Mayor Lee Webster called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. Council Members present were Kris Dawson, Bob Fateley, John Scheller and Art Smyth. Council Member Dan Smith was absent (excused). A quorum was present. Also present were Public Works Director Smith, Police Chief Ron Oules, Finance Director Pamela Olsen and Deputy Clerk Desha Dawson.

Council Member Smyth moved to approve the minutes from the Regular City Council Meeting on 05/12/2010 as submitted, and the minutes from the Special City Council Meeting on 05/21/2010, as submitted. The motion was seconded by Council Member Dawson 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 06/09/10 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 #43628 through #43700, (void check #43667 for $62,663.09 reissued with check #43700 for $60,000.00) in the total amount of $240,631.35. Payroll Fund voucher numbers #12076 through #12127 in the total amount of $87,341.87.

ADDITIONS/CHANGES TO THE AGENDA:

Mayor Webster asked to remove the BLA for the Elsner property from the agenda, and add the Highland Associates contract addendum.

MOTION: Council Member Fateley made the motion to approve the additions and changes to the June 9th final agenda. Council Member Scheller seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously.

PUBLIC COMMENT:

GILLIAN DIGUILIO – RIO THEATRE PROPOSAL:

Ms. Diguilio presented to Council with an idea for the Brewster Rio Theatre that she is hoping to get their help and input on. She had recently approached Dr. Linda Niehaus about possible renting the Rio Theatre (which recently closed and is for sale). Ms. Diguilio would like to open this as a Recreation Center, possibly showing movies and holding events, with Spanish speaking events and movies being the main focus. She states that she believes there is a need for Spanish based events and movies in this area, given the population base in our area. She stated that Ms. Niehaus was not particularly interested in renting, but may consider it if the City were to be the lease/renter and assume liability for it. Ms. Diguilio also thought that maybe this facility could be an extension of the current City owned Recreation Center, if the City decided to enter an agreement to lease with Niehaus.

Council Member Dawson stated as much as she would like to see the Theatre re-open, she does not believe the City can assume that liability. Mayor Webster stated that the City cannot enter into a private business agreement, as this would be. Council Member Fateley stated that the City is currently cutting programs and trying to find ways to save money, and even if we could enter into an agreement like this, we cannot afford it at this time.
Council Member Fateley stated he appreciates her interest and enthusiasm. The City is not in a position to help her at this time, but he, as a business owner, would be more than happy to meet with Ms. Diguilio and help her set up a business plan, run some projections, and help her get a proposal set up to present to Ms. Niehaus that may allow her to lease this facility own her own. Ms. Diguilio thanked the Council for their time and she will be contacted Council Member Fateley to go over her ideas at as later date.

YURI MORALES – CENSUS UPDATE:

Ms. Morales stated that the Census Bureau is currently in the process of doing follow-up on the non-response to the Census questionnaires. The Census group will be going door to door in June and July to encourage and help people fill out the Census forms. Mayor Webster asked Ms. Morales how the Census is doing overall for our area. She stated that the numbers are okay, but they are still doing follow-up visits with people in our area and hope the participation numbers will increase by doing this.

Ms. Morales also warned that there are some individuals who are posing as Census workers who are going door to door trying to get information from them. She urged everyone to be cautious and ask for appropriate identification. They can also call the Census Bureau for confirmation.

PIT BULL ORDINANCE:

Mayor Webster stated there is a family on Bridge Street who have a Pit Bull dog. The people have been contacted by Officer Cariker. The family would like to keep this dog, as it has been their pet for a few years. The family was unable to attend the Council meeting this evening, and had asked Mayor Webster to present their request to Council.

The Council members present unanimously agreed that there is an Ordinance in place, and unfortunately, this Ordinance clearly states that Pit Bulls are not allowed in the City limits. The request to allow them to keep the dog in the City limits is denied.

MAYOR WEBSTER:

SUNRISE DISPOSAL CONTRACT / ORDINANCE NO. 828:

The current 10-year contract with Sunrise Disposal for City garbage collection is set to expire in June of 2010. Previously, Council Member Fateley and Council Member Smyth met with Jim Gotti, President of Sunrise Disposal, to discuss contract renewal. It was agreed by all that the current contract could be used. Mayor Webster had City Attorney Chuck Zimmerman review the contract, with a few changes being made with respect to mandatory collection; recycling; service area; annexation and fuel surcharges.

Mr. Gotti stated that this is the second year in a row that Sunrise has not requested increases in their rates. The only request they have is a temporary fuel surcharge, if the fuel prices are go up significantly enough to impact their services. Mr. Gotti also stated that he had no problems with the changes made by the City to the new contract, specifically the recycling. Co-mingled recycling could be a possibility in the future and he is in favor of this.
Mayor Webster stated that the City has been more than pleased with the service that Sunrise Disposal provides and looks forward to entering into another contract agreement for garbage collection services for the City of Brewster.

MOTION: Council Member Smyth made the motion to approve the new Sunrise Disposal Agreement, and to approve Ordinance No. 828, granting Sunrise Disposal Inc. a non-exclusive license to collect, transport and dispose of solid waste generated within the City limits of Brewster. Council Member Fateley seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously.

