

MINUTES OF THE CASHMERE CITY COUNCIL MEETING
MONDAY, FEBRUARY 13, 2012 AT CASHMERE CITY HALL

OPENING

Mayor Jeff Gomes opened the regular city council meeting at 7:00 p.m. at City Hall. Clerk-Treasurer Kay Jones took minutes.

ATTENDANCE

| | <u>Present</u> | <u>Not Present</u> |
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| Mayor: | Jeff Gomes | |
| Council: | Skip Moore Jim Fletcher Donna Wynne Derek Knutsen John Bryant | |
| Staff: | Bob Schmidt, Dir. of Operations Kay Jones, City Clerk-Treasurer Mark Botello, Dir. of Planning/Building Chuck Zimmerman, City Attorney | |

FLAG SALUTE

ANNOUNCEMENTS & INFORMATION

Director of Planning/Building Mark Botello announced that Crunch Pak has applied for a building permit for phase A of their development.

Director of Operations Bob Schmidt announced that he attended the WCIA board meeting. The financial stability of WCIA was discussed at the board meeting. Annually WCIA selects an area to audit within the city. The purpose of the audits are to identify the city's strengths and to find any weaknesses and correct them. This year's audit is on internet security.

Clerk-Treasurer Kay Jones announced that Council had copies of the January 2012 Financial Report in front of them and to call if they had any questions.

Mayor Gomes reported that he has had several meetings the past couple weeks. He met with Chelan County Port District to discuss City and Port issues. The Port District is proceeding with development of the mill site property.

Mayor Gomes along with Directors Schmidt and Botello met with Brenda Harn from Chelan County Solid Waste. Ms. Harn wanted to discuss and encourage the City to use the Dryden transfer station instead of the East Wenatchee Landfill. Mayor Gomes recalculated the figures from Ms. Harn and according to his calculations the City would have to pay around \$26,000 more annually if they were to use the Dryden transfer station.

The Mayor also attended the Solid Waste Meeting. Solid Waste programs were discussed and the proposed amendments to the Chelan County Solid Waste Plan, which is on the agenda for possible action.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Pat Mallody residing on Perry Street received a parking ticket for violating the parking restrictions for snow plowing. His frustration is that the Sheriff's Department is enforcing the parking restrictions when there is no snow. If he is not impeding the plowing they shouldn't be issuing tickets.

Director of Operations Bob Schmidt informed Mr. Mallody that he has addressed the issue with the Sheriff's Department. They will not be issuing citations for the winter parking restrictions if there is no snow.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Mayor Gomes announced that business item #4 needs to be amended to read Ordinance No. 1198 Authorizing the Mayor to execute the First Amendment to the Interlocal Agreement.

MOVED by Councilor Fletcher and seconded by Councilor Wynne to approve the agenda with the correction to item #4. Motion carried.

CONSENT AGENDA

Minutes of January 23, 2012 Special Study Session Meeting

Minutes of January 23, 2012 Regular City Council Meeting

Payroll and Claims Packet Dated February 13, 2012

Claims Check Nos. 31800 through 31850 totaling \$218,134.13

Payroll Check Nos. 31795 through 31799 totaling \$ 93,934.18

MOVED by Councilor Wynne and seconded by Councilor Bryant to approve the items on the consent agenda. Motion carried.

ORDINANCE NO. 1198 AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO EXECUTE THE FIRST AMENDMENT TO INTERLOCAL AGREEMENT REGARDING REGIONAL EVENTS CENTER PUBLIC FACILITIES DISTRICT

Councilor Fletcher stated that he wants it to be clear to the citizens that the City of Cashmere is not imposing a sales tax increase. By amending the Interlocal Agreement the City is simply allowing the Public Facilities District to seek voter approval for a district wide sales tax increase not to exceed 0.1%.

MOVED by Councilor Fletcher and seconded by Councilor Bryant to adopt Ordinance No. 1198 authorizing the Mayor to execute the First Amendment to Interlocal Agreement regarding the regional Events Center Public Facilities District. Motion carried.

