

**City Council Meeting
City of Bethel, Alaska
Regular Meeting
January 12, 2016**

I. CALL TO ORDER

A Regular Meeting of the Bethel City Council was held on January 12, 2016 at 6:30 p.m., in the council chambers, Bethel, Alaska.

Mayor Richard Robb called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m.

II. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

III. ROLL CALL

Comprising a quorum of the Council, the following members were present:	
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Mayor Rick Robb	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Council Member Alisha Welch
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Vice-Mayor Leif Albertson	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Vice-Mayor Byron Maczynski (arrived 6:50 p.m.)
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Council Member Chuck Herman	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Council Member Zach Fansler (arrived 9:55 p.m.)
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Council Member Nikki Hoffman	
Also in attendance were the following:	
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> City Attorney Patty Burley	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> City Clerk Lori Strickler
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> City Manager Ann Capela	<input type="checkbox"/> Assistant To City Clerk Adriane Welch

IV. PEOPLE TO BE HEARD

Ana Hoffman – Stated, Bethel Spirits LLC, previously approved for a Package Store license from the State of Alaska, Alcohol Beverage Control Board, has applied for a new package store license for an alternate location. Bethel Spirit’s has completed the conditional use permit application requirements for the City of Bethel and hopes the Business and the City can work together efficiently as it is the intent of the Alcohol Beverage Control Board to consider this application at their February 10, 2016 Meeting.

Dave Trantham – Donated a picture to the City, of the Territorial Guard Park with the northern lights in the background.

Provided notice of an error in AM 16-04, the line item budget listed would pull travel to the Council out of the City Attorney’s account, this account line item should be 10-52-541.

Listed concerns with the City’s budget line items, specific to the Council travel and training line item in that the Council increased their travel and training budget to account for two council members to travel to Washington D.C. when the City was not able to provide raises to their employees.

Mary Nanuwaic – The sales of alcohol and marijuana may be a money maker for the City of Bethel, it won’t make up for the challenges the community will face. Suggested, the City establishes the highest possible rate of tax on these items.

V. APPROVAL OF THE CONSENT AND REGULAR AGENDA

Main Motion: Approve the Consent and Regular Agenda

Moved by: Herman
Seconded by: Hoffman
Action: Motion carries by a vote of 5-0
In favor: Robb Albertson Herman Hoffman Welch
Opposed: -0

**Removal from
Consent Agenda:** Introduction of Ordinance 16-01.

Moved by: Hoffman

**Removal from
Consent Agenda:** Resolution 16-02, Budget ordinance 15-14 (b) and New Business Item K, Administrative Leave request for the City Manager.

Moved by: Herman

**Removal from
Consent Agenda:** Resolution 16-01.

Moved by: Robb

VI. APPROVAL OF THE MEETING MINUTES

Item A – Regular City Council Meeting December 8, 2015

Passed on the consent agenda.

VII. REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES

Public Safety and Transportation Commission –

Council Representative, Chuck Herman –

A meeting has not been held since the last City Council Meeting.

Port Commission –

Council Representative, Alisha Welch –

Discussed the amendment of BMC Title 14.

Planning Commission –

Council Representative, Nikki Hoffman –

Discussed the opportunity to use Port facilities to maintenance City equipment.

Increasing the times that the Commission meets because there are time sensitive issues the commission will be faced with such as marijuana regulations.

Discussed concerns with the limited housing options for residents with the potential increase in population anticipated with the hospital expansion.

Commission members wished that they could be utilized more frequently.

Parks and Recreation Committee –

Committee Chair, Michelle Dewitt –

Support the hiring of an engineer to provide engineering services to look at the boardwalk repairs.

Discussed the use of tobacco tax and provided a recommendation that Council dedicate funds to boardwalk repairs.

Suggested the City establish a third-party website for the pool marketing. The Committee suggested a small budget modification to establish this third party administration.

The Committee discussed but has not taken action on the renewal of the contract with United Pools. The Committee would like to see a financial audit of the operators.

Some people spoke under people to be heard regarding the Log Cabin closure.

YKHC representative provided information on some possible partnerships with the pool under people to be heard.

United Pools had successful October and November marketing campaigns.

Future business will include Water Safety, Dog Park Development, Winter Events and more.

Vice-Mayor Maczynski arrived at 6:50 p.m.

Finance Committee –

Council Representative, Leif Albertson –

Not able to provide a report.

Energy Committee –

A meeting has not been held.

Public Works Committee –

Council Representative, Byron Maczynski –

The Institutional Corridor was discussed; the Committee hopes to sit down with YKHC in the near future.

Marijuana Advisory Committee –

The Marijuana Committee has provided support to the six month moratorium.

Non-Standing Committee –

Nothing to report.

