

Meeting called to order by Mayor Arthur Nicholson

ROLL CALL: PRESENT: Bruce Crow, Edward Hoffman, Melvin Kldrow, Al Laraux, Arthur Nicholson, Joseph Pike, David Swanson.

INVOCATION: BY: Reverend Klokow

Minutes of the last Regular Council Meeting were read and approved as read.

COMMUNICATIONS: NONE

TREASURER'S REPORT: NONE

ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT

City Administrator, John Snodgrass reported that:

1. The new Sanitation Truck is in operation.
2. Bids on the old Black Sanitation Truck are out - closing date Wednesday.
3. Repairs on the Cowan Hut have begun, insulation is installed. Cowan Hut will be closed until work is completed.

MAYOR'S COMMENTS:

Mayor Nicholson commented that:

1. Re the proposed Community Center - - Discussed with the Banker possibility of securing a loan for the Center.
2. Letter to Mr. Cortnage, head of ^{E.O.M.} ~~C.F.O.~~, Anchorage re grant monies for the Community Center Bldg.
3. On Thanksgiving Day there was a meeting at Archie Watson's residence. Will Rogers, Jr. B.I.A. representative was present: Topic of discussion: Regional High School for Bethel. High school students were also at the meeting and expressed their desire to have the Regional High School constructed in Bethel.
4. Model Cities Application for Bethel was turned down.
5. N.C. has begun preliminary work to mount the Fire Siren.
6. Suggested that the City Council Meetings be curtailed to one per month.

REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES

SANITATION: Al Laraux reported that the Dump will have to be cleared with the next day or so.

ROADS: NONE

EDUCATION: NONE

LIQUOR:

David Swanson offered a report regarding the Bethel Sales, Inc. pending Tax Litigation. (approx. \$62,000.) from Burton Biss, City Attorney: (Copies of Mr. Biss's letters attached to minutes:)

- 1) Letter from Mr. Biss to Dist. Director, I.R.S., Anchorage protesting the disallowance of rent expense.
- 2) Letters to: Senator Bartlett; Senator Greuning; and Congressman Pollock, requesting their assistance with the City of Bethel's tax problem.
- 3) Letter to John Snodgrass, City Administrator, outlining proposed action that the City must take. Requested that the City Council authorize that he (Mr. Biss) represent the City in the Tax matter.

Motion made by David Swanson and 2nd by Joseph Pike that: The City of Bethel retain Burton Biss, Attorney to handle the Bethel Sales, Inc. tax litigation in whatever manner he sees fit. Fulfilling any requests that he may have. That the City Council under the Mayor's signature write to the

Congressional Delegation in Washington explaining to the fullest extent what we have expended these monies on.

Motion passed unanimously with 7 ayes.

Mayor Nicholson requested that David Swanson represent the City on the tax matter and accompany Mr. Biss to the conference with the Director, I.R.S. District Office, Anchorage. David Swanson stated that he would assist Mr. Biss in any way possible.

RECREATION: NONE

POLICE: Joseph Pike stated that Ralph Kinegak, City Patrolman, has returned from school in Anchorage and is back on the Curfew Patrol.

OLD BUSINESS: COMMUNITY CENTER

MR. KERIT FOLVEN, HIGH SCHOOL ADVISOR, acted as spokesman for visiting Bethel High School Teachers and Students. Mr. Folven stated that the students are somewhat confused as to just what action the City is proposing for the construction of a Community Center facility. That the students were anxious to see the Cedar Homes' architect's plans for Bethel's Community Bldg. Reverend Klokow presented the plans to the students for their perusal.

NEW BUSINESS: HOUSE MOVING - - Melvin Klokow

Reverend Klokow reported that the house in question is the one located near the Cemetery. General discussion re moving house, owned by the Alaska State Housing Authority.

Motion made by: Melvin Klokow and 2nd by David Swanson; That: The City Administrator correspond with the Alaska State Housing Authority and bring reports and answers to next Council Meeting.

Motion passed unanimously with 7 ayes.

David Swanson requested that the BLM be contacted to make another survey for additional lots.

Motion made by Arthur Nicholson and 2nd by Joseph Pike, That: The City Administrator write to the BLM requesting additional building sites.

Motion passed unanimously with 7 ayes.

CITY DUMP: Re Al Laroux's report - Motion made by David Swanson and 2nd by Al Laroux That: Five Hundred Dollars be transferred from Line Item "City School Bus" to "Dump Maintenance".

Poll Vote: Bruce Crow, Yes, Edward Hoffman, Yes, Melvin Klokow, Yes, Al Laroux, Yes, Arthur Nicholson, Yes, Joseph Pike, Yes, David Swanson, Yes.

Motion made by Joseph Pike and 2nd by Edward Hoffman That: Commencing with the next Regular Council Meeting, that the meetings be reduced to once per month; on the second Monday of each month and in case of an emergency, the 4th Monday of the month.

Motion passed unanimously with 7 ayes.

George Homan (from the floor) reported that there would be a meeting sometime around the 11th of December in Anchorage where Mr. Jim Harper would be present. Topic of discussion Regional High School Planning; Mayor Nicholson requested that City Administrator write to Mr. Harper for details.

Motion made by Colonel Pike and 2nd by David Swanson that the meeting be adjourned.

Arthur L. Nicholson

Leola M. Ruelle City Clerk