

January 12, 2005

Mayor Bonnie House called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. Council Members present were Bob Fateley, Wayne Lehrman, George Webster and Dave Freels.

Minutes were approved as sent for 12/08/04 & 12/16/04.

Vouchers audited and certified by the auditing officer as required by RCW 42.24.080, and those expense reimbursement claims certified as required by RCW 42.24.090, have been recorded on a listing, which has been made available to the City Council.

As of this date 01/12/05 the Council, by a majority vote, does approve for payment those vouchers included in the voucher payment list and further described as follows: Claims Fund voucher numbers 37912 through 38000 in the total amount of \$95,335.01. Payroll Fund voucher numbers 21810 through 21818 and 21829 through 21858 in the total amount of \$59,426.45.

PLANNING COMMISSION APPOINTMENT

Mayor House re-appointed Roger Erlandsen to Position #1 of the Brewster Planning Commission for the term of 01/01/05 through 12/31/06. Council was in agreement.

SENIOR CITIZEN CENTER DONATION

Mayor House read into record a letter from Okanogan County Transportation and Nutrition Program Executive Director Leanne Leifer, in regards to a support fee for their program that benefits local senior citizens. City Clerk Pam Olsen pointed out to the council that they had donated \$2,000 to our local Senior Center in the past and have left it up to them how to distribute the money. Council discussed the issue in regards to the present financial shape of the City and declined the request. Council Member Webster suggested that if the seniors had a specific project they needed money for then they could come to a council meeting with a new proposal.

RESOLUTION #05-01 – REGARDING THE DEVELOPMENT OF A LOCAL IMPROVEMENT DISTRICT FOR THE MAIN AVENUE STREET PROJECT

Mayor House discussed Resolution #05-01 regarding the development of a Local Improvement District (LID) for the Main Avenue Street Project. City Clerk Olsen explained the purpose of this resolution was to set a public hearing date of February 2, 2005 at 6:00 p.m. to hear public discussion on the issue of developing a LID. Olsen stated that notices and individual property owner's assessments were figured and ready to be mailed out.

MOTION:

Council Member Webster moved to approve Resolution #05-01 as presented. Seconded by Council Member Fateley. Motion carried unanimously.

FERRY COUNTY CORRECTIONS CORRESPONDENCE

Mayor House read into record a letter from the Ferry County Corrections Facility regarding their jail facilities and the availability of space. Shane O. Grimm, Superintendent of the

Ferry County Corrections Facility, enclosed a proposed inter-local agreement that includes issues such as transportation and costs.

PUBLIC HEARING – ORDINANCE #764 – ADOPTING FINDINGS OF FACT TO JUSTIFY THE CONTINUED SIX MONTH MORATORIUM REGARDING WIRELESS TELECOMMUNICATION FACILITIES

Mayor House opened the public hearing to discuss Ordinance #764 adopting findings of fact to justify the continued six month moratorium regarding wireless telecommunications facilities.

Public Works Director Mike Shenyer discussed the proposal to place a wireless telecommunications tower in a residential area within the City limits of Brewster. Shenyer explained that the passage of this Ordinance would allow the Brewster Planning Commission the time needed to develop regulations for the placement of towers in Brewster.

Bob Lam, Business Manager for Millennium Digital Media, was present to discuss the reasons for wanting to place the tower in the proposed location. Mr. Lam explained that this tower will provide high speed data to those who now do not have the capability of getting it. The proposed tower would be located on the hill side below the property owned by Tom Thornsberry on Riverview Heights and will reach customers as far away as the Bridgeport Bar and Pateros. Mr. Lam explained that Millennium Digital Media is looking for ways to diversify their business because of competition and declining revenues.

MOTION:

Council Member Webster moved to approve Ordinance #764 as presented with the stipulation that the Planning Commission comes back within five weeks with a recommendation for the council. Seconded by Council Member Lehrman. Motion carried unanimously.

ORDINANCE # 765 – REPEALING CHAPTER 13.12 RELATED TO CABLE TV FRANCHISES

Mayor House discussed Ordinance #765 repealing Chapter 13.12 of the Brewster Municipal Code related to Cable TV Franchises. Public Works Director Shenyer explained to council that Chapter 13.12 was outdated and had been superseded by newer regulations in regards to cable franchises.

MOTION:

Council Member Freels moved to approve Ordinance #765 as presented. Seconded by Council Member Lehrman. Motion carried unanimously.

ORDINANCE #766 – AMENDING PROVISIONS RELATED TO FENCES, WALLS, HEDGES AND CLEAR VISION REQUIREMENTS

Public Works Director Shenyer discussed Ordinance #766 amending provisions related to fences, walls, hedges and clear vision requirements. Shenyer explained that this portion of the Brewster Municipal Code was reviewed by the Brewster Planning Commission and that

Ordinance #766 was the Planning Commission's recommendation to the council to update the code.

MOTION:

Council Member Lehrman moved to approve Ordinance #766 as presented. Seconded by Council Member Webster. Motion carried unanimously.

EXECUTIVE SESSION – APPROXIMATELY 10 MINUTES TO DISCUSS PERSONNEL

Mayor House adjourned into executive session for approximately 10 minutes to discuss personnel at 7:46 p.m.

Mayor House reconvened into regular session at 7:56 p.m.

No action was taken.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to come before the Council the meeting was adjourned.