
City of Bethel City Council Meeting Minutes

September 26, 2006

Regular Meeting

Bethel, Alaska

I. CALL TO ORDER

A Regular Meeting of the Bethel City Council was held on September 26, 2006 at 6:30p, in the Council Chambers, Bethel, Alaska.

Mayor Williams called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m.

II. ROLL CALL

Comprising a quorum of the Council, the following were present:

Members present:

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Mayor R. Thor Williams
Council Member Hugh Dyment
Council Member Tundy Rodgers
Council Member Leinberger Dan
Council Member Andrew McGowan
Council Member Dave Trantham
Vice Mayor Mary Kenick

Others present:

City Clerk Sandra Modigh
City Manager Wally Baird

III. PEOPLE TO BE HEARD

1. Willie Keppel addressed Council to state that he is in favor of Ordinance 06-22 and advised Council that he is in opposition of the MOA between the City of Bethel and the Bethel Korean Church and believes this should be brought before the Planning Commission. Mr. Keppel also informed Council that he is in opposition of the Bethel Transit System.
2. Carl Berger addressed Council to speak in favor of the Bethel Transit System.
3. Rick Robb addressed Council to state his opposition to ordinance 06-21. Mr. Robb suggested a revised ordinance/amendment to ordinance 06-21

and read his proposed amendment into the record and provided such to Council.

4. Mike Shantz addressed Council to speak in opposition of ordinance 06-21 and stated that he was in favor of 2 year Council terms.
5. Henry Hunter addressed Council to speak in favor of the Bethel Transit System and stated that there are community organizations that are willing to be major players of the Transit System and the City of Bethel is needed to be an additional player.
6. Will Updegrave addressed Council to state that he is in opposition of ordinance 06-22.
7. Susan Taylor addressed Council to state that there will be a opportunity for a community wide Fire/Response Drill through Public Health Nursing on October 28th. Mrs. Taylor also stated that her home water pressure for over a year has been very low and would like a City representative to take a look this matter before she financially resolves this matter herself.

V. APPROVAL OF THE CONSENT AGENDA AND REGUALR AGENDA

MOVED:	Rodgers	To approve the agenda for the September 26, 2006 Regularly Scheduled City Council Meeting as amended removing ordinance 06-12 (D) and ordinance 06-24 from the consent agenda.
SECONDED:	Leinberger	
MOVED:	Trantham	To suspend the rules to ensure that Council completes the agenda.
SECONDED:	Leinberger	
VOTE ON SECONDARY MOTION	Failed: 2 - 5 Rodgers, Trantham voting for.	
VOTE ON MAIN MOTION	Carried unanimously.	

Council concurred to take a 10 minute recess from 7:30p until 7:44p

IV. SPECIAL ORDER OF BUSINESS

Item A- A Presentation Including A Question & Answer Session By A.T. Stoddard And Dan Moreno, Transit Consultants Regarding The Bethel Public Transit System

City Manager Baird advised Council that this presentation is being conducted to provide Council updated information regarding the current City of Bethel grant related to the Bethel Transit System.

A.T. Stoddard and Dan Moreno, Transit consultants gave a presentation to City Council regarding the Proposed Bethel Public Transit System and provided Council a new operating budget and the Financing Plan.

A.T. Stoddard and Council Members discussed funding options and other communities that operate transit systems off of grants programs.

MOVED:	Kenick	Eliminate the September 30 th drop dead date previously set by Council as amended.
SECONDED:	Trantham	
MOVED:	Leinberger	To amend the motion to postpone the drop dead date until October 31 st .
SECONDED:	Trantham	
MOVED:	Kenick	To amend the amendment to the amendment to postpone the drop dead date to November 30 th .
SECONDED:	Dyment	
MOVED:	Leinberger	to suspend the rules to allow an ONC representative address Council regarding the amendments
SECONDED:	Dyment	
VOTE ON MAIN MOTION	Carried unanimously.	
<p>Mike Samuelson, ONC Representative, addressed Council to advise them of a grant that is due by ONC on October 16th. ONC advised Council that ONC will not submit the grant application unless the City of Bethel agrees to be a joint grantee and advised Council that a Special Meeting between the Councils is necessary.</p>		
MOVED:	Leinberger	To suspend the rules to allow public testimony from Mr. Stoddard
SECONDED:	Trantham	

VOTE ON MAIN MOTION	Carried unanimously.	
VOTE ON MAIN MOTION	Carried: 5 - 2 Williams, McGowan voting against.	
VOTE ON MAIN MOTION	<i>Vote on amendment to the amendment supersedes this vote</i>	
MOVED:	Rodgers	to forward the proposed Bethel Transit System to the Planning Commission for review
SECONDED:		
VOTE ON MAIN MOTION	<i>Motion failed for lack of a second</i>	
VOTE ON MAIN MOTION	Carried: 6 - 1 McGowan voting against.	

MOVED:	Leinberger	To call a Special Meeting on October 6 th between The City of Bethel and ONC to address the Transit Authority Agreement
SECONDED:	Trantham	
VOTE ON MAIN MOTION	Carried unanimously.	

