

MINUTES OF THE CASHMERE CITY COUNCIL MEETING  
MONDAY, MARCH 26, 2018 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

	<u>Present</u>	<u>Not Present</u>
Mayor:	Jeff Gomes Daniel Scott Jim Fletcher Dave Erickson Kameon Smith Derrick Pratt	
Staff:	Kay Jones, Clerk-Treasurer Mark Botello, Director Chuck Zimmerman, City Attorney	

FLAG SALUTE

ANNOUNCEMENTS & INFORMATION

The Mayor reported that the River Street property is not zoned for Jaeger's Towing and it takes 60 to 90 days to change the zoning, which doesn't fit Jaeger's timeline so they are looking elsewhere.

The Mayor reported that the new air conditioner is being installed at the Wastewater Treatment Plant and the concrete storm pipe running under the railroad has been cleaned out and the pipe lining will be installed in about 3 weeks.

The Mayor reported on the meetings he attended, which included RiverCom, Chelan County Sheriff, Icicle Work Group and RH2 Engineering.

Councilor Smith announced she would like to introduce Bob McSeveney at the next Council Meeting. Mr. McSeveney is running for Chelan County Superior Court Judge and he would like to talk about his credentials and experience.

PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD

Patricia Ommen residing at 4864 Rank Road handed out a letter and pictures regarding her concerns with the new development up Rank Road and Kennedy Road. Ms. Ommen stated that her neighbor below her Nancy Freese was unable to attend tonight and asked that she speak on her behalf also.

Attorney Chuck Zimmerman suggested that the Council direct the Mayor to work with the City Attorney to investigate the facts in this issue and report back to Council. Sorting things out right here at council would be very difficult. The Council consented.

John Baker residing at 5101 Moody Lane stated that he was here in support of Ms. Ommen. Also, he voiced concern with the new development down by the walking trail. On another note, Mr. Baker wanted to thank the City for doing a great job plowing his road.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

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

CONSENT AGENDA

Minutes of March 12, 2018 City Council Meeting  
Payroll and Claims Packet Dated March 26, 2018

Claims Direct Pay and Checks #38777 through #38799 totaling \$65,935.11

Manual Check #38776

Joint Cashmere Council and Cashmere Planning Commission Meeting April 9, 2018 at 6:00 p.m.

MOVED by Councilor Erickson and seconded by Councilor Pratt to approve the consent agenda as presented. Motion carried.

CURT SOPER WITH LAND TRUST WILL GIVE AN UPDATE ON THE CASHMERE CANYONS PROJECT

Curt Soper with the Land Trust updated the City Council on the Cashmere Canyons Project. The Cashmere Canyons Preserve is located between Nahahum and Hay Canyons, and is not your typical Land Trust Preserve. The property is not owned by the Land Trust and is not public land. The property is preserved through a conservation easement. The right of public access is held by the Land Trust, but cannot be delivered until a suitable trailhead facility can be built. Public access will be limited to human foot traffic only. The Land Trust anticipates that it will be a very popular trail system. The Land Trust is seeking a letter of support from the City of Cashmere.

MOVED by Councilor Fletcher and seconded by Councilor Erickson to send a letter of support of the Cashmere Canyons Project. Motion carried.

ORDINANCE NO. 1266 ESTABLISHING COMPENSATION TO BE PAID TO THE MAYOR

Mayor Gomes informed the Council that he has no intention of running for another term so basically what the Council would be doing is increasing the salary for the next mayor. The Mayor stated that he has not requested an increase, that Councilor Pratt brought up the increase.

MOVED by Councilor Pratt and seconded by Councilor Smith to set the compensation to be paid to the Mayor at \$1,500 per month. Ordinance No. 1266 establishing compensation to be paid to the Mayor carried with 4 in favor and Councilor Scott voting no.

CASHMERE LEVEE MANAGEMENT PLAN REVIEW

Director of Planning/Building Mark Botello gave a brief history on the levees and discussed the five-year program to remove the trees on the levees. Botello explained that the plan will be reviewed by the County since the City is in the Chelan County Flood Control Zone and it will go through the state agency review before coming back before Council for approval.

Craig Hess from the public commented on the Levee regarding his development down by the walking trail. Mr. Hess stated he is glad there is a plan.

PROGRESS REPORTS

Director Botello reported that the blinking pedestrian light that was hit on S. Division Street has been fixed and paid for by the driver's insurance.

Botello stated that he has gone out to bid for the chip sealing project. He will be looking at the pricing of chip seal versus asphalt.

ADJOURNMENT

Mayor Gomes adjourned the meeting at 7:10 p.m.

  
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Jeff Gomes, Mayor

Attest:

  
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Kay Jones, Clerk-Treasurer