MINUTES OF THE CASHMERE CITY COUNCIL MEETING MONDAY, NOVEMBER 13, 2017 AT CASHMERE CITY HALL

OPENING

Mayor Jeff Gomes opened the regular city council meeting at 6:00 p.m. at City Hall. Clerk-Treasurer Kay Jones 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, Director

Chuck Zimmerman, City Attorney

FLAG SALUTE

EXCUSED ABSENCES

ANNOUNCEMENTS & INFORMATION

Councilor Fletcher reported that Link held a special board meeting to discuss whether they should place a sales tax measure on an upcoming 2018 ballot. The Board voted to draft a resolution to place a sales tax measure on the February 2018 ballot. The measure will be a 0.2% sales tax increase phased in over 2 years. The first 0.1% increase would be at the passage of the measure and the second would be January 2020.

Councilor Fletcher stated that the Board is not considering an increase in fares at this time.

The council was reminded of the upcoming WCIA training for Council on November 20th at 5:30 p.m. Daniel Scott the newly elected council member will also attend.

PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD

No public comment.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

MOVED by Councilor Erickson and seconded by Councilor Smith to approve the revised agenda including item #5 2018 Agreement for Emergency Services. Motion carried.

CONSENT AGENDA

Minutes of October 9, 2017 Regular Council Meeting Payroll and Claims Packet Dated October 23, 2017

Claims Direct Pay and Check #38437 through #38467 totaling \$34,059.54

Payroll Direct Pay and Check #38434 through #38436

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

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PUBLIC HEARING ON PRELIMINARY BUDGET FOR 2018

Mayor Gomes opened the Public Hearing at 6:07 p.m. to receive public comment on the Preliminary Budget for 2018. Mayor Gomes summarized the capital improvement purchases and projects.

Clerk-Treasurer Kay Jones stated that the 2018 Budget is status quo with minimal capital purchases and projects. The annual utility rate increases are shown in the budget along with the employee wage increases and the increases for contract services. The Preliminary Budget meets the budgeting policy that estimated revenues must cover estimated operating expenditures.

With no questions or comments from the public the hearing was closed at 6:25 p.m.

DIRECT DISCHARGE WASTEWATER SERVICES AGREEMENT WITH TREE TOP

MOVED by Councilor Pratt and seconded by Councilor Smith to approve the Direct Discharge Wastewater Services Agreement with Tree Top. Motion carried.

<u>ADDENDUM NO. 1 TO BIOSOLIDS HAULING AND BENEFICIAL USE SERVICES WITH BOULDER</u> PARK

Addendum No. 1 extends the term of the contract, and includes an increase in the rate and name/title changes. The legal language has been approved by the City Attorney.

MOVED by Councilor Fletcher and seconded by Councilor Pratt to approve Addendum No. 1 to the Biosolids Hauling and Beneficial Use Services with Boulder Park. Motion carried.

PROSECUTION SERVICE AGREEMENT FOR 2018

The 2018 agreement is the same per case rate of \$225. The annual amount for prosecution services is higher in 2018 due to an increase in the number of cases handled by the Prosecuting Attorney in a 12-month period.

MOVED by Councilor Fletcher and seconded by Councilor Smith to approve the Prosecution Service Agreement for 2018. Motion carried.

2018 AGREEMENT FOR EMERGENCY SERVICES

The emergency services agreement is calculated at \$2.72 per capita. The amount per capita will be increasing for the 2019 budget.

MOVED by Councilor Erickson and seconded by Councilor Fletcher to approve the 2018 Agreement for Emergency Services. Motion carried.

PROGRESS REPORTS

Director Mark Botello reported on the countywide street light grant program. The City's street lights previous to 2008 do not meet L&I requirements. They are not UL listed so they do not meet National Electrical Standards. The City's street light system is not grounded. The City, L&I and Chelan County PUD are working on a solution to fix the City's street light deficiencies.

ADJOURNMENT

Mayor Gomes adjourned the meeting at 6:46 p.m.

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Attest:

Kay Jones, City Clerk-Treasurer