CITY of BETHEL

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REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING
May 29,1974

KYUK STUDIO 7: 30 P.M.

Meeting was called to order by Mayor Hoffman at 7:45 P.M.
Present: Crow, Murphy, Richardson, Connick
Absent: Nicori, Gregory (came in at 10:00 P.M.)
Interpreter: Albert Aknayuke

Minutes of May 13,1974, meeting were read to Council by Edge. Corrections: Under Mayor's Report, money was given from KVMA instead of BIA on dog inoculation.

M/M Crow that we approve minutes as read and corrected.
Voice Vote, unanimous in favor. Motion passed.

Translation

COMMUNICATIONS

Letters from Richard Stokes, Pesticide Program Supervisor to Vern Keezer, Quarterly Report on Bethel Heights Water and Sewer system from Jordon Suhr, Letter to Bernard Kelly, Northwest Federal Regional Council, Letter to Chief Minjum from Carl Hickles, Division of Corrections; Mike Gravel regarding Brown Slough were read by Edge.

M/M Connick that we make Camp Fire Girls Proposal an agenda item, place under item E, New Business.
Voice Vote, Unanimous in favor. Motion passed.

MANAGER'S REPORT Read by Edge

MAYOR'S REPORT His trip to Fort Yukon was very effective and found it a thriving little village. He also attended the Corp of Engineer meeting in Aniak last week, very few attendance. One of the items discussed was the canal to be built and freight rates.

Translation

The Public Safety Committee met last week and these are some of the items brought up:
Murphy- a. Need new heavy duty police truck
b. Jail guards & patrolmen lowest pay in State
c. Roof on fire station should be retarred this summer.
d. Short on volunteer firemen.
e. Field by teen building should be filled in and leveled.

Murphy introduced Mr. Klem Klemenston, with the State Retirement Fund of Juneau to the Council. He will be in the area for a day or two discussing the possibilities of a Retirement Plan for the Police Department.

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M/M Connick that the Retirement Fund be made an agenda item and placed under Item F, New Business
Voice Vote, Unanimous in favor. Motion passed.

There was a brief discussion on a matter of the City owing the State $10,865.52 which will be researched by City Manager.

PEOPLE TO BE HEARD

Murphy- Bid on dock facilities, final plans have not been shown.
Hoffman- Bids to be opened on the 25th of July.
Edge- Plans have been received and are in City Office for inspection.

Translation

Connick- New speed signs should be put up in Brown Slough and also post "No swimming" signs.
Richardson- Spoke on janitor for Braund Building.
Connick-We have no money in the budget for full time janitor.
Edge- We are trying to work out a solution for part time janitor now.

OLD BUSINESS

Rabbit Cab Permit, Item A
A lengthy discussion was held on this item, a report from the Transportation Committee by unanimous agreement of the Committee 3 permits were to be transferred to Hugh Short and the other 3 permits be terminated.
Mr. Debenham, Attorney for Hugh Short, spoke on agreements, number of permits, transfers and amendments, etc.

Gregory came in at 10:00 P.M.

M/M Connick that Council Meeting go beyond 10:00 P.M.
Voice Vote, unanimous in favor. Motion passed.

Mayor called for a ten minute recess.

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M/M Crow that this matter be tabled until after the City Manager's hearing on June 10,1974.
Roll Call Vote, 5 ayes and 1 nay,Hoffman. Motion carried.

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Solid Waste Disposal, Item B-CANCELLED

NEW BUSINESS

Bus Proposal, Item A
5 person committee met on May 23rd to discuss the purchase of the Bus company which includes 2 buses, routes, business permits from Hagan and Gillette. They will submit proposal to Council.
M/M Crow that we have the City Manager look into the Federal Aid monies and set up a work session before next Regular Council meeting.
Voice Vote, unanimous in favor. Motion passed.

Resolution #118, Item B
A Resolution setting forth certain procedures to be followed by the Land Use Committee in lot selections, read by Edge.
M/M Connick that the City of Bethel adopt this Resolution.
Roll Call Vote, 5 ayes; Connick, Crow, Murphy, Richardson, Hoffman
1 nay, Gregory. Motion carried.

Swimming Pool- Item C
Murphy-Rubbish should be cleaned out and check water for polution also a life guard should be hired.
M/M Richardson that City Manager find a life guard and put up swimming signs soon as possible.
Roll Call Vote, unanimous in favor. Motion passed.

Museum- Item D
Yupitak Bista Board met and decided the museum should be given back to City of Bethel because of no Grant money.
M/M Connick that the City assume the obligation of Museum and pick up payroll of employees as of May 1,1974.

Camp Fire Girls Proposal, Item E
Letter from Chugack Council on Camp Fire Girls, Joan Hurst, Executive Director, read to Council by Edge.
M/M Connick that we postpone until next scheduled work session which will be June 5,1974 at 8:00 P.M.
Voice Vote, unanimous in favor. Motion passed.

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Connick- This is not an Agenda item but it is a Personnel matter.
M/M Connick that we increase the City Clerk's salary to $1,000 a month.
Roll Call Vote, Unanimous in favor. Motion passed.

Retirement Fund- Item F

The Retirement Fund was discussed briefly by Mr.Klemenston regarding the retirement fund for the Police Department, the benefits, length of service of Police Personnel and deductions.

M/M Richardson that we instruct the City Manager to carry on with what the City of Bethel would have to do to get active in the retirement program for the Police Department as of December 1,1973.
Roll Call Vote, Unanimous in favor. Motion passed.

M/M Crow that we adjourn
Voice vote, unanimous in favor. Motion passed.

Meeting adjourned at 12:30 A.M.

Edward Hoffman Jr
Mayor of Bethel

Marian McLemore
City Clerk