

MINUTES OF THE CASHMERE CITY COUNCIL MEETING
MONDAY OCTOBER 10, 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> |
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| Mayor: | Jim Fletcher | |
| Council: | John Perry Chris Carlson Shela Pistorosi Jayne Stephenson Derrick Pratt | |
| Staff: | Kay Jones, Clerk-Treasurer Steve Croci, Director of Operations | Chuck Zimmerman, City Attorney Kate Schilling, City Attorney |

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Director Croci announced the City has been awarded a grant from FEMA in the amount of \$168,750 for a portable generator and electrical connections for five water and wastewater facilities.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

No comments from the public.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

MOVED by Councilor Carlson and seconded by Councilor Perry to approve the agenda as submitted. Motion carried unanimously.

CONSENT AGENDA

Minutes of September 26, 2022, Regular Council Meeting
Payroll and Claims Packet Dated October 10, 2022

Claims Direct Pay and Check #2202 and #42229 through #42246 totaling \$327,776.51

Payroll Direct Pay and Check #42226 through #42228 totaling \$81,225.84

Voided Checks #42247 through #42263 (misprinted)

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

SELECTION OF CONTRACTOR FOR THE SEWER MAINLINE CLEAN AND INSPECT PROJECT

The City requested MRSC Small Works Roster bids to clean and inspect the sewer mainline on Cottage Avenue and Riverfront Drive. The City received three bids, of which Vortex Services, LLC was the low bidder at \$25,329.38.

MOVED by Councilor Carlson and seconded by Councilor Pratt to approve the selection of Vortex Services, LLC to clean and inspect the sewer mainline. Motion carried unanimously.

ORDINANCE NO. 1313 CHANGING THE TIME OF THE CITY PLANNING COMMISSION MEETINGS

The Planning Commission members are finding it difficult to make the 5:00 p.m. meeting time. They have requested that the Planning Commission meetings be changed from 5:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m. to accommodate work schedules.

MOVED by Councilor Pratt and seconded by Councilor Stephenson to adopt Ordinance No. 1313 changing the time of the City Planning Commission meetings. Motion carried unanimously.

PROGRESS REPORTS

Regarding the request to amend Chapter 17.58.085, Mayor Fletcher reported that he has not yet assigned the matter to the Planning Commission to review. The same request was reviewed by the Planning Commission just 2 years ago and the Commission's recommendation was not to amend the code to allow chickens. Before reassigning the matter to the Planning Commission, the mayor is researching the matter in order to assign specific tasks for the Commission to review. If the Use Chart is going to be amended the mayor would like the Planning Commission to do a comprehensive overview of the Use Chart.

The mayor announce there will be a follow up meeting with Senator Hawkins on the Regional Aquatic Center.

Director Croci reported the pool is covered for the winter, the street and alley way chip seal has been completed. The Planning Commission has approved the Final Parks and Recreation Plan, and the next steps are a public hearing and adoption by City Ordinance.

ADJOURNMENT

Mayor Fletcher adjourned the meeting at 6:22 p.m.

James Fletcher, Mayor

Attest:



Kay Jones, Clerk-Treasurer

WORKSHOP MINUTES OF THE CASHMERE CITY COUNCIL
MONDAY SEPTEMBER 26, 2022, AT CASHMERE CITY HALL – In Person and Digital

WORKSHOP OPENDING

Mayor Jim Fletcher began the workshop at 5:05 p.m. at City Hall. Kay Jones, Clerk-Treasurer took minutes.

Public can attend the workshop in person, by phone or by digital conference. The mayor announced this was a workshop for information only and no decisions will be made.

ATTENDANCE

| | <u>Present</u> | <u>Not Present</u> |
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| Mayor: | Jim Fletcher | |
| Council: | John Perry Chris Carlson | Shela Pistorresi |
| | Jayne Stephenson Derrick Pratt (5:38 pm) | |
| Staff: | Kay Jones, Clerk-Treasurer Steve Croci, Director of Operations | |

DISCUSSION ON OPTIONS TO FUND POOLS AND PARKS

Mayor Fletcher presented funding options for operation and maintenance for the council to consider.

Voter approved property tax increase within city limits:

- A. One-year revenue increase of \$100,000, (14% tax increase)
 - After the one-year annual revenue increase on the new base returns to 1% per year.
- B. Five-years at \$20,000 per year revenue increase, total \$100,000 (2.8% tax increase each year)
 - After the 5-years annual revenue increase on new base returns to 1% per year.

Metropolitan Park District:

Voters approve a separate taxing authority with separate governing board, may include part of unincorporated county around city.

General Obligation Bond:

Voter approved G.O. bond for capital improvements (such as pool).

Mayor Fletcher explained that in the near future the council is going to have to make a decision on how the city is going to fund the pool and city parks. The public has made it clear they want the pool opened and they want parks. With only a 1% annual increase in property tax the city is unable to keep up with maintenance and operating costs.

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WORKSHOP ADJOURNED

Mayor Fletcher ended the workshop at 5:50 p.m.



James Fletcher, Mayor

Attest:



Kay Jones, Clerk-Treasurer