

CALL TO ORDER

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

() ALL CALL

Present: Dale, Edge, Feaster, Trantham, Wallace and Warner.

Absent: Vanasse - excused.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

M/M by Dale, 2nd by Feaster to accept the minutes of 12/12/89 Council meeting with the following correction: page 2, 3rd paragraph, on the last sentence, change the word "trade" to "treat". Voice vote, motion carried.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

M/M by Feaster, 2nd by Trantham to accept the agenda with the following change: postpone under Unfinished Business, Item A: '91 Capital Improvement Plan to the next Council meeting. Voice vote, motion carried.

MAYOR'S REPORT

Mayor Warner indicated that he had no Mayor's report but that he had a message from Councilman Vanasse indicating that Parks and Recreation Committee to hold a meeting on January 2, 1990, 7 PM at the City Offices conference room, and public invited.

MANAGER'S REPORT

Mayor Warner indicated that City Manager Earnest was still out with injury and that Fire Chief Barker had been sitting in for him.

Fire Chief Barker indicated that the main important positions at the city offices had been filled, the position of the Purchasing Agent and the Personnel Technician. Further indicated to Council that Myron Angstman of the K-300 Committee had contacted him and wondered if City could donate one of the shelter cabins for the North of Tuluksak check point during the K-300 race.

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M/M by Dale, 2nd by Trantham that one of the cabins be donated to Kuskokwim 300 and all expenses borne for transportation and erection, be borne by that organization. Voice vote, motion carried.

Mayor Warner requested that Kuskokwim 300 make sure that where they put the cabin meets the approval of the local people near Tuluksak. Fire Chief Barker indicated that Kuskokwim 300 indicated that if the cabin was to be donated, that they would get approval and permission from Tuluksak people.

Fire Chief Barker indicated that Finance Director Graham and Administration were putting a schedule together for Finance Department revolving around printing off the budgets and to inform Council as to when certain budgets would be done, etc. Finance Director Graham apologized to Council for not following the original schedule, but indicated that this schedule would be more efficient for both Finance, Department heads and Council.

Councilman Trantham asked if it would help expedite the process if overtime was approved for Finance

MANAGER'S REPORT
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personnel; Finance Director Graham concurred with Councilman Trantham. He then encouraged Administration to make sure there was enough money in finance budget for overtime, but no more than 8 hours overtime per 40 hour week, per person.

COUNCILMEMBER COMMENT

Councilman Wallace indicated that at the last meeting, Council voted to give Mr. Ron Peltola utility services, and wondered why his utility services were ceased. Fire Chief Barker indicated that Mr. Peltola had been given one days fill of water, and since he signed up for utility services, his building was inspected and due to certain violations, his utility services were discontinued until his violations were corrected. Council further discussed the matter with Fire Chief Barker. Councilman Dale indicated that he wanted it on record that the intent of his motion was to afford him with utility services until such time that City does something with those easements. Council discussion took place on the clarification of the motion; Councilman Edge concluded by indicating that if she had better understanding of the ordinances, she probably would have voted the other way around too. Mayor appreciated the attachments to the letter since it refreshed memories as to the requirements for utility services. It was indicated that nothing could be done with Councilman Vanasse not at the meeting.

Councilman Trantham indicated that he had several calls concerning the City Manager's visibility by both radio and television, since his goals when he was hired was to be visible, and that so far he had been on yuk-to-yuk only once.

Councilman Dale indicated that the Public Works Department was slow with the utility billings, and proposed to Council that utility billings be transferred down to Finance Department, under the supervision of the Finance Director.

motion

M/M by Dale, 2nd by Wallace that utility billings be under the direction of Finance Department effective January 1, 1990.

Councilman Feaster indicated that this had been discussed with the Finance Director once before, but were looking at September, 1990 to do so. Finance Director Graham indicated that Council should keep in mind that the Finance office uses IBM System 36, and where as Utility billings use System 34, both being completely different. Council further discussed the matter with Finance Director Graham.

poll vote

Poll vote on motion, motion failed. 3-yes; 3-no (Feaster, Trantham, & Warner).

