

CALL TO ORDER The meeting of the Bethel City Council was called to order at 7.30 pm.

ROLL CALL All members present except for Councilmember Aloysius.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES M/M by Chris, 2nd by Korthuis to approve the minutes of the 11/11/86 Council meeting as presented. Voice vote, motion carried.

M/M by Korthuis, 2nd by Reich to approve the minutes of the 11/25/86 Council meeting as presented. Voice vote, motion carried.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA M/M by Carpenter, 2nd by Dale to approve the agenda with the following change: add Item E, Unfinished Business, Employee Assistance. Voice vote, motion carried.

MAYOR'S REPORT There was no Mayor's Report.

MANAGER'S REPORT MANAGER'S REPORT

City Manager Widom reported to Council on the following items:

- a. requested Council direction concerning City participation at April Resource Development Council meeting. Council set the matter for review at the December 16 Council meeting
- b. recommended Council schedule a work session on setting City goals and objectives
- c. noted that he is reviewing applications for the Planning Director position
- d. informed Council that the City is no longer destroying animals until after the animal is held at the pound the minimum number of days required by City ordinance - Council set the matter for review and possible ordinance revision at the December 16 Council meeting
- e. noted that the next scheduled meeting for Council is December 16
- f. requested Council direction concerning lobbying efforts this legislative session - the matter was set for the December 16 Council meeting

Police Chief Clayton noted for the public the high fox population at Bethel this year and issued a warning concerning a possible rabies problem

Councilmember Chris suggested that Council consider the City Clerk's request for time-off at the next Council meeting; the matter was set review at the December 16 Council meeting.

COUNCILMEMBER COMMENT COUNCILMEMBER COMMENTS

Councilmember Carpenter commented on the following items:

- a. inquired as to the status of Mr. Lou Davis' request for information concerning electrical work done by the City - City Manager Widom informed Council that Mr. Davis' request was overly broad and would require too much staff time to prepare the report requested; that the City would provide information under the Freedom of Information Act but not prepare reports. Mayor Warner concurred that the request by Mr. Davis appeared unreasonable in its scope. M/M by Dale, 2nd by Carpenter directing the City Manager to respond to Mr. Davis concerning the Freedom of Information Act and to inform Mr. Davis that the City will be looking into contracting out such work in the future. Voice vote, motion carried.
- b. inquired as to the hours of the teen center for the holidays - City Manager Widom noted that the City has budgeted the teen center to be open 40 hours per week; that additional hours at the center have been denied due to the cut in overtime hours being paid by the City; that the center is presently open 4 days per week. Councilmember Korthuis suggested additional hours for the teen center would be appropriate over the holidays. Mayor Warner suggested that additional hours be authorized over the holidays and that the hours at the center be decreased during January to offset the overtime paid over the holidays. City Manager Widom suggested that the teen center remain open at least the current number of scheduled hours and that Administration would attempt to open the center additional hours over the holiday. The matter was set for review at the December 16 Council meeting.
- c. suggested that the City send complimentary copies of the Bethel Centennial Book to the legislature, the Governor, and the cabinet. M/M by Carpenter, 2nd by Reich to send copies of the Bethel Centennial book to the State legislators, the Governor, and the Governor's cabinet with a cover letter from the Mayor. Voice vote, motion carried.
- d. inquired as to the status of the Human Rights Commission investigation involving the City, requesting an update and report on the matter at the next Council meeting.
- e. asked if the Chief of Police had sent a letter to the parents whose child was missing outlining for the the parents the City policy concerning such matters. Police Chief Clayton informed Council that the letter had been sent. Councilmember Carpenter requested a copy of the policy. Council placed on the agenda for the December 16 meeting consideration of the relationship of the Chief of Police to Council and the City Manager.

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- f. requested that Administration present to Council at the next Council meeting a list of City fund balances as of the end of October, 1986.

Councilmember Reich asked for information concerning the denial of the bootlegging reward to VPSO Black. Police Chief Clayton noted that the reward is paid to people who are working under the direction of the Bethel Police Department; that Mr. Black was working with the State Troopers and as such was not eligible for the reward. Police Chief Clayton suggested that people assisting the Bethel Police Department in obtaining drug convictions be eligible for the reward. Police Chief Clayton noted that increasing the reward from \$500 to \$1000 has not made a significant difference in the number of bootlegging convictions.

Councilmember Korthuis requested that the City take the City fuel truck off the road because the truck is not street legal. City Manager Widom noted that the truck has been licensed by the State and as such should be used by the City. City Manager Widom noted for Council that the City should continue to operate the fuel truck until formally cited for violating the motor vehicle code; that if the vehicle is found to be not street legal that Administration will take it off the road. Councilmember Chris expressed concern that Council has not been shown written proof that the City has insurance coverage for the fuel truck; that if the truck can be made street legal at a reasonable cost that the City should do the necessary repairs. M/M by Dale, 2nd by Korthuis directing Administration not to use the fuel truck until the City has clarified the street legality of the truck and insurance coverage for the vehicle to the satisfaction of the City Council and the State troopers. Poll vote, motion carried.

