



# CITY of BETHEL

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## MUNICIPALITY OF BETHEL CITY COUNCIL MINUTES SEPTEMBER 27, 1979

### COUNCIL CHAMBERS

7:30 P.M.

Mayor Elliott called the meeting to order at the City Council Chambers at 7:30 p.m. Present: Charles, Twitchell, B. Hoffman, Gregory and Elliott. Excused, (Out of town) E. Hoffman and Carpenter. Quorum.

### INVOCATION

Invocation was given by M. Gregory.

### APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Mayor Elliott asked if there were any changes or corrections on the minutes of September 27, 1979.

M/M by B. Hoffman to accept the minutes of September 17th. 2nd by Twitchell. Voice vote was taken. Motion passed.

### APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Mayor Elliott asked if there were any additions to the Agenda of September 27th.

Manager Hoffman stated that he has two recommended items that he'd like to have added on to the Agenda of September 27th. Under item B. since it deals with the budget, I'd like the hearing on the Federal Revenue Sharing portion of the budget to be taken up at that time. Item E. MODIFICATION #1 of RESOLUTION #252, deals with the interm financing on the Water and Sewer project.

L. Charles stated she would like to put Item F. WIEN INCREASE to the Agenda of September 27th.

M/M by Gregory approve the Agenda of Spetember 27th as above amended Voice vote was taken. Motion passed unanimously.

### COMMUNICATIONS

Mayor Elliott stated that this is from the Local Government Study Committee, they will be holding a Public Hearing in Bethel on Friday, September 28th on the subject of creation of regional governmental units in the unorganized borough. The hearing will be held at K.C.C. at 7:00 p.m., as this meeting will address the issue of onorganized boroughs in Alaska, I would encourage ALL Council members to attend.

MANAGER'S REPORT

Manager stated that the Bethel Alcohol Treatment Center is working with Peter Twitchell writing Radio Public Service Announcements realting to Alcohol and Bootlegging.

Weather permittting the streets and roads Department will be hauling sand until October 15th as follows:

- 100 loads to the dump
- 50 loads to the Lagoon Road
- 75 loads to Bethel Utilities Road (power plant area)
- 280 loads to 5th, 6th and 7th Avenues
- 75 loads to Mission road cutt-off
- 50 loads to the Laundry Site in housing
- 200 loads of gravel to Lagoon road
- 20 loads to 2nd Avenue

925 loads total. This is funded by Village Safe water Program.

Manager Hoffman stated that the Police Department is conducting a survey on all broken street lights and the work order to hve them replace will be given to Bethel Utilities late next week.

Available at the City Office for Council review is a copy of the City of Bethel petition for a write of Cert to the U.S. Supreme Court. This case involves the question of whther or not the Community Liquor Sales, Inc., was a taxable entity.

L. Charles asked the City Manager about the road by the Day care Center.

Manager Hoffman stated that they did grade it.

MAYOR'S REPORT

Mayor Elliott stated that he talked with City Manager, Lyman Hoffman about getting the Planning Commission to put on their list in the future for hauling sand to Joe Andrews asked if we could build a road back to his house.

REPORT OF THE STANDING COMMITTEE

Manager Hoffman stated that he like to start the Report of the Standing Committees out with the report of the Ratifications of the City if it were to become a First Class City from Dr. Brenneman.

ROTSC

Dr. Brenneman stated that the former Community School Committee was presented with a request from Lyman Hoffman back in February indicating that they wanted some feeling from the Committee on what program changes might occur should Bethel go District instead of LKSD District.

This report was collected late last spring and early summer. This has not been presented to the ASC, so the report tonight did not go through the ASC. (Or any implementations he might have.) He also had Mr. Lynn Lockey who is the Associate Superintendent.

There are seventeen funding categories.

Dr. Brenneman commented on the difference.

Some comments on Jay Livey, City Planners, report on the programs changes might occur should Bethel go District instead of LKSD.

Comments on various subjects.

Manager Hoffman stated that this might be useful for the meeting of the Unorganized Borough Meeting on September 28th at the Council Chambers.

Mayor Elliott thanked Dr. Brenneman for the report.

Manager Hoffman asked if it will be possible for Dr. Brenneman to met with Council members and get to more detail at a later time.

Gregory of the Public Environmental/Health Committee that the last meeting that they had was in July and the next meeting that they are going to have is September 28 at noon.

The Committee of July 27, stated they talked about a memorandum of a Hospital Agreement, Final draft copy of the certified Alcohol and Drug Counselor. They interviewed 2 applicants but they both go different offers and we ended up hiring someone else. They made recommendations to accept Dr. Phillips consultant with the City of Bethel and workman policy of admission to the PATC. The Hospital Agreement was amended and to be referred to the City.

PEOPLE TO BE HEARD

Mayor Elliott asked if there was any one in the public that would like to be heard now.

Father John Hinsvark asked about the street lights?

Manager Hoffman stated that at the beginning of his manager report he did stated that the Police Department is conducting a survey of the light situation and will get on its was next week.