Councilman Dale asked what the status was on hiring for the Admin/Personnel Officer position since the Fire Chief had a job to do and can not be at the

COUNCILMEMBER COMMENT
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City Offices full time when the City Manager is out. Fire Chief Barker indicated that the applications for Admin/Personnel Officer and Police Chief were on the City Manager's desk and ready for final review.

motion

M/M by Feaster, 2nd by Trantham that Finance Director present to Council with a plan within two weeks to take over the utility billing system. Voice vote, motion carried.

Councilman Edge indicated that she had noticed vehicles coming into Bethel that get stuck by the mouth of the brown slough; indicated they were using wire from the seawall to get themselves unstuck. She further indicated she saw the same thing happening tonight and requested the situation be looked into. Acting Police Chief Liu was directed to do so.

COMMITTEE/COMMISSION
REPORTS

Councilman Dale indicated that Transportation Commission met and topics discussed were: Police Dept. not fully equipped to do taxi vehicle inspections, and to see if Council could come up with some alternatives for taxi vehicle inspections. Council requested that Transportation Commission come up with some ideas and present Council with some proposals. Councilman Dale further indicated that worksession was scheduled for December 27, 1989, 7 PM at the City Offices conference room, to review the vehicle for hire ordinance.

Councilman Trantham indicated that the scheduled public works committee meeting last Tuesday did not have a quorum, and requested that Mayor reappoint 3 positions. He indicated that since there was no quorum, a worksession was held which the following items were discussed: insullatin of water truck; guests in favor of vehicle repairs at the shop to keep employee moral up; and certain honey bucket pick ups that are inconvenient, maybe hook-up to sewer line; and City look into certain non-profits that receive utility services for free.

PEOPLE TO BE HEARD

Antone Anvil requested that Council maybe include in their capital improvement plan, the wall across the slough, from about Hoffman's residence to the Brown Slough Marina, to help better the looks of Bethel and for the safety of the people. Mayor Warner indicated that supplies such as H-beams and ties were bought, but money ran out for installation of the seawall.

COUNCIL BREAK 8:35 PM to 8:40 PM.

NEW BUSINESS:
Item A: Amend 1
to Ord 190-Sales
Tax

INTRODUCTION AMENDMENT 1 TO ORDINANCE 190-SALES TAX

M/M by Dale, 2nd by Trantham to introduce Amendment 1 to Ordinance 190-Sales tax, for public hearing on January 9, 1990 council meeting. Voice vote, motion carried.

Item B: Set Elec-
tion Date

SET A DATE FOR SPECIAL LOCAL OPTION ELECTION

Mayor Warner reviewed with Council Title 4 and Title 29 as to see if there was a certain time limit to set an election date; in reviewing them, they found out that there were no time limits set.

motion

M/M by Dale, 2nd by Trantham that election date be set for the next regularly scheduled municipal election, which will be the first Tuesday of October 1990. Voice vote, motion carried.

Mayor Warner reminded Council to keep in mind that the petition was calling for a special election under Title 4.11.502; Councilman Dale indicated he understood and the reason why he had made the motion.

Item C: Business
Closing Hours

BUSINESS CLOSING HOURS

Councilman Dale indicated that the business closing hours ordinance had it's good intentions one time, but indicated that some of the places should be deleted from the ordinance so they can be open 24 hours a day, and made an example of a convenience store for if milk or diapers were needed, would be available for that person. Council further discussed the issue with Acting Police Chief Liu and he indicated that disco and other game halls should be kept closed between the hours of 1 am and 6 am for better crowd control. After further discussion on the ordinance, Administration was directed to prepare an amendment to the business closing hours ordinance to be introduced at the January 9th Council meeting.

ADJOURNMENT

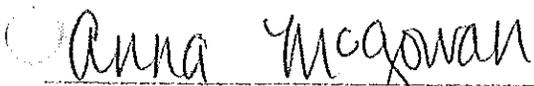
M/M by Dale, 2nd by Feaster to adjourn the meeting at 9:17 PM. Voice vote, motion carried.

PASSED AND APPROVED THIS 9th DAY OF JANUARY, 1990.



Tom Warner, Mayor

ATTEST



Anna McGowan, City Clerk