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

Minutes were approved as sent for 07/09/03.

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 09/10/03 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 35978 through 36074 in the total amount of $386,301.41 Payroll Fund voucher numbers 21056 through 21116 in the total amount of $62,945.65.

APPLE AVENUE WELCOME SIGNS

Mayor House read into record a letter from Brewster Chamber of Commerce President Dan White regarding the Apple Avenue welcome signs. Mr. White was requesting from council a portion of the hotel/motel tax money to repair the signs. Council Member Dewey stated that when he, as chamber president, had asked about repairs to the signs none of the original donors were willing to help out financially. Council Member Fateley stated that he would like to see a plan, including costs, of the proposed work to be done on the signs. Council agreed to discuss this issue when a representative from the Chamber could be present.

CHUCK DRAKE AIRPORT LEASE

Chuck Drake was present to discuss the water issue at his airplane hangar at the Anderson Airport. Mr. Drake explained that initially he had come to council with a plan to start an agricultural business in his hangar that would require an increased volume of water. Council agreed that we would provide water to the business but that the water would be metered and Mr. Drake would be charged in accordance to our city ordinance. Mr. Drake explained to council that the business venture that he was working on was on hold and that he was concerned about signing a new five (5) year lease because of the way the current lease read regarding the metering of water. Mr. Drake requested from the council to keep his water situation as is until such time as he starts a business. Council agreed to refrain from metering Mr. Drake’s hangar, while he is using it for storage, with the verbal agreement that if a business is started or if the city meters all other properties at the airport then a meter will be installed.

SUNRISE DISPOSAL – GARBAGE RATE COST OF LIVING INCREASE

City Clerk Pam Olsen discussed a request made by Jim Gotti, owner of Sunrise Disposal, for a 2% cost of living raise for garbage services to begin with the October 2003 utility billing. Olsen stated that there was no raise requested for the year of 2002.
MOTION:

Council Member Webster moved to accept a request from Sunrise Disposal for a 2% cost of living increase for garbage services in accordance with the Consumer Price Index and under section 7.2 of our current contract. Seconded by Council Member Lehrman. Motion carried unanimously.

PUBLIC HEARING/RESOLUTION #03-06 – ADOPTING THE SIX YEAR STREET PLAN

Mayor House opened the public hearing regarding Resolution #03-06 adopting the Six Year Transportation Improvement Program. Public Works Director Mike Shenyer explained to the council that each project appears in the order of necessity. Mayor House closed the public hearing. There was no public input.

MOTION:

Council Member Lehrman moved to approve Resolution #03-06 as presented. Seconded by Council Member Dewey. Motion carried unanimously.

RESOLUTION #03-07 – REGARDING THE STOUT STREET VACATION

Public Works Director Shenyer discussed Resolution #03-07 regarding a proposed street vacation adjacent to Dr. LuWayne Stout’s property at 11 Hospital Way. Shenyer explained that Dr. Stout had a survey done several years ago and on good faith landscaped what he believed to be his property. During the street construction on Hospital Way the error was found. Shenyer stated he recommends to the council that they consider the street vacation. Shenyer explained to the council that according to Section 12.28.080 of the Brewster Municipal Code regarding compensation for street vacations, the city can collect up to half of the value of the property to be vacated.

MOTION:

Council Member Fateley moved to require Dr. LuWayne Stout to pay the City half of the actual value of the proposed vacated property. Seconded by Council Member Lehrman. Motion carried unanimously.

MOTION:

Council Member Freels moved to approve Resolution #03-07 as presented. Seconded by Council Member Dewey. Motion carried unanimously.

AIRPORT UPDATE

Council Member Dewey reported that he and Council Member Webster met on Monday, September 8, 2003 at the Anderson Airfield to monitor the progress of the grounds cleanup. Council Member Dewey stated that they were happy with the progress and that they now intended on working on a job description for the airport manager and possibly obtaining irrigation for beatification purposes. Council Member Webster suggested we try to obtain grant funds to resurface the tarmac. Public Works Director Shenyer stated that he is currently working on developing an airport check list which he will then work from to write an overall airport security plan. Shenyer also announced to the Council that he plans to
investigate which of the aircrafts currently using the tie downs are being repaired and which are being stored there and charge the owners accordingly. Council agreed that our next steps would be to develop a manager's job description and to pursue the tie down issue.

**PARKING ISSUE**

Council Member Webster discussed the parking issue regarding the parking spaces used by city employees on the west side of 3rd Street near the Los Camperos Restaurant. Webster explained to council that currently city employees use three parking spaces during working hours and the restaurant owner feels that it is interfering with parking for his patrons. Council Member Dewey stated that he felt that the parking lot across the street where the IOOF Building used to be should be used for employee parking. Mayor House stated that she would discuss the issue directly with the affected employees.

**EXECUTIVE SESSION – APPROXIMATELY 10 MINUTES TO DISCUSS PERSONNEL**

Mayor House adjourned into Executive Session for approximately 10 minutes to discuss personnel at

7:00 p.m.

Mayor House reconvened into regular session at 7:10 p.m.

**UNION NEGOTIATIONS**

Council Member Fateley discussed union negotiations in regards to a wage increase for 2003.

**MOTION:**

Council Member Freels moved to give the Public Works employees, Support Staff and Department Heads a 3% cost of living increase, retro-active to 01/01/03. Seconded by Council Member Dewey. Motion carried unanimously.

**ADJOURNMENT**

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