Meeting
Payroll and Claims Packet Dated February 13, 2017
Claims Check #37664 through #37710 totaling \$165,132.85
Payroll Check #37661 through #37663 totaling \$102,778.05

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

JOINT CITY COUNCIL AND PLANNING COMMISSION MEETING

Director Botello introduced the Planning Commissioners that were present; Chair Dave Hobbs, Vice Chair John Torrence, Dave Reinholz, Rick Shorett and Jared Novak. Dick Ryan and Chris Carlson were absent.

The Planning Commissioners completed several projects, which the City Council considered and adopted. The Commission's work schedule for 2016 included;

- Review and update of Cashmere's Transportation Plan

- Review and approve two annexations; Hensley and Rankin
- Update Cashmere's official Zoning map to reflect annexations
- Review Cashmere School Urban Growth Area expansion
- Discussion of Airport Overlay District for the Cashmere Airport

The proposed 2017 Planning Commission work schedule includes;

- Review of Title 17 Zoning Code
- Review of Comprehensive Plan

Mayor Gomes thanked the Commissioners for all their hard work this past year.

CHIEF MATT BRUNNER – FIRE DEPARTMENT ANNUAL REPORT

Fire Chief Matt Brunner reported that the Cashmere Fire Department has 34 firefighters and 15 EMTs. The department's major event in 2016 was the fire at the Shell Station, which burned down. They answered 565 calls last year, which is a higher call volume than most of the other departments, including paid departments. The calls have greatly increased over the years. The majority of the calls are aid calls.

Chief Brunner thanked the City Council for their support. The Council budgeted \$40,000 for a newer ambulance, which they will be getting soon. In the past year they have purchased needed equipment such as a thermal imaging camera, a gas monitor, and they have updated the audio, video, and TV for training. They've started replacing hose and structure gear and will continue replacing as needed in 2017 to keep up with the ever-changing requirements. The radios will also need to be updated from narrow band to digital.

TOM GREEN – DISCUSSION ON PROPOSED PHASE II OF 9/11 MEMORIAL

Tom Green proposed the concept of a second phase of the 9/11 Memorial, which is a wall directly across the entrance street from the existing 9/11 Spirit of America Memorial. The wall would be approximately 6 feet high and 30 feet in length with the nearly 3000 names of those lost engraved or laser cut in metal or granite.

The City owns the existing memorial and the 9/11 Foundation is responsible for its operation and maintenance. The foundation proposes the same arrangement for the second phase.

Mr. Green stated that all the funds for the second phase would be raised through donations. The foundation is not requesting City funds they are requesting Council approval to use a portion of Riverside Park to construct the second phase. Their goal is to start construction in the spring of 2018 and dedicate the wall that fall on September 11th.

Teri Weedman from the public spoke against the location of the proposed second phase. Mrs. Weedman stated that she does not reside in the City, but she owns and operates 2 businesses in Cashmere, one of which is Riverside Center where the 9/11 Memorial is located. Weedman stated that the memorial is wonderful and beautiful and the foundation's maintenance is meticulous. The problem is that it shouldn't have been constructed at an event center where there are large numbers of people and kids that have no respect for the memorial. Garbage and cigarette butts are thrown on the ground of the memorial and the kids use it as climbing equipment. Weedman opposes construction of the second phase in the park because the same problems will occur. She is requesting the council look for an alternate location.

MOVED by Councilor Smith and seconded by Councilor Fletcher to table the item for more information and possible options. Motion carried with 3 voting in favor and Councilor Moore voting no. Motion carried.

Craig Hess, a resident of Leavenworth and a veteran stated that he's a big fan of the 9/11 Memorial. Whether the second phase happens or not he is encouraged to see a nonprofit organization and the City willing to have a discussion and work together.

APPROVE THE SELECTION OF WEST COAST AMBULANCE & TRUCK FOR THE PURCHASE OF A 2008 AMBULANCE

The City requested quotes for a used 2004 or newer ambulance. The quote documents stated that the City reserved the right to award the bid for the ambulance that is in the best interest of the City of Cashmere at its discretion, rather than the lowest quote. The City received four quotes and after reviewing and comparing the vehicles staff's recommendation is to select West Coast Ambulance & Truck for the purchase of a 2008 ambulance for \$37,365 plus tax. The vehicle selected has a type 1 wheeled coach, LED lights, 0 miles on a new Ford motor and the quote met the requirement to deliver.

MOVED by Councilor Fletcher and seconded by Councilor Smith to approve staff's recommendation of West Coast Ambulance & Truck for the purchase of a 2008 ambulance for the bid price of \$37,365 plus tax. Motion carried.

RIVERSIDE CENTER LEASE AGREEMENT 2018-2022

The proposed five-year lease agreement included minor changes from the current agreement. Removing snow from the front entrance and sidewalks, maintaining planters and pruning of trees and shrubs were moved to Lessee responsibility since Lessee was currently performing those duties. It was agreed that city personnel was not able to perform the tasks in accordance to Lessee's timeline or standards.

The current monthly rent is \$2,500, which will increase \$50 in 2018, again in 2020 and 2022 in order to keep up with rising costs. Lessee has already signed the proposed agreement.

MOVED by Councilor Erickson and seconded by Councilor Fletcher to approve the Riverside Center Lease Agreement and authorize the Mayor to sign. Motion carried.

SELECTION OF GENERAL MUNICIPAL ENGINEERING SERVICES FOR 2017

City Staff advertised for Statements of Qualification's (SOQ's) for general municipal engineering services for 2017. The City received several statements that were reviewed and scored by the committee. RH2 Engineering received the highest score. The committee's recommendation was to select RH2 Engineering for general municipal engineering services.

MOVED by Councilor Fletcher and seconded by Councilor Moore to approve the committee's recommendation to select RH2 Engineering for general municipal engineering services for 2017. Motion carried.

SELECTION OF GENERAL MUNICIPAL SURVEYING SERVICES FOR 2017

City Staff advertised for Statements of Qualification's (SOQ's) for general municipal surveying services for 2017. The City received several statements that were reviewed and scored by the committee. Fitzpatrick Surveying received the highest score. The committee's recommendation was to select Fitzpatrick Surveying for general municipal surveying services.


MOVED by Councilor Fletcher and seconded by Councilor Moore to approve the committee's recommendation to select Fitzpatrick Surveying for general municipal surveying services for 2017. Motion carried.

PROGRESS REPORTS

Director Botello introduced Craig Hess, a developer he's been working with on a 10-lot subdivision located just east of Riverside Park down by the river.

ADJOURNMENT

Mayor Gomes adjourned the meeting at 7:19 p.m.



Jeff Gomes, Mayor

Attest:



Kay Jones, City Clerk-Treasurer