

REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING

JANUARY 9, 1967

Time: 8:00PM

Monday

VFW HALL

The regular meeting of the Bethel City Council was called to order by Mayor Joseph N. Pike at 8:05 PM, at which time Rev. Klokov was called upon to give the opening prayer. Present at this meeting were: Tillie Christiansen, Howard Elliot, Eddie Hoffman, Melvin Klokov, David Swanson, and Joseph Pike. The Council minutes were read and approved, Communications were read and the reports of Council Standing Committees were called for. Rex Root of the Roads Committee, mentioned that on some corners brush is an obstacle to passers-by and that some restrictions should be given to Sno-Gos. Melvin Klokov stated that more information had been written for concerning floor surfaces in the Armory or Cowan Hut.

Administrator's Report- It was announced that the material put up for bid (grader, cat, scraper, and dump truck) had been sold to Howard Elliot and Vernon Dale for a total sum of \$1,833.87.

More investigation will be needed concerning the cost involved in Bethel's Police Contract.

Chris Lethin of the Boundary Commission is to speak and listen on Bethel's redefinition of limits and annexation of the BIA site.

The Bethel Museum is at a standstill. Construction will begin as soon as a builder can be found who will work in this weather.

The Carnival will be on Jan. 28th and 29th and will include visitors from the Alaska Prospector's Group in Anchorage as well as 54 people from Greater Anchorage, Inc.

A Resolution may be introduced into the Legislature by one of our Representatives and backing from the Council would be needed. The Administrator will work with the school principal to obtain some background into the academic standing of the students from villages who are and have been attending school in Bethel over the years.

Mayor's Comments- There will be a new procedure at the future Council meetings: Complaints are to be read as are the replies to them at each meeting.

Old Business-

Neighborhood Facility Center- (Youth-Recreation Building)---

A blueprint was shown of a 90' x 60' building which would cost, Bethel-price; \$58,000.00, and could be used for a variety of purposes. It was stated that the City may be able to get a Neighborhood Facilities Grant which would absorb 40-50% of the cost but that the grant should not be depended on a great deal. Many questions were asked about the building and in MMDS, MSMK (it was suggested) that we have K. J. Williams come out to Bethel and that we have a committee be formed to obtain ideas beforehand to present to Mr. Williams. (Unanimous- 6 ayes, no nays) Mayor Pike appointed Melvin Klokov chairman of the committee including Rae Baxter, Art Nicholson and Dave Swanson.

Cowan Hut Rental Agreement- Another agreement was drawn up, the other being unsuitable. It was read and in a MMDS, MSTC it was stated that we accept the revised Cowan Hut rental Agreement as read. (Unanimous-6 ayes, no nays).

New Business

The two Jail Food Contract bids were opened and read. The contract was awarded to the Billikin, the lowest bidder on the first proposal (delivered to the jail as required). The second bidder was Tony Lewis of Lewis Lodge.

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A Contract Agreement between V. R. Dale and D. D. Daly and the City was agreed upon for the maintenance of the 5 City vehicles.

MMHE, MSDS, That we accept this Dale/Daly maintenance proposal as read. 6 ayes, 0 nays. Unanimously passed.

The City Office typewriter was considered but no action was taken towards obtaining one.

The Council Work Session on the By-Laws Ordinance (Res. #4 to be written up as an Ordinance) was scheduled for Saturday, January 14th at 7:30 PM at the City Office.

The Lease Contract for the Prematernal Home was signed by Mayor Pike and also by P. J. O'Rourke for the CAP Committee. The Hoffman Home is leased to the CAP Program from 1 January to 31 December, 1967.

The re-evaluation of the price levels at the Community Liquor Sales Store was discussed by the Council following a report by David Swanson that the prices on Seagram's 7 and Rainier had been lowered as of 12 noon that day. It was stated that Community Liquor Sales, Inc. was not set up to compete with the Anchorage prices but was set up to make a profit and given a year in which to do so. The audience entered into the discussion but it was decided that this issue would be rescheduled at a later date.

MMMK, MSHE, that the meeting move beyond 10 P.M. 6 ayes, 0 nays. Unanimous.

Melvin Klokov stated that Nora Guinn needed an extension phone in her office as she was inconvenienced by the phone being in the jail itself.

MMDS, MSTC that we put an extension phone in the Magistrate's office. Poll vote: Tillie Christiansen, Yes; Howard Elliot, Yes; Eddie Hoffman, Yes, Melvin Klokov, Yes, Dave Swanson, Yes; and Mayor Pike, Yes.

It was stated that there was no communication in the police truck, due to lack of repair.

MMHE, MSMK, that we repair the radio communication system in the police truck and the home set which is located in the Trooper's house. Poll vote: Tillie Christiansen, Yes; Howard Elliot, Yes; Eddie Hoffman, Yes; Melvin Klokov, Yes, Dave Swanson, Yes; and Mayor Pike, Yes. 6 ayes, 0 nays. Unanimous.

The Lion's Club Gaming Permit, 1967 was considered and referred to the next Council meeting.

The possibility of obtaining a city vehicle was considered, the City Administrator to check into prices and report back at a future meeting, the vehicle to be used as a work vehicle-pick up truck.

It was stated that Burton Biss wrote up the Corporation papers for the Incorporation of the Bethel CAP Committee and did so free of charge. The City Administrator was to see that a letter of thanks was written to Mr. Biss.

Representatives of the Women's Club stated that their hot lunch program was under way and that they wanted to ensure its continuance with the backing up of the Council in the event that they should run out of food, utensils, etc.

MMHE, MSTC that we commit ourselves to the Women's Club to not more than \$200.00.

Poll vote: Tillie Christiansen, Yes; Howard Elliot, Yes; Eddie Hoffman, Yes; Melvin Klokov, Yes; Dave Swanson, Yes; and Mayor Pike, Yes. Unanimous.

Concerning the correspondence, the VFW asked for a donation from the City for the forthcoming Dog Races.

MMHE, MSDS that the City of Bethel donate \$150.00 to the VFW for the Dog Races.

Poll vote. Tillie Christiansen, Yes; Howard Elliot, Yes; Eddie Hoffman, Yes; Melvin Klokov, Yes; Dave Swanson, Yes; and Mayor Pike, Yes.

MMMK, MSTC that we adjourn the meeting at 10:40 P.M. Unanimous. 6 ayes, 0 nays.