

CALL TO ORDER

City Manager Hoffman called the regular meeting of the Bethel City Council to order at 7.30 pm.

ROLL CALL

Present: Binkley, Buttane, Hoffman, Sullivan,  
Twitchell, Veit  
Absent: Guinn (out of town)

motion

City Manager Hoffman accepted nominations for acting Mayor. M/M by Sullivan, 2nd by Veit to appoint Councilmember Binkley acting mayor. Voice vote, motion carried.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

motion

M/M by Buttane, 2nd by Hoffman to accept the minutes of the 10/24/83 Council meeting as presented. Voice vote, motion carried.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

motion

M/M by Twitchell, 2nd by Sullivan to accept the agenda with the following changes and deletions:  
a. Unfinished Business, add Item F - Community Service Patrol; add Item G - Dogs;  
b. New Business - delete items A and B  
Voice vote, motion carried.

MANAGER'S REPORT

City Manager Hoffman reported on the following:  
a. TACAN Site land agreement - BNC has agreed with the City's position that PHS had transferred the TACAN land site to the City. BNC is recording the documents necessary to finalize the land exchange agreed to by Council at the 10/10/84 Council meeting. The land exchanged will not be counted as part of the City's 14(c)(3) land allotment.  
b. the dog pound remains unfinished; discussed further under Item G.  
c. CSP/Human Shelter - the City has received a reply from Governor Sheffield concerning the CSP issue. Commissioner Lewis of the Governor's office met with the Administration today concerning the CSP problem. The Commissioner indicated that the Administration is seeking space through the PHS Hospital for CSP use. Additionally, steps are underway to form a non-profit corporation to operate the proposed shelter.  
d. a work session on the proposed zoning ordinance will be held at 7.30 pm on November 17 with Council and the Planning Department.  
e. a new postal service, an air transfer service, is being planned for Bethel for service to the villages. Copies of the proposed plan are available at City offices.  
f. a Council work session on the proposed reorganization/reclassification plan will be held Friday noon, November 18.  
g. John Binkley has been appointed to the AML Board of Directors for another term.

MAYOR'S REPORT

There was no Mayor's report. City Manager Hoffman reported on the recent Alaska Municipal League Conference held at Juneau.

REPORTS OF STANDING  
COMMITTEES

There were no standing committee reports.

PEOPLE TO BE HEARD

Councilmember Buttane recommended that the City Utility Services Department leave a notice with those customers who did not receive services explaining why the service was not provided. Referred to Administration. Additionally, Mr. Buttane requested that a meeting be arranged between Senator Sackett and Rep. Vaska and the City Council prior to the legislative session. Referred to Administration.

John Hastie requested that Council review the City's sales tax ordinance to see if the tax on utility payments was a double tax on the residents. Additionally, Mr. Hastie suggested that the City could realize a substantial gain in revenue if the reduced fee for City services granted to City employees was discontinued. Mr. Hastie also inquired as to how the CSP vehicle was acquired and if the vehicle would be available to a non-profit organization for use as a CSP vehicle. City Manager stated that the vehicle was purchased with funds received from SOADA and that it might be possible to transfer the vehicle to a newly established CSP program.

Councilmember Twitchell reported on his attendance at the AML meeting in Juneau. He urged Councilmembers to attend future AML meetings. Mr. Twitchell requested that the laundromat expand its hours. City Manager Hoffman reported to Council that there is money in the budget for expansion of laundromat and that if a major expansion is viewed as desirable, a bonding issue for such a plan could be presented to the voters.

Councilmember Veit and Al Kramer stated that a laundromat was usually a private enterprise activity. City Manager Hoffman stated that the City undertook the operation of the laundromat when the City was able to receive grant monies for its construction. Additionally, high water costs and the high cost of personnel have made the operation of the laundromat economically unfeasible for private enterprise.

Diane Carpenter requested that water and electrical meters be placed at the laundromat to monitor the actual cost for the City to operate the facility. Referred to Public Works.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Item A: Ordinance  
147

PUBLIC HEARING ON ORDINANCE 147, ADOPTION OF  
COASTAL ZONE PLAN FOR BETHEL

The Public hearing was opened at 8.28 pm. CZM Planner Cheryl Keepers reviewed for Council the document.

A discussion took place concerning alleged zoning aspects of the proposed Ordinance. Andy Edge and Al Kramer stated that the question of zoning should go before the voters as zoning and not under the description of a coastal zone plan.

Assistant Planner Gaber, Councilmember Sullivan, and Ms. Keepers stated that the proposed Ordinance was not a zoning ordinance. They reminded Council that a zoning ordinance would be before Council at the next Council meeting.

Councilmember Buttane urged adoption of the proposed ordinance.

Councilmember Hoffman was opposed to the ordinance indicating that the ordinance would lead to zoning.

The Council recessed from 9.09 to 9.23 pm.

