



City of Bethel

Finance Committee Agenda

Monday October 24, 2016 – 6:30 p.m.

Council Chambers, Bethel, Alaska

Carol Ann Willard
Finance Committee Chair

Jon Cochrane
Finance Committee Vice Chair

Leif Albertson
City Council Representative

Milanna Shear
Finance Committee Member

Dave Trantham, Jr.
Finance Committee Member

Michael Shantz
Finance Committee Member

Delbert Egoak
Finance Committee Member

Emily Russell
Alternate Committee Member

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I. CALL TO ORDER

II. ROLL CALL

III. PEOPLE TO BE HEARD Ten minutes per person

IV. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

v. APPROVAL OF MINUTES of October 10, 2016 Special Meeting

VI. SPECIAL ORDER OF BUSINESS

1. Lieutenant Governor Byron Mallott.

VII. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

1. Sales Tax Rewrite- Finance Committee

VIII. NEW BUSINESS

1. FY 17 Budget Review- Trantham

IX. COUNCIL REP. COMMENTS

X. FINANCE DIRECTOR'S COMMENT

XI. FINANCE COMMITTEE MEMBER COMMENTS

XII. ADJOURNMENT

City of Bethel, Alaska

Finance Committee Minutes

Monday October 10, 2016

Special Meeting

Bethel, Alaska

CALL TO ORDER

A regular meeting of the Finance Committee was held on October 10, 2016 at 6:30 p.m. in City Council Chambers.

Meeting was called to order by Chair Willard at 6:30 PM.

ROLL CALL

Comprising a quorum of the Committee, the following were present:

Albertson, Shantz, Trantham, Willard, Russell

Excused absences: Cochrane, Shear

Unexcused absences: Egoak

Also in attendance were the following:

Hansel Mathlaw-Finance Director-Filling in as recorder

Patty Burley- City Attorney

PEOPLE TO BE HEARD

Jim Valcarce- Thanked all for service. Exemption currently in code. Currently all sales over \$10K capped; new revision doesn't limit that. Less than 10% of his cases are in Bethel. If this is done away with it will hurt the client. Juneau has a cap (\$7500).

Eileen Arnold- Special exemptions still a concern. If non-profits have more than 2 fundraisers a year they will be expected to pay something to the city. This sounds problematic for nonprofits fundraising. For refunds, it should be a year or at least quarterly. 30 days is too short.

Buck Buckowski- Speaking on behalf of non-profits. Tax on inventory proposed? Sales are bad, gave most to the city. By law they have to donate. City gets the biggest donation.

Shane Iverson- On behalf of KYUK. Gaming tax, some concerns. The inventory style tax sounds like it will cause an accounting problem.

MOTION: APPROVAL OF AGENDA

MOVED BY:	Russell	To approve the agenda.
SECONDED BY:	Albertson	

VOTE ON MOTION	Motion carried by unanimous vote.

MOTION: APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF September 26, 2016 Regular Meeting

MOVED BY:	Shantz	To approve the minutes from the Sept. 26 meeting.
SECONDED BY:	Russell	

VOTE ON MOTION	Motion carried by unanimous vote.
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OLD BUSINESS

1. Sales Tax Code – Finance Director and Committee.

MOTION: To go into committee as a whole

MOVED BY:	Shantz	To go into committee as a whole.
SECONDED BY:	Russell	

VOTE ON MOTION	Motion carried by unanimous vote.
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MOTION: To come out of committee as a whole.

MOVED BY:	Shantz	To come out of committee as whole.
SECONDED BY:	Trantham	

VOTE ON MOTION	Motion carried by unanimous vote.
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COMMENTS

Finance Director- No comments.

Member Trantham- Would like to put the budget on a meeting agenda. (to review the FY 17 budget.)

Council Member Comments-As we give exemptions lets also look for revenues. We have 2 new council members. Impressed with pool management but concerned with revenue. Alcohol tax doing well.

Member Shantz- No comments.

Member Russell- No comments

Chair Willard- Thank you everyone for coming and I appreciate everybody's time. We will see everybody next on the 24th. 6:30-8:30 on the taxes and 8:30-9:00 PM for our other agenda item.

ADJOURNMENT

MOVED BY:	Shantz	Meeting was adjourned.
SECONDED BY:	Russell	

VOTE ON MOTION	Motion carried by unanimous vote.
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APPROVED THIS ____ DAY OF _____, 2016.

Carole Jung, Recorder

Carol Ann Willard, Chair