

MINUTES OF THE CASHMERE CITY COUNCIL MEETING  
MONDAY AUGUST 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>
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 Botello reported that he has received an Urban Growth Area Amendment request. He will start the amendment process with the Planning Commissioners. The process will take about three months with the Planning Commissioners and then the amendment request will come before the City Council for approval.

Mayor Gomes announced that the Tigner Road project has been delayed until next year's summer break. The goal was to have the project completed this year before school is back in session. Since federal dollars are involved the project plans and specs have to receive federal approval. The approval has taken longer than expected and this late in the year the project cannot be completed before school starts, so the decision was made to postpone.

Also, the Christmas tree in Ardeta Park is dying and needs to be removed. A new tree will be planted in its place.

Director Botello reported that he presented the Railroad Avenue Improvement project grant application at the WVTC meeting that he and Mayor Gomes attended. The City's project cost is \$290,109 grant funds and \$45,277 city match. The total for all of the projects selected to receive grant funding is \$3,833,128 but there is only \$3,609,000 STP funds available. The City's project has been selected and is in the running for final approval. More grant funds would have to become available for all the projects to be funded.

Also, this coming Wednesday Director Botello will be presenting the City's Riverside Park grant application in Olympia.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

MOVED by Councilor Bryant and seconded by Councilor Fletcher to approve the agenda as amended, with the addition of #6 Riverside Park parking. Motion carried.

CONSENT AGENDA

Minutes of July 9, 2012 Regular Study Session Meeting

Minutes of July 23, 2012 Regular Council Meeting

Minutes of July 30, 2012 Special Joint Study Session Meeting

Payroll and Claims Packet Dated August 13, 2012

Claims Check No. 32321, 32353 and 32388 through 32447 totaling \$355,549.77

Payroll check No. 32354 through 32383 totaling \$114,714.30

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

RESOLUTION NO. 06-2012 PETITION TO VACATE A PORTION OF RIVER STREET

A small portion of undeveloped right-of-way remains after the re-alignment and installation of the new River Street and Sunset Highway project. This small portion of right-of-way is approximately 600 square feet in size. Crunch Pak has offered to purchase this property for \$900 and they will pay for all the applicable survey, legal description and recording fees.

City staff utilized the same valuation process that was used for the River Street and Sunset Highway vacation process last year. City staff is recommending approval of the petition to vacate a portion of River Street.

MOVED by Councilor Fletcher and seconded by Councilor Knutsen to approve Resolution No. 06-2012 petition to vacate a portion of River Street. Motion carried.

GENERAL ANNEXATION DISCUSSION

City Attorney Chuck Zimmerman and Director Mark Botello discussed the need for addressing the following matters before the City receives an annexation application: water rights, no protest to annexation policy and regional wastewater.

Ann Chipman withdrew her request for annexation and will submit an annexation application when the City has addressed these issues.

The City needs to revisit CMC 13.10.020 Water connection outside city limits prohibited. Currently city code states; no new water lines and no new water service connections or water utility services shall be allowed, approved or extended outside the city limits of Cashmere, unless approved by the Cashmere City Council after sufficient additional water rights have been transferred to the City to serve and support all potential uses of the real property to which the water service is to be connected. Since the City now has additional water available this section needs to be amended. Director Botello likes how the City of Chelan's code reads.

The City needs to look at putting a "no protest to annexation policy" in place. If the city extends utilities to property outside the limits of the City the property owner would be required to sign a no protest to annexation. The purpose is that if the city has extended utilities the owner cannot protest if the city wants to annex the property anytime in the future.

The City needs to revisit the idea of regional wastewater; are they interested in looking at and discussing options for accepting wastewater from the Peshastin and Dryden area.

Director Botello will work with Attorney Chuck Zimmerman to draft an amendment to city code for the council to discuss at a study session.

CHANGE ORDER NO. 3 TO RIVERFRONT DRIVE WATER AND SEWER EXTENSION PROJECT

The change order is due to finding the old abandoned sewer main along lagoon cell #1 further into the roadway than anticipated. The line was also still full of water and after closing a valve that was found open still had some water flow. So the two new wastewater lines were installed further into the roadway. Thus more asphalt grinding, gravel resurfacing, and asphalt repair. This change order also includes a repair of a sunken piece of asphalt near the City lift station that was caused by natural ground water. The cost of change order #3 is \$13,132.07

MOVED by Councilor Fletcher and seconded by Councilor Moore to approve Change Order No. 3 to Riverfront Drive Water and Sewer Extension project in the amount of \$13,132.07. Motion carried.

CHANGE ORDER NO. 4 TO RIVERFRONT DRIVE WATER AND SEWER EXTENSION PROJECT

The Change order is due to finding the old abandoned sewer main along lagoon cell #1 further into the roadway than anticipated and extending North into the intersection where the two existing wastewater mains needed to be connected and extended. Because of the interference of the old steel line the connections needed to be re-designed requiring additional time, fittings and backfill. The cost of change order #4 is \$8,528.19.

MOVED by Councilor Fletcher and seconded by Councilor Knutsen to approve Change Order No. 4 to the Riverfront Drive Water and Sewer Extension project in the amount of \$8,528.19. Motion carried.

CHARTER FRANCHISE EXTENSION AGREEMENT

MOVED by Councilor Fletcher and seconded by Councilor Wynne to approve the Charter Franchise Extension Agreement with a month to month term. Motion carried.

RIVERSIDE PARK PARKING

Councilor Bryant passed around pictures of the street parking at Riverside Park during soccer games. People are parking along the street for closer access and to watch the game from their cars, instead of using the parking lot. Cars are parking in front of the fire hydrants, sometimes blocking driveways and parking on residents' lawns. This is creating quite a problem for the residents along Riverside Drive. If the City were to post no parking signs the residents on Riverside Drive wouldn't be able to park in front of their homes, which a majority of them do.

Part of the problem is it's hard to tell where the right-of-way ends and the private property begins. Some property owners have improved the right-of-way or made a place to park their car, but it's still street parking. Law Enforcement can't get involved unless cars are parked in a no parking zone. Otherwise street parking is for everyone.

City Attorney Chuck Zimmerman suggested self policing. The City should contact the leagues and have them inform the participants and the spectators to use the parking lot instead of parking on the street.

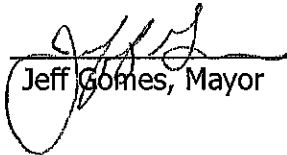
PROGRESS REPORTS

Director Bob Schmidt reported that wastewater cell #2 is cleaned out; all of the weeds and bushes have been removed and now they will start screening sludge.

Director Mark Botello reported that he has issued Crunch Pak a temporary 60 day occupancy permit for the new building expansion.

ADJOURNMENT

Mayor Gomes adjourned the meeting at 8:08 p.m.

  
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Jeff Gomes, Mayor

Attest:   
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Kay Jones, Clerk-Treasurer