

MINUTES OF THE CASHMERE CITY COUNCIL MEETING
MONDAY AUGUST 8, 2022, AT CASHMERE CITY HALL – In Person and Digital

OPENING

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

The public can attend the council meeting in person, by phone, or by digital conference.

ATTENDANCE

	<u>Present</u>	<u>Not Present</u>
Mayor:	Jim Fletcher	
Council:	John Perry Chris Carlson Shela Pistorosi Jayne Stephenson Derrick Pratt	
Staff:	Kay Jones, Clerk-Treasurer Chuck Zimmerman, City Attorney Kate Schilling, City Attorney	Steve Croci, Director of Operations

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Mayor Fletcher announced the community meeting on August 30th has been moved to City Hall due to a failed air conditioner at Riverside Center. The meeting will update the community on the Goodwin Road Improvement project.

Aplets Bridge will be closed completely for patching and repair work, from Monday, August 15th through Friday, August 19th at 5:00 p.m.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

No public present.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

MOVED by Councilor Carlson and seconded by Councilor Stephenson to approve the agenda as provided. Motion carried unanimously.

CONSENT AGENDA

Minutes of July 25, 2022, Regular Council Meeting

Minutes of July 25, 2022, Workshop Meeting

Payroll and Claims Packet Dated August 8, 2022

Claims Direct Pay and Check #42075 and #42105 through #42134 totaling \$190,025.03

Payroll Direct Deposit and Check #42077 through #42104 totaling \$97,063.94

Manual Check #42076 does not need prior approval

MOVED by Councilor Pratt and seconded by Councilor Carlson to approve the items on the Consent Agenda. Motion carried unanimously.

PUBLIC HEARING ON THE SIX-YEAR TRANSPORTATION IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM

Mayor Fletcher opened the public hearing at 6:02 p.m. to receive comments from the public on the Six-Year Transportation Improvement Program. With no public comment, the mayor closed the hearing at 6:02 p.m.

RESOLUTION NO. 04-2022 ADOPTING THE SIX-YEAR TIP 2023-2028

MOVED by Councilor Carlson and seconded by Councilor Stephenson to approve Resolution No. 04-2022 adopting the Six-Year Transportation Program 2023-2028. Motion carried unanimously.

RIVERSIDE CENTER HVAC UPDATE

Mayor Fletcher informed the council that the air conditioner compressor failed at Riverside Center. The HVAC system is 20 years old, and this is the second time the compressor has failed. The cost of the compressor is about \$6,000 and will take 4-6 weeks to be delivered. Including freon and labor the repair is estimated at \$8,000 to \$10,000. The mayor suggested replacing the entire HVAC system instead of repair a 20-year-old system. With the library moving to the Riverside Center building the City could coordinate with the library's architect and an engineer to design a system to meet future needs of the library. No decision was made to repair at this time.

EXECUTIVE SESSION – Potential Litigation and EXEMPT FROM OPMA - Collective Bargaining

At 6:10 p.m. Mayor Fletcher closed the regular session to enter an executive session to discuss potential litigation and collective bargaining for approximately 10 minutes. The Council may act when the regular session is reconvened.

At 6:21 the council extended the time for another 10 minutes to discuss collective bargaining.

Mayor Fletcher reconvened the regular meeting at 6:27 p.m.

LETTER OF AGREEMENT FOR CERTIFICATION AND COMPENSATION FOR POOL RESPONSIBILITIES

MOVED by Councilor Carlson and seconded by Councilor Stephenson to approve Letter of Agreement regarding pool responsibilities. Motion carried unanimously.

SETTLEMENT AGREEMENT FOR TWO FORMER WATER/WASTEWATER EMPLOYEES

MOVED by Councilor Pratt and seconded by Councilor Carlson to approve the Settlement Agreement for two former water/wastewater employees. Motion carried unanimously.

PROGRESS REPORTS

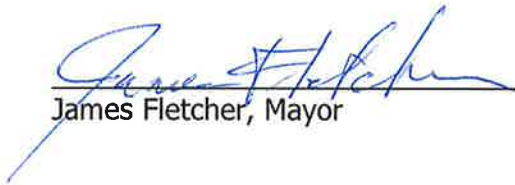
The mayor attended a meeting with the Regional Port Authority regarding the Cashmere Mill District property. He updated the council on the Port's plans for the remaining parcels. For the parcel on the north side of Sunset they plan to clean up the wood waste and sell the property. The parcel between the two existing buildings they are talking about building for small businesses. The two largest parcels on Mill Road they want to sell as one property.

The mayor reported on the meeting with the Cashmere Chamber of Commerce. In summary, the Board has concerns about the future of the Chamber. The membership base is unhappy, and the Board is exhausted from hosting events. Their objective is to get back in line with promoting local business, sharing funds with community organizations and being a resource for potential new businesses and existing business.

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ADJOURNMENT

Mayor Fletcher adjourned the meeting at 6:38 p.m.


James Fletcher, Mayor

Attest:


Kay Jones, Clerk-Treasurer