
City of Bethel, Alaska

Finance Committee Minutes

October 29, 2013

Finance Committee Meeting

Bethel, Alaska

CALL TO ORDER

A meeting of the Finance Committee was held on October 28, 2013 at 6:30 pm in the Council Chambers.

Meeting was called to order by Carol Willard , as Chair at 6:00 PM.

ROLL CALL

A quorum was established of the Committee, the following members were present:

Albertson, Willard, Shear, Trantham

Excused absence(s): Clark

Unexcused absence(s): None

Also in attendance were the following:

Bobby Sutton, Finance Director

Carole Jung, Recorder

PEOPLE TO BE HEARD

No one present to be heard.

NEW BUSINESS

MOTION: APPROVAL OF MINUTES

MOVED BY:	Trantham	To approve the minutes of the regular meeting of September 23, 2013
SECONDED BY:	Willard	

VOTE ON MOTION	Motion carried by unanimous voice vote.
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MOTION: APPROVAL OF AGENDA

MOVED BY:	Trantham	To approve the agenda.
SECONDED BY:	Willard	

VOTE ON MOTION	Motion carried by unanimous voice vote.
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MOTION : Acceptance of Kevin Kristof's Resignation

MOVED BY:	Shear	To accept the resignation of Kevin Kristof.
SECONDED BY:	Albertson	

VOTE ON MOTION:

Motion carried by unanimous voice vote.

MEMBER COMMENTS:

Trantham: Says he was contacted by a mid-size company asking about 'leveling the playing field" with taxes. Does the city still publish the delinquent sales tax list? He also brought up the issue of re-sale and says it was a citizen's comment at the last council meeting. He also stated that we should advertise when we have an opening for this committee. There are also two stand in members who also have voting rights within the committee. He brought up the subject of Qwest cards and that he witnessed firsthand the abuse of the cards from people selling their food for alcohol. He states that this type of abuse happens nationwide.

Willard: Says she was approached by a couple of churches. How do we decide who is paying and who isn't? It isn't really clear how different businesses get exempt. How do you target one segment of non-profit over another? Or do you exempt just the churches?

Finance Director: We do make the delinquent list available to the public. We typically send one to council monthly. There was also discussion of possibly fixing the ordinance due to some holes in it, as viewed by some members of the committee. He also talked about the December 10 audit and that we are ready for it. There was discussion about the finance director position. He said they interviewed two candidates for the position.

ADJOURNMENT

The next meeting is scheduled for the 4th Monday in November.

APPROVED THIS 25th DAY OF NOV, 2013.


Recorder,


Chair,