PUBLIC HEARING – TITLE 17 AMENDMENTS REGARDING: LAND USE, TRANSPORTATION AND MAPS, ORDINANCE NO. 829:

Mayor Webster announced that the Public Hearing for the Title 17 Amendments regarding Transportation and Land Use Elements and Maps was now open. No one present expressed an interest, comment or concern. Public Works Director Smith then gave the Staff Report.

Dave Smith stated he would like Section 18.03 to reflect “aviation related business or aviation related commercial uses” as well. Mayor Webster noted that this is addressed under the “airport industrial” section, but Kurt Danison, City Planner, stated that it does not hurt to be more explicit on this subject and by adding it in both areas, it will cover the bases and “hammer the point” in so there are no questions.

After no further discussion was brought forth, Mayor Webster declared the Public Hearing closed.

MOTION: Council Member Smyth made the motion to approve Ordinance No 829, with the above change/verbiage change to be made by Kurt Danison, to the Title 17 amendments. Council Member Fateley seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously.

Mr. Danison stated that the County would like a copy of the adopted plan, which they will honor. Highland & Associates (Kurt Danison) will present the final with a resolution for the next regularly scheduled City Council Meeting.

PUBLIC HEARING – DCPUD, WELLS DAM RECREATION IMPROVEMENTS, PROJECT NO. 20082049:

Mayor Webster announced that the Public Hearing for the DCPUD Wells Dam Recreation Improvements (Columbia Cove Park improvements) was now open. Council Member Scheller asked to be excused from the discussion and vote due to a conflict of interest (he is employed by Wells Dam). No one else present expressed an interest, comment or concern. Public Works Director Smith presented the Staff Report. The only recommendation presented was that of the DOE, asking that during this project, we consider the use of recycled products.

Presented today for review and approval is the 2nd Phase of the project, which is the in-water projects. The 2st Phase projects are the out of water, which will begin soon. At this time, Public Works Director Smith stated that Council needs to make a motion to authorize the Substantial Shoreline Development Permit.
MOTION: Council Member Smyth made the motion to issue the Substantial Shoreline Development Permit for the DCPUD, Wells Dam Recreation Improvements at the Columbia Cove Park, Project No. 20082049. The motion was seconded by Council Member Dawson and the motion passed with Council Member Smyth, Council Member Dawson and Council Member Fateley in favor (majority). Council Member Scheller abstained from the vote.

HIGHLAND & ASSOCIATES CONTRACT ADDENDUMS:

Kurt Danison reviewed the Highland contract addendums, which includes Supplements #1 and #2. These supplements to the contract refer to the Shoreline Master Program, which are addendums to the original contract.

Mr. Danison stated that the work is being completed, and resolution of intent to adopt will be required. There is a Public Hearing scheduled for July, and if the Planning Commission is comfortable with the changes, it will then be presented to Council. All work being done needs to be reviewed and approved, as what we will be submitting will be going to the State.

Mr. Danison also encouraged the City to inquire about Grant monies available to cover the some of the administrative fees associated with the Shoreline Master Program updates. We may be able to bill for Public Works Director Smith and Administrative Assistant Sandra Miranda’s time spent working on the project. The time line to submit for reimbursement runs out soon, so he strongly urged us to check into this as soon as possible.

MOTION: Council Member Scheller made the motion to approve the Highland & Associates supplemental addendums. Council Member Fateley seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously.

FINANCE DIRECTOR PAMELA OLSEN:

MONTHLY FINANCE REPORT:

Finance Director Pamela Olsen presented the Monthly Treasurers report. Council Member Dawson asked why some funds are still in the red. Finance Director Pamela Olsen stated that there are still monies left to come in, but in years past these funds have been in the black by this time of year. Finance Director Pamela Olsen stated that when she spoke with Rose Running, who she is working with on the USDA Grants for the Service Vehicle and PD vehicle, Ms. Running stated that we are the poorest City she has worked with.

Council Member Dawson asked if we should think about making cuts. Mayor stated that he believes we are doing just fine and that there are areas where we can make money saving improvements. We do have monies coming to us, however, such as the M&O money.

Public Works Director Smith stated that we are currently undergoing a rate study, which is going over our water and sewer rates. These rates will more than likely increase depending on the results of the rate study.
Council Member Dawson asked Finance Director Pamela Olsen where she thinks we can find areas to save money in. Finance Director Pamela Olsen stated she thinks one way to save would be for the City to allow our local Fire Department to be annexed in with the District. This would take the Fire Department out of the City budget, and they would then become part of the District. Mayor Webster stated that we would definitely need to find out how this would affect the City and how our citizens would be taxed. He also stated that this is one idea of a way to save, however, if further discussion is desired regarding this idea, we should include Fire Chief Mike Webster. Council Member Fateley stated he believes we need to look at all areas, all departments, to find ways to save money.