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Councilmember Chris noted for Council that the City will continue to monitor the operation of the fuel truck for six months if and when the truck is placed back in operation.

REPORTS OF STANDING
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PATC ADVISORY BOARD - Chairperson Fireman noted that the Advisory Board will present to Council additional recommendations concerning the Board's rules and regulations; that the Advisory Board has three vacancies; that the City notify himself when matters involving the Board are before Council. Councilmember Chris noted that Barry Gold has been appointed permanent Director at PATC.

ALCOHOL/DRUG TASK FORCE - Chairperson Carpenter noted that the Task Force will meet on December 12.

PLANNING COMMISSION - Mayor Warner reported on the Planning Commission meeting; Council took no action.

PEOPLE TO BE HEARD

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Nelson Davies, Teen Center Coordinator, reviewed for Council the teen center schedule for the holidays.

Bob Sumner of KYUK suggested to Council that the City sales tax is discriminatory in its application with respect to renters and home owners and could be the subject of a lawsuit.

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M/M by Korthuis, 2nd by Chris to go past 10 pm. Voice vote, motion carried.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

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Item A: Council-member Resignation

M/M by Chris, 2nd by Korthuis to accept the resignation of Councilmember Aloysius. Voice vote, motion carried. Council discussed the process for filling the vacant Council seat noting that it has 30 days in which to fill the seat.

Item B: Public Hearing Ordinance 174

PUBLIC HEARING ON ORDINANCE 174 - SALES TAX PENALTY/ INTEREST FORGIVENESS

Mayor Warner reviewed for Council the proposed ordinance and opened the public hearing.

Warren Loschky spoke in support of the ordinance.

City Manager Widom noted that the penalty and interest charged by the City is that allowable by law; that if Council passes Ordinance 174 the City will lose over \$110,000 in assessed interest and penalties. A discussion took place as to which businesses should be forgiven. Councilmember Korthuis suggested that Council pass the ordinance as a one time forgiveness. City Manager Widom noted that any refunds for payments of interest and penalty would only be for such payments made as a result of audits performed during 1986. M/M by Dale, 2nd by Reich to adopt Ordinance 174 in its entirety. Poll vote, motion carried.

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Item C: Capital Improvement Plan

PUBLIC HEARING AMENDMENT 2 TO ORDINANCE 156 - CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PLAN UPDATE

Mayor Warner opened the public hearing. City Planner Duncan reviewed for Council the proposed amendment. There were no public comments. Council made the following change to the plan update - to consolidate boardwalks, bus shelter and off-road vehicle trails into one project. M/M by Chris, 2nd by Korthuis to adopt Amendment 2 to Ordinance 156 with the inclusion of the changes recommended by the Planning Department in its memo of December 4 and the consolidation of boardwalks, bus shelter and off-road vehicle trails into one project. Poll vote, motion carried. Council discussed placing the library and museum in the same building but took no action on the matter.

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Item D: Amendment
1 to Ordinance 172

INTRODUCTION OF AMENDMENT 1 TO ORDINANCE 172 -
BUDGET REVISION

motion

M/M by Korthuis, 2nd by Carpenter to introduce and set for a public hearing at the December 16 Council meeting Amendment 1 to Ordinance 172 a revision to the 1987 City budget. Voice vote, motion carried.

Item E: Employee
Assistance

EMPLOYEE ASSISTANCE/PERSONNEL RULES

Councilmember Carpenter recommended that the City include in its revised personnel rules and regulations a policy regarding employee assistance with respect to alcohol, drug, and personal problems and to set up a plan for dealing with the problems. The matter was referred to Administration for review with the personnel rules and regulations.

NEW BUSINESS

COMMITTEE/COMMISSION APPOINTMENTS

Item A: Committee/
Commission Appoint-
ments

Mayor Warner, with the concurrence of Council, made the following appointments:
Port Commission - James R. Hoffman
PATC Advisory Board - Clara Kelly
Public Works - Councilmember Korthuis replaced Councilmember Reich as Council representative
Planning Commission - Tim Miller; Mayor Warner appointed himself Council representative

Item B: Non-Profit
Sales Tax Exemption

NON-PROFIT EXEMPTION FROM SALES TAX

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City Manager Widom reviewed for Council the proposed amendment to the sales tax ordinance. M/M by Carpenter, 2nd by Dale to introduce and to set the proposed amendment for a public hearing at the December 16 Council meeting. Voice vote, motion carried.

ADJOURNMENT

M/M by Reich to adjourn. Voice vote, motion carried. The meeting adjourned at 11.33 pm.

PASSED AND APPROVED THIS 16th DAY OF DECEMBER, 1986.

Tom Warner, Mayor

ATTEST:



Wayne J. Maiers, City Clerk

