

June 8, 2005

Mayor Bonnie House called the meeting to order at 5:00 p.m. Council Members present were Bob Fateley, Wayne Lehrman, and Dave Freels.

Minutes were approved as sent for 05/11/05 and 06/02/05.

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 06/08/05 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 38294 through 38377 in the total amount of \$111,455.33 Payroll Fund voucher numbers 21965 through 21997 in the total amount of \$57,982.76.

EXECUTIVE SESSION – APPROXIMATELY 60 MINUTES TO DISCUSS PERSONNEL

Mayor House adjourned into executive session for approximately 60 minutes to discuss personnel at 5:00 p.m.

Mayor House reconvened into regular session at 6:00 p.m.

There was no action taken.

DOUGLAS AVENUE NEIGHBORHOOD PROBLEMS

Gabriel Ledesma was present to discuss problems near his home on Douglas Avenue. Ledesma stated that his neighbor has been parking his vehicle close to his driveway obstructing visibility of oncoming traffic while he is attempting to pull out. Interim Police Chief Ron Oules reported that he had checked out the complaint and found that three residences share the same driveway and that Ledesma's view is limited but not totally obstructed by the neighbor parking there. Mayor House suggested that a violation notice be sent out to ratify the situation.

Mr. Ledesma thanked Interim Chief Oules for responding.

KIWANIS – SALE OF FIREWORKS

Mayor House read into record a letter from Ron Paslay, Brewster Kiwanis Representative, asking permission to sell fireworks as a fund raiser again this year.

MOTION:

Council Member Fateley moved to allow the Brewster Kiwanis to sell fireworks between July 1, 2005 and July 4, 2005 contingent on fire conditions and requiring them to work with the Brewster Fire Department and Police Departments on safety issues. Motion seconded by Council Member Lehrman and passed unanimously.

PTA SWIM FUND RAISER

Lee Webster was present to discuss a fund raiser to be held in August for the Brewster PTA called Back to School Splash. Webster asked if the Mayor and Council would consider waiving the pool rental fee for the fund raiser.

MOTION:

Council Member Fateley moved to waive the pool rental fee for the Brewster PTA Back to School Splash and asked that Lee Webster work with Pool Manager Gary Knowlton on the availability of the pool. The motion was seconded by Council Member Lehrman and passed unanimously.

GARBAGE RATES/CONTRACT AMENDMENT

Jim Gotti, owner of Sunrise Disposal and Dick Howe, manager of Sunrise Disposal were present to discuss a cost of living raise and a contract amendment. Gotti requested a 2% cost of living raise starting July 1, 2005 pointing out that the average Consumer Price Index (CPI) as of April 2005 was 3.5%. Gotti stated that this raise would primarily cover the rising cost of fuel.

Mr. Gotti requested that a contact amendment be added to the current Sunrise Disposal/City of Brewster contract. The addition would read as follows: "All cans and carts shall be kept in a sanitary condition with the outsides thereof clean and free from accumulated grease and decomposing material."

MOTION:

Council Member Lehrman moved to approve the 2% cost of living raise requested by Sunrise Disposal for disposal of garbage and the contract amendment stating "All cans and carts shall be kept in a sanitary condition with the outsides thereof clean and free from accumulated grease and decomposing material." The motion was seconded by Council Member Fateley and passed unanimously.

WASHINGTON STATE ASSOCIATION OF MUNICIPAL ATTORNEY'S (WSAMA) RECOGNITION

Mayor House read into record a letter from Pat Mason, Municipal Research Service Center (MRSC) Attorney and WSAMA Secretary, recognizing City Attorney Chuck Zimmerman for his outstanding contributions as President of WSAMA 2004-2005.

AIRPORT PROJECT – DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION AVIATION AGREEMENTS

Public Works Director Mike Shenyer reported that the bids for the Anderson Field Airport were opened on June 9, 2005 and that Basin Asphalt is the apparent low bidder.

Shenyer stated that the Washington State Department of Transportation Aviation Division will be serving as the middleman between the City of Brewster and the Federal Aviation Agency (FAA). The City will submit all statements to the State for payment. An agreement for this process must be set up and signed by Mayor House as soon as possible.

MOTION:

Council Member Freels moved to authorize Mayor House to sign the necessary agreements with the Washington State Department of Transportation Aviation Division for the Anderson Field construction project. The motion was seconded by Council Member Lehrman and passed unanimously.

MAIN AVENUE PROJECT UPDATE

Public Works Director Shenyer reported to council that a Main Avenue pre-construction meeting would be held on July 9, 2005 at 2:30 p.m. at City Hall to kick off the project and that a meeting was scheduled at 6:00 p.m. later that day at the Community Center for the engineers, contractors and business owners to discuss issues.

COMMUNITY CENTER MAINTENANCE

Public Works Director Shenyer reported to council that the heating/cooling compressor at the Columbia Cove Community Center had gone out for the third time. Shenyer stated that he contacted Mike with Cascade Mechanical to figure out why the compressor keeps going out. It was determined that the design of the duct work is too small for the compressor and that is why we have experienced so many breakdowns. Shenyer reported that it would cost approximately \$7,000 to have the duct work replaced. Shenyer asked councils permission to use \$7,000 from the Capital Improvement Fund to have the repairs done.

Council Member Fateley asked if the architect could be held accountable and Shenyer stated that it has been a long time since construction of the community center and the architect and the City did not part on good terms due to other structural issues. Council Member Fateley then suggested that Shenyer check with our insurance company to see if it is covered.

MOTION:

Council Member Lehrman moved to approve the repair of the compressor at the Columbia Cove Community Center and to use \$7,000 from the Capital Improvement Fund in the interim with the stipulation that Public Works Director Shenyer contact the insurance company to see if the compressor is covered. The motion was seconded by Council Member Freels and passed unanimously.

POLICE DEPARTMENT UPDATE

Interim Police Chief Oules passed out stats and explained that he had simplified the stats for the following reasons: Too labor intensive for office staff to prepare; more reader friendly and it takes less time for the officers giving them more time on the streets. Mayor House and the Council agreed that the new format was easier to read. Oules commended his officers and office staff for their recent performances and reported that moral is good overall in the Police Department.

Oules reported that overtime was down considerably from previous months. Mayor House commended Oules on his hard work.

Oules discussed the purchase of camera cases and fingerprint cases to protect equipment in the patrol cars. Oules asked permission to purchase 4 hard camera cases and 4 tackle boxes for fingerprinting supplies at a total approximate cost to the department of \$250.00. Mayor House and Council approved the expenditure for the 8 equipment cases needed.

Oules discussed the cost of tires for the patrol cars. Oules stated that the bid he received from Mac's Tires in Okanogan was considerably less than the bid he received from Les Schwab. Oules confirmed from personal use that the tires from Mac's Tires were as good or better quality as Les Schwab. Oules also did some checking on the maintenance of the tires and reported that the Brewster Car Care would do tire rotation for \$10.00 per rotation per car. Mayor House and the Council agreed that Oules had done a great job gathering information and approved the expenditure for any future tires to be purchased through Mac's Tires.

EXECUTIVE SESSION – APPROXIMATELY 15 MINUTES TO DISCUSS PROPERTY

Mayor House adjourned into executive session for approximately 15 minutes to discuss property at 7:15 p.m.

Mayor House reconvened into regular session at 7:30 p.m.

There was no action taken.

ADJOURNMENT

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