

MINUTES OF THE CASHMERE CITY COUNCIL MEETING
MONDAY, JULY 23, 2018 AT CASHMERE CITY HALL

OPENING

Mayor Jim Fletcher 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:	Jim Fletcher	
Council:	Daniel Scott Chris Carlson Dave Erickson Kameon Smith Derrick Pratt	
Staff:	Kay Jones, Clerk-Treasurer	Chuck Zimmerman, City Attorney

FLAG SALUTE

ANNOUNCEMENTS & INFORMATION

Councilor Pratt reported that the Airport Board is looking into an issue regarding the trees at the edge of the airport property that are too high. They are looking into FAA requirements for the authority to require the property owner to cut the trees since they interfere with the flight path.

PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD - For Items Not on the Agenda

No public comments.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Mayor Fletcher requested the addition of item #3 Hauling rates regarding bio-solids.

MOVED by Councilor Erickson and seconded by Councilor Pratt to approve the agenda as amended with the addition of item #3 Hauling rates regarding bio-solids. Motion carried 5-0.

CONSENT AGENDA

Minutes of July 9, 2018 Regular Council Meeting
Payroll and Claims Packet Dated July 23, 2018

Claims Direct Pay and Checks #39047 through #39071 totaling \$186,934.36
Manual Check #39045 and 39046 refunds not needing prior approval

MOVED by Councilor Smith and seconded by Councilor Scott to approve the items on the consent agenda. Motion carried 5-0.

CONTRACT WITH STANDARD PALLET CO. TO GRIND MATERIAL AT THE CITY MULCHING CENTER SITE

Standard Pallet is the same company that chipped the brush pile at the Mulching Center last year. The proposed contract amount for chipping the brush pile is not to exceed \$8,600, the amount may be increased by written approval by the Mayor.

MOVED by Councilor Scott and seconded by Councilor Smith to authorize the Mayor to sign the Agreement with Standard Pallet. Motion carried 5-0.

LETTER OF INTENT TO PARTICIPATE IN THE CHELAN COUNTY HAZARD MITIGATION PLANNING PARTNERSHIP

Mayor Fletcher stated that he would like to table the item, the hazard mitigation planning is regarding wildland fires and he would like more information to determine if the partnership would benefit Cashmere.

MOVED by Councilor Smith and seconded by Councilor Pratt to reject participating in the Chelan County Hazard Mitigation Planning Partnership. Motion carried 5-0.

HAULING RATES REGARDING BIO-SOLIDS

Mayor Fletcher explained that the City has two separate issues regarding hauling bio-solids. For discussion purposes he referred to the solids from the Wastewater Treatment Plant as sludge and the solids that need to be cleaned out of the lagoons as bio-solids.

LAGOONS – Bio-Solids from the old lagoons will be hauled to the Waste Management Regional Landfill in East Wenatchee. This site was approved by Department of Ecology and the Health District as the only site approved to receive these specific bio-solids. Waste Management's rate for disposal is \$34.25 per ton and hauling is \$13.00 per ton. This arrangement with Waste Management was approved by Council earlier this year. However, staff would like to see if a better rate can be obtained for hauling.

WWTP – Sludge – A better solution is needed in drying and disposal of sludge relative to our interest in keeping hauling and disposal costs low while avoiding odors in town and in the river valley. Sludge is stockpiled at the WWTP during the winter and dried in the spring/summer to get the lowest possible water content and save on the per ton disposal cost.

The City is required to haul the sludge to "Bolder Park" near Mansfield. Disposal fee is \$14.61 per ton and the hauling is \$140.00 per hour for truck with a 4 hour per trip travel time. Initial estimate is 15 to 25 loads depending on how wet and heavy the material is when loaded. Transportation cost ranges between \$8,400 and \$14,000. Staff estimates between 250 and 300 tons with 65% water. Disposal fees range between \$3,600 and \$4,400. Preferred dry weight would be about 14% water. Thus, the total cost range is \$12,000 to \$18,400, plus taxes. We will know more about the tonnage when a truck is loaded and weighed.

Staff is directed to find a better operating solution to handle the sludge stockpiling and drying, to keep costs low yet avoid future complaints about odors.

MOVED by Councilor Pratt and seconded by Councilor Carlson to authorize the Mayor to negotiate the best deal for hauling the bio-solids from the lagoons. Motion carried 5-0.

PROGRESS REPORTS

Mayor Fletcher reported on the progress for hiring a Director of Operations. He would like a committee to review the Association of Washington Cities (AWC) salaries to see if Cashmere's

Director salary is where it should be. Councilors Daniel Scott and Chris Carlson volunteered to meet with Clerk-Treasurer Kay Jones to review the salaries.

ADJOURNMENT

Mayor Fletcher adjourned the meeting at 6:45 p.m.



James Fletcher, Mayor

Attest:



Kay Jones, Clerk-Treasurer