VIII. SPECIAL ORDER OF BUSINESS

Item A – United Pools Update On The YK Regional Aquatic Training and Health Center.

Raunika Ray, USA Pool Representative.

For the month of December, the Fitness Center ran all regular scheduled programming with the addition of an adult water polo league and a swim club. The facility is continuing the after school program which has been highly successful. The facility hosted a Christmas party for the community.

IX. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Item A – Public Hearing of Ordinance 15-21: Amending Bethel Municipal Code 5.30, Taxicab, River Taxi, Limousine And Bus Permits, To Require Video Camera Surveillance System And Global Positioning System Capabilities.

Mayor Robb opened the public hearing.

No one was present to be heard.

Mayor Robb closed the public hearing.

Main Motion: Postpone until January 26th Regular Council Meeting.

Moved by: Welch

Seconded by: Hoffman

Action: Motion carries by a vote of 6-0

In favor: Robb Maczynski Albertson Herman Hoffman Welch

Opposed: -0

Item B – Public Hearing Of Ordinance 15-35: Alaska Marine Lines Lease Agreement For Warehouse, City Dock.

Mayor Robb opened the public hearing.

No one was present to be heard.

Mayor Robb closed the public hearing.

Main Motion: Adopt Ordinance 15-35.

Moved by: Maczynski

Seconded by: Welch

Action: Motion carries by a vote of 6-0

In favor: Robb Maczynski Albertson Herman Hoffman Welch

Opposed: -0

Item C – Public Hearing Of Budget Ordinance 15-14 (a): Amending The Adopted Fiscal Year 2016 Annual Budget.

Mayor Robb opened the public hearing.

David Trantham Jr. – Provided concern with the City pulling from the undesignated fund balance to provide budget modification. Suggested the City may not be able to be bonded if this action is taken.

Mayor Robb closed the public hearing.

Main Motion: Adopt Budget Ordinance 15-14 (a)

Moved by: Albertson

Seconded by: Maczynski

Action: Motion carries by a vote of 4-2

In favor: Albertson Herman Hoffman Welch

Opposed: Robb Maczynski

Amend line item 10-56-642 to strike \$25,000 and insert \$66,000.

Amend line item 10-39-900 to strike \$25,000.

Amend line item 10-65-501 to decrease \$30,000.

Amend line item 10-60-501 to decrease \$6,000.

Amend line item 10-55-501 to decrease \$6,000.

Amend line item 10-53-501 to decrease \$6,000.

Amend line item 10-65-501 to decrease \$6,000.

Primary Amend line item 10-54-501 to decrease \$6,000.

Amendment: Amend line item 52-50-501 to decrease \$6,000.

Moved by: Albertson
Seconded by: Maczynski
Action: Motion carries by a vote of 6-0
In favor: Albertson Herman Fansler Hoffman Welch Robb Maczynski
Opposed: -0

X. NEW BUSINESS

Item A – Resolution 16-01: Supporting The State Of Alaska Fiscal Year 2017 Capital Funding Appropriation To Lower Kuskokwim School District.

Main Motion: Adopt Resolution 16-01.

Moved by: Maczynski
Seconded by: Herman
Action: Motion carries by a vote of 6-0
In favor: Robb Maczynski Albertson Herman Hoffman Welch
Opposed: -0

Item B – Resolution 16-02: Addition To The State Of Alaska Capital Request For Funding In Fiscal Year 2017, Recovered Heat Project.

Main Motion: Adopt Resolution 16-02.

Moved by: Hoffman
Seconded by: Albertson
Action: Motion carries by a vote of 6-0
In favor: Robb Maczynski Albertson Herman Fansler Hoffman Welch
Opposed: -0

Mayor Robb provided to the Council that he is the Director of Operations at the Phillips Alcohol Treatment Center.

By inaction, the Council determined this to not be a conflict of interest.

Subsidiary

Motion: Suspend the rules to hear from the City's Lobbyist, Mary Sattler.

Moved by: Maczynski
Seconded by: Welch
Action: Motion carries by a vote of 6-0
In favor: Robb Maczynski Albertson Herman Hoffman Welch
Opposed: -0

Main Motion: Ten minute break.

Moved by: Hoffman
Seconded by: Maczynski
Action: Motion carries by a vote of 6-0
In favor: Robb Maczynski Albertson Herman Hoffman Welch
Opposed: -0

Item C – Introduction of Budget Ordinance 15-14 (b): Amending The Adopted Fiscal Year 2016 Annual Budget To Account For The Purchase Of Laptops For City Council Members.

Main Motion: Introduce Budget Ordinance 15-14 (b).

Moved by: Hoffman
Seconded by: Maczynski
Action: Motion carries by a vote of 6-0
In favor: Robb Maczynski Albertson Herman Fansler Hoffman Welch
Opposed: -0

Main Motion: Table Indefinitely.