Councilmember Veit asked if the Plan was advisory or mandatory and if it was possible to withdraw the Plan once adopted. Ms. Keepers noted that the Plan was advisory and that the State plan allows for amendment of the Plan and that City ordinances allow for the repeal of ordinances. Ms. Keepers indicated that an ordinance was required for the adoption of the Plan to satisfy State and Federal requirements.

The public hearing was closed at 9.46 pm.

M/M by Buttane, 2nd by Sullivan to adopt Ordinance 147 with an implementation date of December 31, 1983. Poll vote, motion carried - 5 yea, 1 nay (Hoffman voting no).

Item B: Taxi Per-  
mit, Tony Lewis

TAXI PERMIT - TONY LEWIS

City Manager Hoffman reviewed the Transportation Committee recommendation approving the addition of Mr. Lewis' daughter's name to his taxi permit. M/M by Buttane, 2nd by Twitchell to adopt the Transportation Committee's recommendation regarding Tony Lewis' taxi permit request. Voice vote, motion carried.

motion

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

TAXI PERMIT - ISAAC MUTE

Item C: Tax  
Permit

City Manager Hoffman reviewed for Council the Transportation Committee's recommendation denying Mr. Mute's request to change from a limosine to taxi operation. M/M by Buttane, 2nd by Sullivan to approve the request by Mr. Mute to change from a limo operation to a taxi operation. Voice vote, motion failed.

motion

motion

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

Item D: Calista  
Sand Agreement

CALISTA SAND AGREEMENT

City Manager Hoffman reviewed for Council the proposed agreement in which Calista would grant a quitclaim deed for the land presently used by the City as a sand pit. The City would retain the right to use the sand from the pit but only for public purposes. M/M by Sullivan, 2nd by Twitchell to accept the sand agreement with Calista and directing the Administration to present the document to Calista for execution. Voice vote, motion carried. Hoffman abstained.

motion

Item E: Rifle  
Range site

RIFLE RANGE SITE

Parks/Recreation Director Parker presented to Council a proposal for the establishment of a rifle range at the old dump site on Hanger Lake Road. Money is available from State funds for the development of the site as a rifle range. Shoot- would be in the direction of the NW quarter.

Councilmember Sullivan asked if the neighbors in the area had been asked if they approved of the site selection and if the matter had been before the Planning Commission. Councilmmeber Buttane also inquired as to local resident input into the site location. P/Rec. Director Parker noted that the residents of the area had not been interviewed as to the site selection and that the site had not been before the Planning Commission.

The matter was tabled pending neighborhood input into the site location and review by the Planning Commission.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS  
CONT

Item F: CSP/Human  
Shelter

CSP/HUMAN SHELTER PROPOSAL

Al Kramer, Chairperson of the citizens committee seeking to establish a human shelter for Bethel, addressed Council concerning the two meetings held by the residents of Bethel concerning the establishment of a human center. The committee is looking for a building in which to locate the human center. One possible site is the former Buck Rogers Disco Building.

City Manager Hoffman reported to Council that the Administration has met with Governor Sheffield on the protective custody issue and that the Governor's office has expressed an interest in establishing a walk-in facility at Bethel using the old PHS hospital as a possible walk-in site. The City Administration is still seeking State financial assistance for the community service patrol.

Diane Carpenter noted that Commissioner Lewis of the Governor's office had indicated that the Governor was looking at the new PHS hospital as a treatment center for intoxicated persons, not the old PHS site. The Administration would ask the Governor's office for a clarification of this matter.

City Manager Hoffman reported to Council that an alternative for funding a CSP program for Bethel would be the imposition of a use tax on alcohol shipped to Bethel, designating that use tax revenue for a CSP program.

Councilmember Buttane opposed the establishment of a walk-in center for Bethel stating that the problem is a regional one and needs a regional solution.

Councilmember Hoffman spoke in favor of the walk-in center.

Council directed the Administration to prepare a use tax ordinance for presentation to the Finance Committee for review. Council took no other action on the matter.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS DOGS  
CONT

Item G: Dogs

Councilmember Hoffman requested that Council direct the Administration to reinstitute the emergency dog ordinance.

City Manager Hoffman noted for Council that Council had suspended the operation of the emergency dog ordinance pending completion of the dog pound. The City Manager reported to Council that the dog pound has not been completed due to the death in the family of Mr. Drury who was doing the work on the dog pound for the City. The City Manager requested that Council approve the expenditure of \$2800 for completion of the dog pound, the amount to be used to hire replacement workers to complete the dog pound.

motion

M/M by Buttane, 2nd by Sullivan directing the Administration to expend \$2800 for completion of the dog shelter. Voice vote, motion carried.

ADJOURNMENT

M/M by Sullivan to adjourn. The meeting adjourned at 11 pm.

PASSED AND APPROVED THIS *28th* DAY OF NOVEMBER, 1983.

ATTEST:

  
Wayne J. Maier, City Clerk

  
John Guinn, Mayor

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