

CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order by Mayor Cooke at 7:40 P.M., KVNA Building.

ROLL CALL

PRESENT: Connick, Gregory, Crow, Murphy, Romer and Cooke. ABSENT: Hoffman

READING OF MINUTES

On page 2 under People to be Heard Murphy's name was added on. On the last page under New Business the following was added on as first paragraph. "The Guinns allowed the State to build a bridge on their land with the understanding that just compensation would be made by the State to the Guinns. Recent regulations will not allow the State to transfer land directly to the Guinns. The State requests that the City act as the intermediary in the land transfer as compensation to the Guinns".

M/M Murphy, Romer, I move that we accept the minutes of 5-7-73 with the corrections and additions. Voice vote carried.

COMMUNICATIONS

Shuler stated that he had received a letter from Governor Egan regarding the problem with roads at Bethel Heights. Connick questioned who was responsible for the maintenance of roads and Shuler replied that ASHA is in contract with Walsh Co. Letter from Clyde Courtnage was also recieved about submission of Economic Development Plan for Bethel.

MANAGERS REPORT

Shuler reported that he had talked with Blanche McSmith with the PEP program. PEP will phase out in March of 1974. City can hire museum curator till end of December and rehire for the open Patrolman position until March of 1974. Shuler had also received a letter from Dave Swanson, Chairman, Community Liquor Store Board stating that \$100,000 is needed to meet necessary commitments to pay for air freight shipments. The balance (presently \$12,000) was and will be deposited into the City's general account. Shuler spoke with Don Statter about the dock project. Silides is negotiating with Eggleston on land acquisition. The acquisition of land could be expensive for the City. Silides suggested that a floating dock project could be considered. On the taxi ordinance Shuler hopes to have this in effect by June 1st of this year but it may be extended until the 15th. Inspection of cabs was scheduled for the following week. Shuler also reported that he had received blank deeds from Harland Davis for the lots at the subdivision. Shuler recommended that deeds be transferred after payment in full. Shuler also reported that he had received a billing in the amount of \$4700 for the survey done on the lots across from the Bra Building. Shuler's suggestion is that the people should have lived on these lots at least a year to qualify for these lots. The cost is about \$.04 per square foot.

M/M Murphy, Crow, I move that we put the discussion of the lots across from the P Building on tonights agenda under New Business. Voice vote carried unanimously.

The City will carry through the end of the Fiscal Year with what money it has go This does not include the \$13,000/year payment for the Braund Building. Shuler reported that he is negotiating with ASHA to acquire the necessary land along Bra Slough. Shuler hopes to acquire the land by September 30th of 1973.

a 1 year contract and no longer than 2 summers. Recommends \$5000.00 a season with minor repairs "minor" meaning backfills.

M/M Crow, Connick, I move that this contract be on a 2 year basis at \$5000.00 per year and minor repairs and that United has an option for renegotiating this contract after 2 years. Roll call vote with Connick, Gregory, Crow, Murphy, Romer and Cooke all voting yes.

4. Ordinance 54 - Mooring of Barges Along Waterfront in City of Bethel

Shuler read Ordinance 54 regarding the mooring of barges at the riverfront. In a letter that Shuler got from the City Attorney, he stated that the City cannot prohibit the use of private lands along the waterfront. City also cannot sue barge owner for mooring of barges at the riverfront - if private property.

George Schenk brought out that his fish processors create income for people in this area during the summer. He also brought out that he has legal deed to land he had acquired to dock his barge at the property on the riverfront.

Cooke brought out that if Ordinance 54 is passed barges desiring to load and unload cargo would have to go to the City for permission to dock at a certain spot along the waterfront.

5 MINUTE BREAK CALLED FOR.

MEETING CALLED BACK TO ORDER AT 10:00 P.M.

Cooke stated that Ordinance 54 will be postponed until we get more advice and more information on it.

NEW BUSINESS

1. Work Session

Shuler reported that Jordan Suhr requested to meet in a Work Session with the Council regarding PHS water and sewer project. Shuler hopes to have budget projections ready for the next fiscal year. Also the work session would include the Fish and Game request for land and further hearings on the taxi permits.

Connick suggested that Friday afternoon, May 25th at 2 pm at the City Office be the work session date.

M/M Connick, Crow, I move that we continue with the meeting past 10 P.M. Voice vote carried.

2. Public Works Review

Shuler reported that it costs the City \$200,000 a year to support the sanitation and garbage departments. The shopforeman position and dispatcher positions have been dropped and a shop helper was hired. Shulers suggestion is that we drop the Sanitation or Garbage helper to pay more wages to the drivers and helpers. The garbage truck also costs \$20,000 a year with its helpers.

Connick at this time brought out that there have been people complaining about the remains of burnt houses at Bethel Heights. They feel these are dangerous for kids playing around these. Connick requested that the City request ASHA to clean these out.

During discussion it was brought out that the present dump is a health hazard to the City of Bethel.

Shuler requested that the Public Works drivers be paid \$800/month and the helpers \$700/month to start. No objections were raised.

3. Lots Across From Braund Building

Shuler reported that he had received a bill for \$4700 for the survey on land that was done on the lots across from the Braund Building. Shulers recommendation is that these people who have lived on these lots for over a year be deeded the land at the cost of the survey. In other words families who have lived on these lots for over a year can qualify for the lots they are now staying on at 4¢ per square foot. No objections were raised.

M/M Gregory, Connick, I move that we adjourn the meeting. Voice vote carried unanimously.

MEETING ADJOURNED AT 10:30 P.M.

I hereby certify these minutes to be true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

Carrie Kashatok
Carrie Kashatok, City Clerk

Margaret Cooke
Margaret Cooke, Mayor