CHELAN COUNTY SOLID WASTE MANAGEMENT PLAN AMENDMENT

The proposed amendment addresses the following three issues; recycle rate, a recommendation and requirement regarding transfer and disposal, and unlawful disposal of solid waste.

City Attorney Chuck Zimmerman encouraged the City to request that the Amendment be revised to specifically identify the state law that it refers to and to clearly state that the requirement to use the Dryden Transfer Station specifically does not apply to the City of Cashmere.

MOVED by Councilor Moore and seconded by Councilor Fletcher to table the Chelan County Solid Waste Management Plan Amendment for further information. Motion carried.

SELECTION OF ENGINEER FOR GENERAL ENGINEERING SERVICES FOR 2012

The City received 11 SOQ's for general engineering services. After reviewing the SOQ's staff's recommendation is to select RH2 Engineering, Inc. for general engineering services for 2012. RH2 Engineering has overall experience in water, wastewater and storm water facility design, treatment and planning, as well as traffic and transportation improvements. They also have planners on staff to provide environmental, permitting, geotechnical and hydro geological services.

MOVED by Councilor Wynne and seconded by Councilor Bryant to select RH2 Engineering for general engineering services for 2012 and to continue under the current contract. Motion carried.

SELECTION OF SURVEYOR FOR GENERAL SURVEYING SERVICES FOR 2012

The City received only one SOQ for general surveying services from Fitzpatrick Surveying. Staff's recommendation is to select Fitzpatrick Surveying for general surveying services for 2012.

MOVED by Councilor Moore and seconded by Councilor Fletcher to select Fitzpatrick Surveying for general surveying services for 2012 and to continue under the current contract. Motion carried.

SELECTION OF CONTRACTOR FOR THE DOWNTOWN CANOPY PROJECT

The City received three bids for the downtown canopy project. The highest bid was \$148,000 and the lowest bidder was Mason Roofing and Construction at \$39,200. Staff's recommendation was to select Mason Roofing and Construction as the contractor for the downtown canopy project.

MOVED by Councilor Fletcher and seconded by Councilor Moore to select Mason Roofing and Construction as the contractor for the downtown canopy project. Motion carried.

SMALL PUBLIC WORKS CONSTRUCTION CONTRACT FOR DOWNTOWN CANOPY PROJECT

MOVED by Councilor Moore and seconded by Councilor Wynne to authorize the Mayor to sign the Small Public Works Construction Contract with Mason Roofing and Construction for the downtown canopy project in the amount of \$39,200. Motion carried.

AUTHORIZATION TO ADVERTISE FOR BIDS ON THE WATERLINE TO THE LAGOON PROJECT

The Riverfront Drive water and sewer extension is necessary to provide fire protection and water service to the new wastewater treatment plant. The plan and assumption was that the cost of this project would ultimately be funded by the USDA funding for the new wastewater treatment plant. At this time the USDA funding of the \$660,642 water and wastewater extension is uncertain.

MOVED by Councilor Bryant and seconded by Councilor Fletcher to authorize staff to advertise for bids on the waterline to the lagoon project. Motion carried.

EXECUTIVE SESSION – To discuss potential litigation

Mayor Gomes closed the regular session at 7:48 p.m. to enter into an executive session to discuss potential litigation for approximately thirty minutes. No action will be taken when back in regular session.

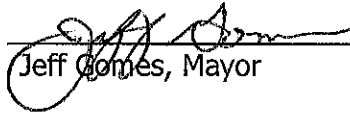
The regular session was reconvened at 8:20 p.m.

Councilor Bryant inquired about the Law Enforcement Contract and where we were at in the process of looking into options.

Mayor Gomes informed that Council that he was meeting with the City of Leavenworth the following day to discuss law enforcement options. Also, Mayor Gomes has met with a resident of Cashmere that worked eleven years with the State Patrol in the contract division. He has volunteered to look over the contract and propose options or changes to possibly reduce law enforcement and jail fees.

ADJOURNMENT

Mayor Gomes adjourned the meeting at 8:30 p.m.



Jeff Gomes, Mayor

Attest: 

Kay Jones, Clerk-Treasurer