

CALL TO ORDER

Councilman Warner was unanimously selected to Acting Mayor until Mayor Carpenter shows up later in the meeting. Acting Mayor Warner called the meeting to order at 7:40 PM.

ROLL CALL

Present: Anvil, Carpenter (Tardy), Dale, Hoffman, Kelly, Trantham and Warner.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

No minutes presented for approval.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

M/M by Trantham, 2nd by Anvil to approve the agenda with the following additions: under Unfinished Business, add Item B: AML/JIA Insurance; under New Business, add Item E: Resolution #617 - Election Judges. Voice vote, motion carried.

MAYOR'S REPORT

Mayor's report postponed until she shows up later.

MANAGER'S REPORT

City Manager Chinn reported to Council on the following subject matters:

- interviewed a few Finance Director applicants;
- response from Attorneys received on the draft Port Ordinance and copy given to Councilman Warner - Council representative for Port Commission;
- meeting with Senator Stevens and Colonel Kaekel went well and good reception given; indicated that they were committed to Bethel projects;
- met with representatives from Corps of Engineers - assuming funds budgeted for this project would be there. City renting them a skiff to do their project;

Councilman Trantham requested that he be provided a copy of detailed budget breakdown; and regarding the policy statements done by Admin/Personnel Officer Pavil - indicated he was concerned about it and requested it be put on hold.

POLICE DEPARTMENT
REPORT

Lieutenant Chris Liu reported to Council on the following subject items:

- meeting with cab owners scheduled for September 12 through 16th for vehicle inspections;
- significant increase in property crimes; more protective custody pick-ups this month;
- indicated that September was the month to start Community Service Officers;
- electrical and heating still being worked on at the dog pound to be done by Friday.

COUNCILMEMBER COMMENT

Councilman Dale indicated that nothing had been done on the clean up of the southramp at the Small Boat Harbor; requested what the status was on the Isan's purchase of the Guinn Building during auction of '87 and indicated that debt should not be charged interest since it was City's fault in losing the money from the auction, but to go ahead and accept the re-written checks; further asked what the status was on the purchase of vehicles. City Manager Chinn indicated that an RFP had been put together and turned into his office for approval but response was being waited on specifications from Worthington Ford,

COUNCILMEMBER COMMENT
continued

City Manager Chinn further indicated that he would double check with Purchasing on the status of Worthington Ford's reply.

Mayor Carpenter arrived at this time (8:15pm) and took over the meeting.

Councilman Anvil indicated that he's been watching the old cemetery fill up slowly and that people do not like to use the new cemetery due to it being slushy and moist; wanted people to be involved in looking for a new cemetery that's high and dry since the old cemetery is starting to go towards the street. Councilman Anvil further indicated that he would like to see something done before next year. Further discussed with Council the concern of re-activating the curfew ordinance since school has started. Lieutenant Liu indicated that it would be hard to enforce as law. Councilman Dale suggested that the CSO's at least check the disco, Kusko Inn and other major hang out areas and have the kids go home. Lieutenant Liu to report back to Council on the curfew issue.

Councilman Hoffman asked what the status was on the school bus shelters, since winter is on it's way and school now in process. City Manager Chinn indicated that it had been sent to Public Works Committee but have not received any reply as of today.

Councilman Trantham reminded the public that the declaration for candidacy will begin on September 5, 1988 and encouraged public to run for Council. Further indicated that meeting was held with ONC, BNC, KuC which they expressed that they are interested in having an Arbor day or week in conjunction with Clean-up, green-up the City holds each year; indicated that they are willing to work with Clean-up committee, planting trees, etc.

Councilman Warner reiterated the letter received from AVCP Regional Housing Authority regarding the \$50,000.00 payment; after discussion with Council following motion was made.

motion

M/M by Warner, 2nd by Dale that Administration move immediately to pay AVCP HA, not to exceed \$50,000.00 and apologize to Mr. Guinn and AVCP HA for misunderstanding and to still continue a good relationship. Voice vote, motion carried unanimously.

Councilman Warner further brought to Council's attention on a motion that was made by Councilman Dale over a year ago regarding the remaining fund from AVCP HA go to the Port fund, and to recording recording fee.

motion

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M/M by Dale, 2nd by Warner to award \$60,000.00 to Port fund, \$17,900 to water pressurization, and \$500.00 for recording fee for easements. Poll vote, all in favor.

COUNCILMEMBER COMMENT
continued

Council further discussed the impression of new employees hired under a contract; Council expressed their concern that only the one's hired by the City Council should be under contract; since in the past Council had tried to do away with contracted employees.

Council discussed with City Manager Chinn on the tide land lease survey status. After discussion, Administration was directed to proceed with the tide land lease survey. After further discussion, it was pointed out that Port Commission had also agreed to proceed with survey of tide land lease.

Mayor Carpenter indicated that Senator Stevens showed support of Bethel region; Colonel Kaekel felt the visit was worthwhile; expressed her appreciation to Police Department of their hard work this summer with increase in crime; PATC progressing along; PC situation had not changed; received number of complaints from the public on increase of bootlegging in the community; indicated that public hearing needed to be set for input on bootlegging enforcement issue after the September 13th special election is held; received reply from City attorneys on the port ordinance draft and indicated that the sales tax, transportation and port ordinances were still in the process of being reviewed and that Council would need to work on them also.

Councilman Dale expressed the need of having a Staff Attorney on board and asked that it be placed on the next agenda. Mayor Carpenter asked that it be placed on the agenda per Councilman Dale's request.

