

MINUTES OF THE CASHMERE CITY COUNCIL MEETING
MONDAY SEPTEMBER 9, 2024, AT CASHMERE CITY HALL – In-Person and Digital

OPENING

Mayor Fletcher opened the regular City Council meeting at 6:00 p.m. at City Hall. Clerk-Treasurer Kay Jones 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 Jeff Johnson	
Staff:	Kay Jones, Clerk-Treasurer Steve Croci, Director of Operations City Attorney, Julie Norton	

PUBLIC COMMENT

No public comment.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

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

CONSENT AGENDA

Minutes of August 26, 2024, Regular Council Meeting

Payroll and Claims Packet Dated September 9, 2024

Claims Direct Pay and Check #43732 and #43734 through #43757 totaling \$184,260.47

Payroll Direct Pay and Check #43699 through #43731 totaling \$112,426.58

Manual Check #43733 not needing prior approval

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

SHERIFF MORRISON – UPDATE ON SHERIFF’S OFFICE

Sheriff Morrison and Corporal Haynes were present to update the council on the progress of the Sheriff Department. The Sheriff presented the 2023 Annual Report and discussed the highlights. All the contract cities are represented in the report with each city’s stats from 2019 through 2023.

Morrison announced his department has received federal funding for the body cameras and are working on funding for 42 cameras to place around Chelan County for additional eyes, especially in remote areas. The cameras do not have facial recognition, they would be used to identify vehicles in the area. Other

departments are using these cameras, which has resulted in success. This information can be shared with other law enforcement agencies in collaboration on cases. A 2-year pilot program will be established for use of the cameras.

The two largest issues for law enforcement are drugs and the homeless. The homeless population and camps are increasing everywhere. Sheriff Morrison stated that deputies can trespass someone if they are camped on private property and Chelan County amended their codes so that law enforcement can remove the homeless from county property. Morrison suggested the city look at the county's code and maybe tweak ours to match. It would be a great benefit to law enforcement if all the cities in Chelan County had the same language regarding the homeless.

ORDINANCE NO. 1329 ESTABLISHING THE CASHMERE TRANSPORTATION BENEFIT DISTRICT NO. 1
MOVED by Councilor Carlson and seconded by Councilor Johnson to approve Ordinance No. 1329 establishing the Cashmere Transportation Benefit District No. 1. Motion carried unanimously.

SELECTION OF CONTRACTOR FOR THE S. DOUGLAS WATERLINE REPLACEMENT PROJECT
MOVED by Councilor Carlson and seconded by Councilor Johnson to approve the selection of Accent Foundations and More LLC as the contractor for the S. Douglas Street water line replacement in the amount of \$630,727.83. Motion carried unanimously.

PROGRESS REPORTS

Mayor Fletcher reported there was a water leak at Freedom Hills which turned out to be irrigation not city water.

The Emerald St. leak has been fixed.

Public Works is working on the leak at the pool.

Slab Jack will be raising and leveling the slabs of sinking concrete at the pool.

The paving on W. Pleasant Street has been completed.

ADJOURNMENT

Mayor Fletcher adjourned the council meeting at 6:56 PM


James Fletcher, Mayor

Attest:


Kay Jones, Clerk-Treasurer