

# CITY OF BETHEL

Box 626  
Bethel, Alaska

March 6, 1962

Minutes of Council Meeting of Monday March 5, 1962, National Guard Armory.

Present: Hoffman, Miyasato, Gamble, Shantz and Swanson.

In the absence of the Chairman, Dr. Jackson Dave Swanson was elected as active chairman for the evening.

Minutes of the February 1962 meeting were read and approved.

The Decision of the Bureau of Land Management concerning the garbage disposal area was read.

In accordance with this decision and in order to correct the deficiencies MMS Shantz/Gamble that the Secretary send necessary statements, stating the City of Bethel will use said land for recreational purposes and the City would like to purchase said land, also to inquire at what price the land would sell for. MC

MMS Shantz/Hoffman that the signature of Bernardus J. Smit who was at that time the Secretary of the City Council be recognized as the duly authorized officer of the City of Bethel to sign the application of February 20, 1961 for land to be used as a garbage disposal area. Motion Carried.

A letter was read from Mr. Ditto of Tundra Telephone Co. requesting a meeting of the City Council with him.

MMS Shantz/Miyasato to call a special meeting of the City Council on March 19th at 8:00 P.M. if Mr. Ditto would be able to be present here at that time. MC

Reports: Police Report read.  
Streetlight Committee  
Fire Department

MMS Gamble/Shantz that we accept the report and recommendations of the Streetlight Committee, and the City expend money for necessary poles at a rate of \$1.00 per foot, and for steaming of holes @ \$30.00 per hole. Hoffman, Shantz, Gamble, and Miyasato in favor.

Mr. A. Schmidt reporting for the Fire Committee reported that the quonset hut had been fixed and could be used as soon as oil was provided. The green water truck was ready and would be placed in the Quonset hut as soon as it was heated. The two water pumps were now in working order. Twenty men had volunteered to serve on the Fire Dept. Seven recommendations was submitted by the Committee which is attached hereto.

MMS Hoffman/Shantz that we accept Recommendation No. 1 as stated. Hoffman Shantz, Gamble, and Miyasato in favor.

*The Deep Sea Port of the Kuskokwim*

MMS Shantz/ Hoffman to extend meeting as necessary. MC

MMS Hoffman/Shantz that the City expend \$1,650.00 to purchase items listed in Item No. 2 excluding the truck, and the expense of mounting tank. Hoffman, Shantz, Gamble, and Miyasato in favor.

Item No. 3: Recommend the City Clerk write to the Fairbanks Insurance Agency to see whether our Liability Policy covers firemen. If not what would the additional cost be to cover them.

Item No. 4 MMS Gamble/Shantz to pay \$10.00 per hour rrent for each privately owned water truck used in putting out fires in the City of Bethel. Hoffman, Shantz, Gamble, and Miyasato in favor.

As the Fire Dept. has not been fully organized at this date Item No. 5, 6 & 7 are referred to a future meeting.

MMS Shantz/Gamble to confirm salary of City Clerk at \$150.00 per month on a permanent basis. Hoffman, Shantz, Gamble, and Miyasato in favor.

Correspondence was read concerning the City obtaining the tidelands in front of town. Action on this was reffered to the April meeting.

As not enough detail information was available the two items of Land Leased by MC Co. to Community of Bethel and Rental of Office Space be placed on April's agenda.

Don Shantz was appointed to head a committee of his choosing to keep the Armory open on the week-ends for the children to play in. With the close of the basketball season the Armory would be closed on week-ends unless a sponsor could be found.

A summer Atheletic Program was discussed with the possibility of ~~hxi~~ hiring a collage student or graduate. Action on this was to be taken in April's meeting.

Jimmy Hoffman stated that he wanted to place on the April Agenda, the question of a City owned Liquor Store.

Two Petitions which were given to the City Clerk just prior to the meeting were read. As they were not placed in the hands of the City Clerk in time to place them on the agenda and because of the late hour, no action was taken on them. Petitions to be placed on the April Agenda.

MMS Hoffman/Shantz that the meeting be adjourned. MC