Dan Moreno addressed Council to advise them of the Sitka Transit System and its funding, costs, and grants.

Council concurred to recess from 9:11pm until 9:20pm

Item B- A Proclamation To Proclaim October 2nd-6th, 2006 Customer Service Week

Mayor Williams read for the record the a Proclamation, proclaiming October 2nd-6th, 2006, Customer Service Week

VI. APPROVAL OF MEETING MINUTES

Item A-9/12/06 Regular Meeting Minutes

Meeting minutes approved/ revised on the consent agenda

VII. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Item A- Public Hearing Of Ordinance 06-21: An Ordinance Amending Section 10.02.455 Of The Bethel Municipal Code Pertaining To The Operation Of Snowmobiles And Other Off-Highway Vehicles On Highway And Other Locations

Public Hearing:

1. Chief of Police Ben Dudley provided a power point presentation to Council in opposition of ordinance 06-21.

MOVED:	Kenick	To suspend the rules to allow Chief Dudley to continue his presentation past the 15 minute public testimony time limit.
SECONDED:	Dyment	
VOTE ON MAIN MOTION		
Carried unanimously.		

MOVED:	Leinberger	To suspend the rules to proceed past 10p.
SECONDED:	Dyment	
VOTE ON MAIN MOTION		
Carried: 6 - 1 Rodgers voting against		

2. John O'Brien addressed Council to speak in opposition of Chief Dudley's presentation and in favor of ordinance 06-21.
3. Sharon Tom addressed Council to inquire why we are comparing Bethel to other communities.
4. Norma Rollness addressed Council to state that he agrees with Chief Dudley and would like to see Council devise a solution to please everyone.

MOVED:	Leinberger	To amend the ordinance to insert "upon the fourth offense" after the word cited and before the word under to Section 5 part 2.
SECONDED:	Dyment	

MOVED:	Kenick	To suspend the rules to allow Chief Dudley to answer Council Member inquiries.
SECONDED:	Dyment	
<p>Chief Dudley advised Council that the Police Department does keep track of citations within their data base but not always able to access the details related to the citation through the current data base. Chief Dudley informed Council that they could change the data base if necessary but spoke in opposition to the amendment.</p>		
VOTE ON MAIN MOTION	Carried unanimously.	
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MOVED:	Rodgers	To adopted ordinance 06-21: An Ordinance Amending Section 10.02.455 Of The Bethel Municipal Code Pertaining To The Operation Of Snowmobiles And Other Off-Highway Vehicles On Highway And Other Locations
SECONDED:	Dyment	
MOVED:	Dyment	To amend the motion of section 5.1, to strike out "offense" and insert "citation".
SECONDED:	Kenick	
VOTE ON SECONDARY MOTION	Carried unanimously.	
MOVED:	Trantham	To table ordinance 06-21 to the next city council meeting due to the revisions.
SECONDED:		
VOTE ON SECONDARY MOTION	<i>Failed for lack of a second.</i>	

VOTE ON MAIN MOTION	Carried: 4-3 Williams, Leinberger, and Kenick voting against.
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MOVED:	Kenick	To recess for 10 minutes
SECONDED:	Dyment	
VOTE ON MAIN MOTION	Carried: 5 - 2 Rodgers, Dan voting against.	

Item B- Public Hearing Of Ordinance 06-12(C): An Ordinance Of The Bethel City Council Amending The Adopted Annual FY 2006-07 Budget Establishing A Budget For Court Complex Expansion Capital Fund Project

Public Hearing:
None

MOVED:	Keinck	To adopt ordinance 06-12 (C): An Ordinance Of The Bethel City Council Amending The Adopted Annual FY 2006-07 Budget Establishing A Budget For Court Complex Expansion Capital Fund Project as amended
SECONDED:	Leinberger	
MOVED:	Rodgers	To amend the motion include a line item 10-51-693 in the amount of \$240,000 repay the Armory land remediation.
SECONDED:	McGowan	
MOVED:	Dyment	To amend the amendment to change the line item number to 10-51-771
SECONDED:	Rodgers	
VOTE ON SECONDARY MOTION	Carried: 6 - 1 Williams voting against.	

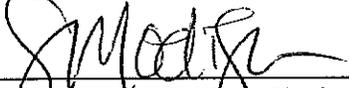
MOVED:	Leinberger	to amend the amendment to direct the City Manager to contact the General on whether payment has to be sent by 9/30/06, if not, then the amendment is null with respect to 06-12 (C) and is redirected as an amendment to ordinance 06-12 (D)
SECONDED:	Kenick	
VOTE ON SECONDARY MOTION	Carried unanimously.	
VOTE ON MAIN MOTION	Carried unanimously.	
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MOVED:	Kenick	To adjourn the meeting at 11:41p.m.
SECONDED:	Rodgers	
VOTE ON MAIN MOTION	Carried: 4 - 3 Williams, Dan, Trantham voting against.	

The meeting adjourned 11:41pm

APPROVED THIS 24th DAY OF OCTOBER, 2006.

ATTEST:


Sandra Modigh, City Clerk


Dan Leinberger, Mayor