

MINUTES OF THE CASHMERE CITY COUNCIL MEETING  
MONDAY JULY 8, 2019 AT CASHMERE CITY HALL

OPENING

Mayor Jim Fletcher opened the regular City Council meeting at 6:00 p.m. at City Hall. City Clerk-Treasurer Kay Jones took minutes.

ATTENDANCE

Present

Not Present

Mayor: Jim Fletcher

Council: Daniel Scott  
Chris Carlson  
Dave Erickson  
Kameon Smith  
Derrick Pratt

Staff:

Kay Jones, Clerk-Treasurer  
Steve Croci, Director of Operations

Chuck Zimmerman, City Attorney

FLAG SALUTE

ANNOUNCEMENTS & INFORMATION

Sheriff Burnett presented the Chelan County Sheriff's Office Report for 2018.

PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD - For Items Not on the Agenda

No Comments from the public.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

MOVED by Councilor Erickson and seconded by Councilor Carlson to approve the agenda as presented. Motion carried 5-0.

CONSENT AGENDA

Minutes of June 24, 2019 Regular Council Meeting

Payroll and Claims Packet Dated July 8, 2019

Claims Direct Pay and Checks #39778 through #39810 totaling \$213,008.87

Payroll Direct Pay and Checks #39754 through #39777 totaling \$116,918.95

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

DIRECTOR BILL LARSON AND BUSINESS MANAGER NICOLE THOMSON - DISCUSSION ON CHELAN COUNTY REGIONAL JUSTICE CENTER RATES FOR 2020

Director Larson explained that after reviewing the budget, which includes wages, debt, and the security upgrades, the Day Bed Rate will increase from \$96.00 to \$120.50 starting in 2020. The budget amount is divided by the average daily population to determine the bed rate. The onetime processing fee of \$125.00 will be eliminated going into 2020.

City will still be on the 3-year rolling average and there will be a reconciliation period to adjust for any over or under payment. The City's monthly payment will increase approximately \$215.00.

The Jail is not subsidized by the County's general fund; however, the County does pay the same bed rate as everyone else. The County's budget, including the Sheriff's department and Jail, can be found on the County website.

WORKSHOP TO DISCUSS WATER RATE STUDY

Mayor Fletcher presented the information from FCS Group regarding the water rate study. The rate study shows two options; one option showing an increase starting at 7.5% to 4% to 2.5% and the other option is smoothed to a 4% annual rate increase over eight years. The 4% increase is needed if the City Council decides to fully fund the \$400,000 annual transfer to fund capitals. It was discussed that if upgrades and capitals were not fully funded and it was likely that the budget for maintenance and repairs would then increase.

WORKSHOP TO DISCUSS STREET LIGHT REPAIR PROJECT

Mayor Fletcher reported that to date the City has spent \$60,582.00 on the street light GFI's and wiring repairs. Nine streets have been repaired and the lights are on and the GFI's are holding. There are five streets that have been repaired and the lights are working, but occasionally fail. Chapel and Perry Street are still in progress. Perry Street has been repaired in several places and is still not working. The consensus of the City Council was to finish Chapel Street, get an estimate for Perry Street for new wire and conduit and work with the PUD regarding Olive Street.

PROGRESS REPORTS

The Chapel Street project is moving along.


Senator Hawkins is holding a Town Meeting September 3<sup>rd</sup> between 8:30 a.m. and 9:30 a.m. at City Hall.

ADJOURNMENT

Mayor Fletcher adjourned the meeting at 7:35 p.m.

  
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James Fletcher, Mayor

Attest:

  
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Kay Jones, Clerk-Treasurer