Moved by: Albertson
Seconded by: Herman
Action: Motion carries by a vote of 5-1
In favor: Maczynski Albertson Herman Fansler Hoffman Welch
Opposed: Robb

Item D – Introduction Of Ordinance 16-01: Establishing A Limited Moratorium On Commercial Marijuana.

Main Motion: Postpone until January 26th Regular Council Meeting.

Moved by: Welch
Seconded by: Hoffman
Action: Motion does not carry by a vote of 2-4
In favor: Hoffman Welch
Opposed: Robb Maczynski Albertson Herman

Main Motion: Postpone until later tonight.

Moved by: Albertson
Seconded by: Herman
Action: Motion carries by a vote of 5-1
In favor: Robb Maczynski Albertson Herman Welch
Opposed: Hoffman

Item E – *AM 16-01: Appointment Of Delbert Egoak To The Public Works Committee.
Passed on the consent agenda.

Item F – *AM 16-02: Approving The 2016 Regular Meeting Dates For The City Council.
Passed on the consent agenda.

Item G – AM 16-03: Directing Administration To Submit Phase 1 Application for Remote Alaska Communities Energy Efficiency Competition And To Begin Planning For Phase 2 Submission.

Main Motion: Approve AM 16-03.

Moved by: Herman

Seconded by: Maczynski

Action: Motion does not carry by a vote of 0-6

In favor: -0

Opposed: Robb Maczynski Albertson Herman Hoffman Welch

Item H – AM 16-04: Approval Of Two Council Members To Travel To The National League Of Cities Annual Conference.

Item I – AM 16-05: Appointment Of Brian Lefferts To The Parks, Recreation, Aquatic Health And Safety Center As An Alternate Member.

Item J – IM 16-01: Update On The Status Of The Kilbuck School Fire.

Item K – Administrative Leave Approval For City Manager To Attend The Nation League of Cities Annual Conference.

Item L – City Manager's Goals.

Item M – Consideration Of Local Businesses Using A System To Track Sales Taxes.

Item N – *Personal Leave Request For City Attorney, February 5 & 8 And March 23 Through April 4, 2016.

Passed on the consent agenda.

Item O – *Personal Leave Request For City Clerk, January 22 And 25, 2016.

Passed on the consent agenda.

Item D – Introduction Of Ordinance 16-01: Establishing A Limited Moratorium On Commercial Marijuana.

Council Member Fansler arrived at 9:55 p.m.

Main Motion: Introduce Ordinance 16-01.

Moved by:	Herman
Seconded by:	Albertson
Action:	Motion carries by a vote of 7-0
In favor:	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Hoffman <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Welch <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Robb <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Maczynski <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Albertson <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Herman <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Fansler
Opposed:	-0

- XI. MAYOR’S REPORT**
- XII. MANAGER’S REPORT**
- XIII. CLERK’S REPORT**
- XIV. COUNCIL MEMBER COMMENTS**

Mayor Richard Robb –
Good to get out of the meeting before 1:00 a.m.
Thanked Council Member Fansler for his work as the K-300 Race Manager.
Happy New Year and Happy Slavic.

Vice-Mayor Byron Maczynski –
No comment.

Council Member Albertson –
No comment.

Council Member Chuck Herman –
Have a fun K-300 weekend, be smart and be safe.

Council Member Zach Fansler –
Wished everyone a Happy New Year.
Apologized for being late.
Reminded the community, the K-300 events will be starting this week; thanked all of the volunteers who provide support to the events.

Council Member Nikki Hoffman –
Attended as a community member at the VFW event, grateful to have met a three star general.
Thanked all of the Territorial Guardsmen.

Council Member Alisha Welch –

No comment.

XV. ADJOURNMENT

Main Motion: Adjourn

Moved by: Fansler

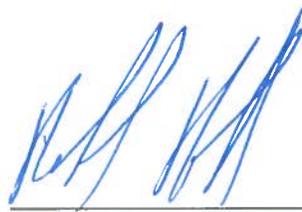
Seconded by: Welch

Action: Motion carries by a vote of 7-0

In favor: Robb Maczynski Albertson Herman Fansler Hoffman Welch

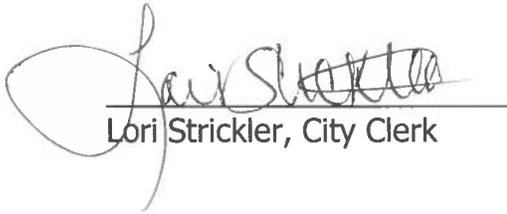
Opposed: -0

Council adjourned at 10:39 p.m.



Richard Robb, Mayor

ATTEST:



Lori Strickler, City Clerk