

CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Warner called the meeting to order at 7:34 PM.

ROLL CALL

PRESENT: Feaster, Trantham, Vanasse, Wallace and Warner.

ABSENT: Dale and Edge (out of town).

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

M/M by Feaster, 2nd by Wallace to accept the minutes of 07/24/90 minutes with the following corrections: Page 3, 1st paragraph, add the description of water truck to the subject of vehicle being on the budget line item; on the 1st motion on the page: further describe the location of the yellow building with 'by Kuskokwim Inn on 3rd Avenue'; and on page 4: under People to be Heard, add word 'of' to the 5th sentence. Voice vote, motion carried.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

M/M by Feaster, 2nd by Vanasse to accept the agenda with the following deletion: under New Business, table Item A Introduction Ordinance 196 - Police Liability Insurance to the August 28th agenda. Voice vote, motion carried.

MAYOR'S REPORT

Mayor Warner indicated the only report he had was to direct Administration to advertise that there are Committee/Commission vacancies in Public Works Committee, Port Commission, Parks & Recreation Committee and Transportation Commission.

MANAGER'S REPORT

City Manager Earnest reviewed his written Manager's report with Council on the following subject items:

- increasing quantity of rock authorized under the Governor's July 10 state disaster declaration from 3,200 tons to 5,500 tons for the Emergency bulkhead repair; Army Corps of Engineers authorized City's permit modification request for placing additional 1,675 cubic yards of riprap along a 230 linear foot section of the Mission Road Bulkhead and at the down stream end of the Mission Road bulkhead;
- water and sewer truck expected to be inspected the week of August 26th either by the Public Works Director or Vehicle & Equipment Foreman, and vehicles to be shipped out with the last barge if accepted;
- proposed vehicle impound yard consisting of a fenced yard adjacent to the dog impound yard; tasks to include installation of chain link fence and locking gate and method of construction consisting of competitive bid and/or trade for surplus building material;
- first phase of City Office Complex water storage tank project consisting of leveling of the water storage tank and long term solution consisting of performing a soils analysis and taking corrective measures to mitigate future subsidence of the tank;
- proposed City Office Complex electrical distribution system project consists of replacing the existing electrical distribution system adjacent to the Braund Building with individual service connects and meters for each building; proposed method of construction consists of professional service agreement

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- and/or trade with Bethel Utilities Corporation;
- DEC - Village Safe Water Program has authorized expenditures in the amount of \$328,823 for the sewage lagoon island removal project; Bethel Contractors been awarded bid and they had submitted proposed revised work schedule and a request to waive performance bond requirement was also received and Administration currently reviewing request;
 - rock placement on the outfall line/dump point access road to the sewage lagoon dike improvement should begin this week;
 - waste oil burner for the Public Works Department been ordered on August 6th;
 - approximately 50 feet of boardwalks been constructed along 4th avenue and 4 laborers hired;
 - invitation for bids for selling the police boat presently being advertised with a minimum bid of \$25,000;
 - Police Department exploring an experimental vehicle program in an effort to reduce overall operational costs and develop a police vehicle specifically designed and equipped to withstand the demands placed upon public safety transport systems in Rural Alaska; if successful, Bethel Police Department would act as test base for experimental prototype vehicles;
 - public safety communications system project consists of replacing existing public safety communications system; engineering study which was done by Motorola Company currently being evaluated;
 - Police Department evaluating options for police liability coverage; Scottsdale Insurance Company had dropped police liability coverage in Alaska and limited coverage presently available with City's insurance broker;
 - Teen Center Advisory Board first meeting was held July 17th; purpose of advisory board is to coordinate community resources dedicated to our youth and develop a broader relationship by the Teen Center, next meeting scheduled for August 14th;
 - Police Department submitted a preliminary traffic safety grant proposal to the Alaska Department of Public Safety on July 6th; project to be evaluated by the State during the month of September;
 - expanded staging area on the dock been cleared and leveled; Public Works Department to grade the area this week;
 - the proposed cargo dock bulkhead repair project still in the planning stages and to be on the next Port Commission agenda;
 - materials for repairing cargo dock lights been ordered;
 - an IFB for the purchase and removal of old Binkley office building to be advertised starting next week;
 - the proposed cargo dock warehouse upgrade project consists of bringing the warehouse floor up to grade and installing doors; gravel presently stored inside the building to be excavated and stockpiled outside the building; warehouse floor then to be upgraded with dirt fill and capped with gravel;

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- finger floats been constructed and placed in the Small Boat Harbor and of the \$150,000 appropriated for the project, \$68,484 been expended or encumbered and leaving balance of \$58,891 and funds to be expended by October, 1990; presently working with Alaska Department of Administration for additional allowable projects - specifically requesting modification of grant agreement to include dredging of Small Boat Harbor;
- announce that there was a teleconference scheduled for tomorrow to discuss and review DOT's projects for Bethel through FY'96 to be held in the City Offices conference room, encouraged interested Councilmembers to attend.

Councilman Feaster asked who was going to be inspecting the utility vehicles; it was indicated that either the Public Works Director or the Vehicle and Equipment Foreman. Further asked what the plan was in anchoring the fingerfloats for the winter, since one of the lower units for the cement anchors was broken during the low tide; and status of the phones down at the harbor was that the Port Director was waiting for the parts to come in. Councilman Feaster further asked what the status of the RFP's for the bowling alley, laundromat and Museum was. It was indicated that they were sent to the Attorney for review, and also indicated that the Museum and the Laundromat were the main focus on RFP's since they were time consuming. Status of the City Attorney advertising? It was indicated that only 1 was received and intend to readvertise statewide.

