

Pro Term Mayor Bob Fateley called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. Council Members present were Art Smyth, Kris Dawson, Jerry Tretwold, and Dave Freels. Also present were Public Works Director JD Smith and Lieutenant Kelly Hook. Finance Director Pamela Olsen and Deputy Clerk Desha Dawson were absent.

The minutes for this meeting were taken by Administrative Assistant Sandra Miranda.

Council Member Dave Freels moved to approve the minutes for 04/09/2008 as sent. The motion was seconded by Council Member Art Smyth and passed unanimously.

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 05/14/2008 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 #41609 through #41687 in the total amount of \$191,874.29. Payroll Fund voucher numbers #10935 through # 10981 in the total amount of \$76,833.29.

OTHER BUSINESS

CHRIS BRANCH – OKANOGAN TRAILS SCENIC BYWAY’S PROJECT:

Chris Branch came to present the Okanogan Trails Scenic Byway’s Project. In 2004 highway 97 from Pateros to the border was designated the Scenic Byway’s project.

MAYOR WEBSTER

No Updates.

PUBLIC WORKS DIRECTOR - J.D. SMITH

MONTHLY PLANNING COMMISSION REPORT:

The cities of Brewster and Pateros met at Pateros City Hall Monday May 12th, 2008 to establish a boundary line between both towns. They will meet again in August, 2008 for further discussion.

AIRPORT REPORT:

JD Smith resigned as Chairman of the Airport Commission. New elected chairman is Dan Smith. The Department of Ecology called and asked that the City keep the lagoon. JD Smith will like to ask the Department of Ecology for funds to improve it. The Planning Commission would like to invite Mike Chapman to discuss this matter.

DOUG CHANTRY & JOHN PARISEAU: MAIN STREET PROJECT

Doug Chantry and John Pariseau were not able to come to the meeting, Mac Gebbers came to represent them. He brought the map with the questions that they had. JD Smith will review this issue with Mac Gebbers.

CRACK SEALING CITY STREETS

The County is chip sealing highway 17 and 173. They have offered to do some of our Streets like 7th St but they can only repair 3 blocks of it. JD Smith does not think that it would be good to chip seal them before repairing the cracks.

Dave Freels motioned to use \$1920.00 out of Capital Improvements and Art Smyth seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously to repair the cracks on the street before they are chip sealed.

JAIL FEES – JERRY TRETWOLD

The Jail fees documents from Michael Howe were given to Bob Fateley and he requested that copies be made for all Council members, City Clerk Pam Olsen, Police chief Ron Oules and Public Works Director JD Smith.

For the year 2005 fees were paid. We may have a credit after our audit and “could” get some of this money back. We had paid \$34,000 in 2005. The jail fees doubled for 2006. We have paid \$30,000 of the \$64,000 balance for 2006 and we owe approximately \$34,000, according to Finance Director Pamela Olsen. For the year 2007 fees have not been billed yet, but it will more than likely be the same amount as 2006.

Councilmember Tretwold mentioned that all the cities are having the same problems that we have with the jail fees.

We did not budget for this in 2008 and also we did not include this under the reserve fund. We need to designate a council member to follow up on this and find out what is going on. Dave Freels would like to see the council take care of it.

It should be the responsibility of the Police Chief and also Dave Freels is a Police commission member.

Councilmember Tretwold would like Dave Freels to be the representative for Brewster. Councilmember Tretwold motioned to accept Dave Freels, motion seconded by Kris Dawson, motion passed unanimously.

Councilmember Tretwold wants to find out how is the city going to pay for this.

He suggested that the council members meet with the Departments Heads to discuss the jail fees. We need the current budget amounts to review this.

Bob Fateley mentioned that for next year budget 2009 we will have to create a fund for this or put money away.

Councilmember Dave Freels will talk to Lee Webster and then to Chief Ron Oules, he would also like all the cities to get together on this.

OTHER

Chlorine Tablets for the swimming pool have been ordered in bulk the total cost is \$2,011.00 for next month.

LIEUTENANT - KELLY HOOK

POLICE DEPARTMENT UPDATE:

Numbers are a little up due to days being longer. Vandalism around the park has decreased due to cameras being installed.

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STATS:

Overtime is fifteen hours for last month, seven hours are going to be reimbursed from the Car Safety Commission.

PUBLIC COMMENT:

Rosa Garcia came to the council meeting because she bought a house in 1993. They built a garage and it is not allowed to have people living in it. But they did have the inspector go through it and check it out but they do not have any papers to prove it. Rosa will come to City Hall to meet with JD Smith and Sandra Miranda after Memorial Day holiday to discuss this and see if we have any documentation.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to come before the Council the meeting was adjourned at 7:30 p.m.

Mayor Lee Webster

ATTEST:

City Clerk/Finance Director Pamela Olsen, MMC