

# CITY of BETHEL

P. O. Box 537 • Bethel, Alaska 99559

May 20, 1971

## Regular Council Meeting May 10, 1971

### CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order by Councilman Bruce Crow at 8:00 PM May 10, 1971, VFW, Bethel.

### ROLL CALL

Present: Baxter, Crow, Dale, Guinn and Murphy  
Absent: Hoffman and Zahradnicek

M/M Crow/Baxter that John Guinn serve as mayor protemp for the meeting.  
Motion passed unimous by voice vote.

### MINUTES

Minutes of Regular Council Meeting of April 26, 1971 and Special Council Meeting of May 5, 1971 were read and approved as read.

### COMMUNICATIONS

Letter dated 4-28-71 from Room 18, Bethel State School requesting a change in Dog Control procedure.

Letter dated 4-25-71 from Napaskiak Village Council requesting certain persons from Napaskiak not be sold liquor in Bethel because of unsafe river travel this time of year.

M/M Crow?/ Dale the City Administrator respond appropriately to both matters.  
Motion passed unimous by voice vote.

### COMPLAINTS AND PEOPLE TO BE HEARD

Art Nicholson requesting an agenda item for water to discuss his one and one half cent per gallon offer to sell water to the City.

M/M Murphy/Dale we place Art Nicholson's water proposal on tonights agenda.  
Motion passed by voice vote.

### TREASURERS REPORT

Written report to Council in meeting packet.

### ADMINISTRATORS REPORT

The City Administrator advised Council of pertinent legislative decisions. That the liquor bill had passed giving Cities with 3,500 population or less exclusive rights to package stores, stipulating no package stores within ten miles of the City limits.

The Bill on elenent domain passed.

The City Administrator reported that Rep. Hohman was trying to initiate a changein shared revenue legislation which would qualify the Pre-Maternal Home.

*"Deep Sea Port and Transportation Center of the Kuskokwim"*

MAYORS REPORT

None

STANDING COMMITTEE REPORTS

Councilman Crow reported all the liquor resolutions were ready and would be considered at the next regular meeting. He reminded of the Economic Development meeting Thursday noon at the Kuskokwim Inn dining room.

OLD BUSINESS

None

NEW BUSINESS

Bethel Heights roads- United Transportation requested the agenda item. Mr. Lareaux wanted to know if the special funding by HUD for Bethel Heights road repair didn't require bid letting.

The City Administrator stated that three weeks ago HUD provided funding for repair of Bethel Heights roads, the amount was based on our existing road maintenance contract with Dale Construction Co. and HUD made no provision for bid calling on the work.

There was question about doing Bethel Heights roads on existing City Road maintenance contract, when the City had no responsibility to Bethel Heights roads as of yet. The necessity of immediate road repair in Bethel Heights was weighted against the traditional thirty day bid request, had the work been put to bid.

M/M Dale/Murphy that the Administrator be directed to ask HUD people if they want to bid roads or leave like it is.

The Council also discussed bringing roads up to passable condition then putting the balance of work up for bid.

Roll Call Vote

YES-Baxter, Dale, Guinn, Murphy

NO-Crow

M/M Crow/Dale that the City Administrator call HUD/ASHA and ascertain if they would consider letting bids on Bethel Heights roads.  
Motion passed by unanimous voice vote.

Art Nicholson wanted to speak to his water proposal discussed at another meeting. He offered to sell water to the City of Bethel for one and one half cent per gallon loaded at Nicholson's well. Art Nicholson would maintain the well and treatment plant. He said the price was based on the amount delivered in a 12 month period which was two and one half million gallons coming to \$35,000 per annum.

Council requested a re-read of the major motion at Special Meeting of April 5, 1971.

The Clerk read the motion.

Art Nicholson then stated he would sell water to the City for one cent per gallon.

M/M Baxter/Murphy to open the topic for floor discussion.  
Motion carried by voice vote.

Several questions were asked about the pump house operation.  
Chlorinating and fluorinating the water? Yes.

There were no accurate figures available on the operation of the will and pump house, costs of chemicals, heat, and electricity because it has never been operated before now.

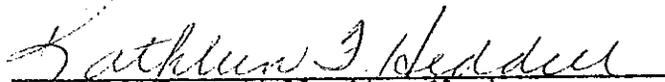
Councilman Crow called for a point of order, Council should rest on it's previous decession.

M/M Murphy we accept Art Nicholson's proposal of selling water to the City for one cent per gallon.  
Motion died for want of a Second.

M/M Crow/Dale for meeting to adjourn.  
Motion carried by voice vote.

Adjournment-9:00 PM

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

  
Kathleen F. Heddell, City Clerk

  
William B. Zahradnick, Mayor