COUNCIL DATE CHANGE:

Finance Director Pamela Olsen presented to Council the idea of changing the regularly scheduled City Council Meeting date from the second Wednesday of each month to the third Wednesday of each month. She stated that with the schedules, the way the accounts payable is received, and to allow her more time to get the Monthly Treasurers report completed, this date change would be more agreeable.

Council was agreeable to this. Finance Director Pamela Olsen will have the Ordinance ready for the July Regular City Council meeting, with the effective date for meeting on the third Wednesday of each month taking effect on August 18, 2010.

CITY WEBPAGE:

Finance Director Pamela Olsen presented Council with a cost comparison of what it would cost to have Darryl Shenyer, the current webmaster for the City of Brewster, and Darren Moore, Building Inspector, to maintain the webpage. Darren is a full-time City employee; Darryl works part-time with no benefits, just an hourly wage.

It had been requested previously by Council that Darren be the one to maintain and service the City website. At this time, after talking with both Darren and Darryl, Finance Director Pamela Olsen believes it would be more cost effective to have Darryl continue to maintain the website, as Darren does not have the time with his current job. Also, Darryl knows the program and has been taking care of the City Website for the past three years.

Council Member Fateley stated that if Darryl is just an hourly wage, no benefits, then it is a “no brainer”. He does not believe it is cost effective to pay Darren, Building Inspector/Code Enforcement, to maintain the webpage.

Mayor Webster stated that Darryl can continue to maintain the City website, working 10 hours per month.

PUBLIC WORKS DIRECTOR - J.D. SMITH

PUBLIC WORKS UPDATE:

PLANNING COMMISSION:

Public Works Director Smith stated there will be many changes for review next month.
CONSUMER CONFIDENCE REPORT:

The Annual Drinking Water Quality Report is completed and volunteers will begin hand delivering these door to door by July 1, 2010.

ANDERSON FIELD LAND USE – RESOLUTION 10-05:

Public Works Director Smith reviewed Resolution No. 10-05, which outlines the City’s intent to adopt policies to protect the long-term viability of the Anderson Field Airport from incompatible land uses, and advising the Okanogan County Commissioners to develop and adopt the same for the Okanogan County.

MOTION: Council Member Smyth made the motion to adopt resolution No. 10-05, regarding incompatible land use protection at the Brewster Anderson Field Airport. Council Member Dawson seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously.

SIX-YEAR TRANSPORTATION IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM – RESOLUTION 10-06:

Public Works Director Smith presented Council with Resolution No. 10-06, adopting the six-year comprehensive street program for the calendar year 2011-2016. This is an annual requirement by the State. We can amend this yearly. Changes were made in the priority of the improvements – with Bridge Street being moved up on the list. We currently have $425,000 in fund monies available through grants, and we will be applying for these in the future.

MOTION: Council Member Fateley made the motion to adopt Resolution No. 10-06, adopting the STIP plan as outlined. Council Member Smyth seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously.

POTHOLE REPAIR:

Public Works Director Smith stated that many of the potholes around town have been filled; however, there are several areas still in need of repair. The pothole repair will resume once Dave Reynolds, Public Works Dept., returns from a family emergency. This is a two-person job, and we will back to a 2-man crew on Monday.

POLICE CHIEF RON OULES:

POLICE DEPARTMENT UPDATE/STATS:

Police Chief Ron Oules stated that overtime is within normal limits. The Officers have been working on a burglary case, and it is believed that the suspects are also involved with some of the Omak robberies as well.

COPS GRANT:

Police Chief Ron Oules stated that Officer Cariker is still undecided on whether she will be leaving the force this year. If she decided to leave, it will save the PD money; if she stays it will cost us significantly. He also stated, on the same note, that the COPS Grant is available again. We had previously applied for this Grant (and were declined) last year when Officer Cariker had stated she would be leaving the force. In applying for
the Grant, it would have covered the costs of replacing her. Since we are basically in the same predicament now, he wants to know if Council is interested in applying for this Grant again in 2010. Council Member Smyth stated that as long as we are not “locked in” to this money and having to hire another Officer, he is in favor of applying – as long as we can turn it down should we decide not to use it. Council Member Scheller agreed with Smyth. Council Member Fateley is concerned about a reduction in force as he does not want the PD to be down an Officer, but also agrees that we cannot afford to hire one without some sort of assistance (Grant). Council Member Dawson stated she does not think we should apply for this Grant, even if we can turn it down, as she felt like she “got burned” by this proposal before.

Police Chief Ron Oules stated that if we apply for the Grant, he will find out if this is something that we can turn down. He understands that we cannot afford to increase our police force. If Officer Cariker decides to stay on, we would then turn down the Grant.

**EXECUTIVE SESSION – 15 MINUTES – PERSONNEL:**

Mayor Webster announced that Council will now hold a 15-minute Executive Session to discuss personnel at 8:05 pm.

At 8:20 pm, Mayor Webster announced that the Council had adjourned from the 15-minute Executive Session. No action was taken. Council then reconvened into Regular Session.

**ADJOURNMENT:**

With there being no further business to come before the Council, the meeting was adjourned at 8:21 p.m.

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Mayor Lee Webster

**ATTEST:**

City Clerk/Finance Director Pamela Olsen, MMC