REPORTS OF STANDING
COMMITTEES

Councilman Warner reported that the Port Commission met on the following items: Port Ordinance; RFP for installation of dock fence be rewritten and sent out; report requested from Attorney regarding Binkley lease; status on removal of private property on dock; Donna Chris' resignation from Port Commission.

Councilman Warner further reported Planning Commission met and main discussion was on the property North of Kemp Paulucci building; BNC desirous of bidding for additional 50 feet to North of Kemp Paulucci property. Indicated that bid for lease extension was required. After discussion with Council, it was decided to advertise of public bid of additional land for 3 weeks.

motion

M/M by Warner, 2nd by Trantham that Council give conceptual approval for lease of that property to Kemp Paulucci. Voice vote, motion carried.

Councilman Warner further indicated that Planning Technician Little was working on revising the ordinance.

PEOPLE TO BE HEARD

Anna Thompson representing her mother Annie David, approached Council regarding the Annie David Native Allotment. Her basic concern was that City has been using her allotment as Kuskokwim 300 start/finish line and that she was against that. City Manager Chinn indicated that currently it was under legal action regarding the Annie David Native Allotment, and suggested to Council that they hold off on making any decisions until City hears from the City Attorney. It was also indicated that Bureau of Land Management will hold a hearing with allotment owners in November, 1988; Council decided not to make any decisions until after the November 1988 hearing.

Isan's Pizza owner addressed Council regarding the City of Bethel businesses. Indicated that if City has a listing to go around and check businesses to see if they have any current business licenses and if infact they were paying sales taxes.

COUNCIL BREAK 10:06 PM to 10:16 PM.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

Item A: Ambulance/
Protective Custody
Fees

AMBULANCE / PROTECTIVE CUSTODY FEES

Council discussed with Police Chief Clayton and Fire Chief Mark Barker regarding the protective custody cases and the ambulance services that the City provides. Police Chief Clayton explained to Council that Officers time is spent mostly on from the time the pick up the P.C., transfer to Hospital if necessary and wait, then escort to the jail, and then waits again until the protective custody case is accepted.

motion

M/M by Dale, 2nd by Trantham to set a fee of \$75.00 for protective custody cases, for transportation to jail; and ambulance rates be raised from \$75.00 plus tax to \$150.00; and holding overnight at the jail be \$150.00.

Council discussed in length of pro's and con's of raising the rates of ambulance and charging for PC's. It was brought up for those people that might not be able to pay their ambulance bills or their PC bills; it was indicated that if they can buy a \$40.00 to \$70.00 bottle, they can afford to pay their PC bills. Councilman Warner requested that within 90 days to give a report on status from the PC and ambulance runs from both Police Department and Fire Department to Council.

Poll vote on motion, 5-yes; 2-no (Hoffman and Kelly)

Item B: AML/JIA
Issue

AML/JIA ISSUE

Council briefly discussed with City Manager Chinn on the status of AML/JIA issue. He indicated that Ketchikan Gateway Borough had not made any decisions and recommendation from Attorney was to not pay the joint insurance fee. After further discussion on

Item B: AML/JIA
Issue continued
otion

the matter, Council made the following motion.

M/M by Dale, 2nd by Warner to table the issue until the next meeting. Voice vote, motion carried.

NEW BUSINESS:

Item A: Canvass of
Ballots & Certifica-
tion of Election

CANVASSING OF BALLOTS & CERTIFICATION OF ELECTION

City Clerk McGowan reviewed with Council the question and absentee ballots, and indicated that the ones that were not registered voters were taken out.

motion

M/M by Dale, 2nd by Kelly to certify the August 23, 1988 special election with a total of 253 yes votes and 374 no votes on the "Shall the sale of alcoholic be prohibited in Bethel, Alaska except by restaurant or eating place licenses?" question. Voice vote, motion carried.

Item B: Fish Tenders

FISH TENDERS

motion

M/M by Dale, 2nd by Warner to table item until the next regular Council meeting. Voice vote, motion carried.

Item C: Taxi Cab
Lease/Sales Tax

TAXI CAB LEASE / SALES TAX

Council briefly discussed the issue of taxi services being charged a 5% sales tax like any other business in town.

motion

M/M by Dale, 2nd by Warner that income received from taxi service be levied 5% sales tax like any other business, and that taxes not be retroactive for past services, with an effective date of September 1, 1988. Poll vote, motion carried. 6-yes; 1-no (Trantham).

Item D: Mission
Road Bulkhead Issue

MISSION ROAD BULKHEAD ISSUE

Mayor Carpenter referred the matter over to the Port Commission.

Item E: Resolution
#618-Election Judges

RESOLUTION #618 - ELECTION JUDGES

motion

M/M by Warner, 2nd by Trantham to accept Resolution #618 - election judges for the September 13th special election, as presented. Voice vote, motion carried.

Item F: Executive
Session-Sales Tax
Audit

EXECUTIVE SESSION - SALES TAX AUDIT

M/M by Warner, 2nd by Kelly to go into executive session to review specific audits, and also to include City of Bethel vs Tundra Press case, and anticipate no action. Voice vote, motion carried.

Council went into executive session at 12:03 PM.

ADJOURNMENT

M/M by Dale, 2nd by Kelly to adjourn the meeting
at 12:45 PM. Voice vote, motion carried.

PASSED AND APPROVED THIS 11th DAY OF October, 1988.

Clara Kelly

Clara Kelly, for Diane Carpenter Mayor

ATTEST:

Anna McGowan

Anna McGowan, City Clerk