Councilman Trantham on the request for waiver on performance bond of the sewage lagoon island removal, cautioned City to watch real closely; Councilman Vanasse reiterated Councilman Trantham's concern and indicated that it should not be reduced.

Councilman Trantham concluded by requesting a list of City employees whose travel expenses were paid for within this year, since Council had made a motion to withdraw from paying for employee travel expenses to Bethel when first employed.

Councilman Vanasse asked what the status was on the invitation for bid on the police boat; it was indicated that it was still being advertised. Councilman Vanasse further indicated on the bid for the hold Binkley Office building to not put a minimum bid amount on it, and Mayor Warner suggested that it be dismantled by whoever gets the bid. Rest of Council concurred.

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City Manager Earnest concluded by indicating that he had been approached by couple individuals requesting to possibly lease the 2 story red building next to the NAPA Store on 3rd Avenue. After Council discussion, it was asked that it be placed on the Planning Commission's agenda for consideration.

Mayor Warner asked if the City Auction was still on for next week; City Manager Earnest indicated that it was still on for the week of August 26th. Mayor Warner asked what the cost was for the waste oil burner; City Manager Earnest indicated that he did not have the exact cost information at hand.

COUNCILMEMBER COMMENT

Councilman Wallace asked what the status was on the security phones that were put on the budget line item; City Manager Earnest indicated that Public Works Director Bayless, Fire Chief Barker and Police Chief McDonald were working on the matter and that he did not have information at hand but would get it for Council.

Councilman Trantham asked what the status was on the RFP for Building Maintenance; City Manager Earnest indicated that he has the very rough draft RFP and that it was more complex then expected and rough draft to be sent to the Attorney for review.

Councilman Feaster asked if there was going to be a council worksession as scheduled on the budget regarding the state budget cuts. City Manager Earnest indicated that if things did not change, then there would be a worksession scheduled.

Councilman Vanasse discussed with City Manager Earnest on the following items: BNC Land acquisitions - was indicated that Planning Manager is scheduled to meet with AVCP and both to inspect proposed land site; asked for status of the 2nd fill pipe and the electrical report - after discussion on this, City Manager to present report to Council; on hiring Administrative/Personnel Officer, asked if anyone was hired yet, and if not what the hold up was on it. City Manager Earnest indicated that he had scheduled interview, but one person that was to be interviewed had been out of town; Councilman Vanasse requested Council be kept up to date on progress and also requested a report of displaced employees and what is being done to rehire them. Councilman Vanasse further asked why the road grader had not been out much lately, and indicated that the roads needed to be graded.

Mayor Warner asked what the status was on the purchase of a computer; Finance Director Graham indicated that they were still working with IBM and also contingent upon Public Safety moving out.

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employee needed help since he is the only one left while the other left on emergency leave. City Manager Earnest indicated that he was scheduled to meet with the employee tomorrow.

REPORTS OF STANDING
COMMITTEES

Councilman Feaster indicated that there was no quorum for the Finance Committee meeting for the month of July.

Councilman Trantham indicated that an emergency special Public Works Committee meeting was called for, but no quorum was available, but indicated that there was a scheduled meeting next week Tuesday and encouraged anyone who can attend to attend the meeting.

Councilman Vanasse indicated that there might not have been a Parks & Recreation Committee meeting since he was out of town.

Mayor Warner indicated that port commission had not been having a quorum so they have not held any meetings yet. Mayor Warner further indicated that the Planning Commission did meet and following items were discussed: request to lease small portion of City property; ASHA proposal regarding land use ordinance; lot across from Swanson's and requests for rights of way.

PEOPLE TO BE HEARD

No people to be heard at this time.

OLD BUSINESS:
Item A: Public
Hearing Amend 8
to Ord 85

PUBLIC HEARING AMENDMENT #8 TO ORDINANCE #85 - WATER & SEWER RATES.

Mayor Warner opened the floor for public input at this time. Mayor Warner recognized Michael Franks and he pointed out two concerns: first he indicated that the City should look at the liability issue when opening it for public use, the winter icy roads and a gate that would have to be put in; and 2nd would be type of waste that goes in it, example of toxic waste was mentioned. Mr. Franks also indicated that collection of money would be harder to collect than it is now.

Tom Graham also indicated that he was not sure how this would work. He had questions like as to who would collect the money or who would be doing the billing portion. He encouraged Council to look at the money end part of it. After hearing no other input from the floor, Mayor Warner temporarily closed the public hearing and opened the floor for Council input.

Council at this time discussed the amount and the ordinance further in detail. Conclusion being that 2 main concerns needed to be answered: 1) if ordinance is appropriate and 2) if so, at what rate? Mayor Warner indicated Public Works Committee can discuss at their next meeting and make recommenda-

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ations to Council at the August 28th Council meeting. It was also suggested that if Public Works Committee gives a go ahead on the ordinance, to contact the business individuals to attend the August 28th council meeting, and present their business plan.

motion

M/M by Vanasse, 2nd by Wallace to table this item to the next agenda, and get recommendations from Public Works Committee. Voice vote, motion carried.

ADJOURNMENT

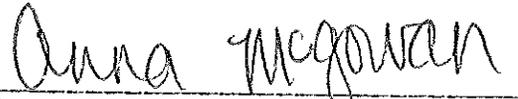
M/M by Feaster, 2nd by Wallace to adjourn the Council meeting of 08/14/90 at 9:07 PM. Voice vote, motion carried.

PASSED AND APPROVED THIS 28th DAY OF August, 1990.



Tom Warner, Mayor

ATTEST:



Anna McGowan, City Clerk