

MINUTES OF THE CASHMERE CITY COUNCIL MEETING
MONDAY JULY 11, 2011 AT CASHMERE CITY HALL

OPENING

Mayor Gordon Irle opened the regular city council meeting at 7:05 p.m. at City Hall. Clerk-Treasurer Kay Jones took minutes.

ATTENDANCE

	<u>Present</u>	<u>Not Present</u>
Mayor:	Gordon Irle	
Council:	Skip Moore Donna Wynne Debbie Knutsen Jeff Gomes	Jim Fletcher
Staff:	Bob Schmidt, Dir. of Operations Kay Jones, City Clerk-Treasurer Mark Botello, Dir. of Planning/Building	

FLAG SALUTE

EXCUSED ABSENCE

MOVED by Councilor Moore and seconded by Councilor Knutsen to excuse the absence of Councilor Jim Fletcher. Motion carried.

ANNOUNCEMENTS & INFORMATION

Clerk-Treasurer Kay Jones announced that the council had copies of June's financial report.

Director Bob Schmidt announced that the contractor for the Mission Street project was scheduled to start that morning, but will be starting on Wednesday of this week instead. The contractor has amended his plan to leave the asphalt removal to the end of the project to cause less impact to traffic.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Councilor Knutsen requested that #5 Salary Index be added to the agenda.

MOVED by Councilor Gomes and seconded by Councilor Wynne to approve the agenda as amended with the addition of Salary Index. Motion carried.

CONSENT AGENDA

Minutes of June 27, 2011 Regular City Council Meeting

Payroll and Claims Packet Dated July 11, 2011

Claims Check Nos. 31047 and 31050 through 31097 totaling \$125,235.92

Payroll Check Nos. 31014 through 31044 totaling \$107,698.28

Special Study Session on July 25, 2011 at 6:00 p.m. to discuss investments

MOVED by Councilor Knutsen and seconded by Councilor Gomes to approve the items on the consent agenda. Motion carried.

INFORMATION ON GLASS CRUSHER AND WHETHER TO DECLARE IT SURPLUS

Director of Operations Bob Schmidt reported that the city's glass crusher is actually a pulverizer. Pulverizers reduce glass to grit or sand consistency and crushers reduce glass to small pieces called "cullet" in the glass recycling industry. Director Schmidt found a couple of used glass crushers on ebay, one for around \$3,900 and the other for \$6,700. There were no used pulverizers to help determine the value of the city's pulverizer. Director Schmidt stated that he sees no value in holding onto the glass pulverizer and has no objection to declaring it surplus.

MOVED by Councilor Moore and seconded by Councilor Gomes to declare the glass pulverizer surplus. Motion carried.

Brenda Harn from Chelan County Solid Waste has requested that the City give it to the City of Chelan. The consensus of the council is that there is value in the glass pulverizer and that it shouldn't be given away. Director Schmidt will speak with the City of Chelan to see how interested they are in the glass pulverizer and if they are willing to buy it.

SALARY INDEX

Councilor Knutsen stated that she would like to discuss tying the employee wages to some type of index when negotiations are started with the union. She believes that the previous three year contract hurt the city since the increase in wages was 3% each year and the cost of living for those three years was less than that.

Director Schmidt stated that they will be discussing union negotiations in executive session at the next meeting.

PROGRESS REPORTS

Reports were provided in the council packets. Director Botello reported that he is still working with Crunch Pak on the Foster Street vacation.

ADJOURNMENT


MOVED by Councilor Moore and seconded by Councilor Wynne to adjourn. Motion carried.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:30 p.m.

Attest:



Kay Jones, Clerk/Treasurer



Gordon Irle, Mayor