Paula Maloy read a letter to the City Council in regard to the culvert by her house. She stated that on September 24, she was prevented from reaching her house cause of the dirt that was dumped in the road.

Manager Hoffman stated that we do plan to do more work on 6,5 & 7th.

Charles stated that she was not present at the last Council meeting and asked about the school crossing what are you doing about it?

Manager Hoffman stated that this was referred to the Public Safety/Transportation committee. they did try to hold a meeting but didn't get a quorum.

Charles stated that we should have a worksession with the remaining Public Safety/Transportation Committee members and come up with something.

J. Livey stated that he's seen the intersection problem and along with the Council and the Public Safety/Transportation Committee why not meet with the LKSD also?

#### UNFINISHED BUSINESS

##### ITEM A. PUBLIC HEARING ON THE COMMUNITY ATTITUDE SURVEY FOR COMPREHENSIVE PLAN.

Mayor Elliott opened the Public Hearing on the Community Attitude Survey for Comprehensive Plan to the public.

Manager Hoffman gave it to J. Livey

J. Livey, City Planner stated that the survey was part of the Comprehensive Development Plan that started in May. Jay Livey stated that Daryshire and Associated that did the survey are: Glen Svensen and George Pagnalberi.

G. Svensen that what we have now is a very brief analysis we did 154 surveys about 15% of the population of Bethel. He encourage the public to come to the City of Bethel and look them over.

At this point the Planning Commission should sit down and develop a draft statement.

Svensen commented.

Lively stated that the Planning Commission should develop from the attitude survey, set general goals, etc.;

There was some discussion on the input from the public about getting input from those people that were here in Bethel for over 30 to 40 years or more. How many of them are from out of state or in state, etc.,

Manager Hoffman stated that the summary was available for the public's view at the City offices and no one came to review or comment on the summary.

Mayor Elliott closed the Public Hearing on Community Attitude Survey for Comprehensive Plan to the public.

Mayor Elliott re-opened the Public Hearing on Community Attitude Survey for Comprehensive Plan to the public.

L. Charles read: under the Attitude Survey on page 3, ATTITUDE - In terms of distribution of residential land uses, meet the desire of Bethel residents for separation or residential use and large lot sizes., and then the direction- Reduce crowding, in terms of the number of dwelling units per acre, in the older sections of town. Charles continued that on page 5, under ATTITUDE - Recognize the plan for the locational preferences of Bethel residents. under Direction - At the same time, the City should not plan or the abandonment of any residential area. Charles stated that these were some of the things that the Planning Commission stated that should be used on the survey.

Porter stated that the survey should have something in it stating whether or not they would be willing to PAY for it! ! !

Manager Hoffman stated that basically the people want the services, but, are unwilling to pay the taxes.

Mayor Elliott closed the Public Hearing on the Community Attitude Survey for Comprehensive Plan to the public.  
No action.

ITEM B. PUBLIC HEARING ON AN ORDINANCE ESTABLISHING  
THE CITY OF BETHEL'S BUDGET FOR FISCAL YEAR  
1979-80 AND AN EFFECTIVE DATE

Mayor Elliott opened the Public Hearing on an ORDINANCE ESTABLISHING THE CITY OF BETHEL'S BUDGET FOR FISCAL YEAR 1979-80 AND AN EFFECTIVE DATE set to the public.

Manager Hoffman stated that the Finance Committee met late Wednesday and reviewed the original budget. There were some changes in the original budget. The Finance Committee and the Council met yesterday, from these two meetings they came up with a revised budget to be presented tonight.

Manager Hoffman gave a brief summary of all of the budget.

Mayor Elliott closed the Public Hearing on AN ORDINANCE ESTABLISHING THE CITY OF BETHEL'S BUDGET FOR FISCAL YEAR 1979-80 AND AN EFFECTIVE DATE to the public.

M/M BY B. HOFFMAN to approve Ordinance #118 AN ORDINANCE ESTABLISHING A CITY OF BETHEL BUDGET FOR FISCAL YEAR 1979-80 AND AN EFFECTIVE DATE. Poll vote was taken: Yeas: Twitchell, Charles, Gregory, B. Hoffman and Elliott. Motion passed unanimously.

ITEM C. PUBLIC HEARING ON FEDERAL REVENUE SHARING BUDGET 1980.

Mayor Elliott called the Public Hearing on Federal Revenue Sharing Budget 1980 open to the public.

Manager Hoffman explained.

Mayor Elliott closed the Public Hearing on Federal Revenue Sharing Budget 1980 to the public.

M/M by Gregory to approve the BUDGET HEARING ON FEDERAL REVENUE SHARING BUDGET 1980 as presented in Exhibit C-1. Poll vote was taken. Yeas: Charles, Twitchell, B. Hoffman, Gregory and Elliott. Motion passed unanimously.

ITEM D. INTENDED LAND SALE OF 20 FEET SECTION OF PROPERTY TO BNC.

Manager Hoffman stated that in the minutes of 1976 Council took action that if the City deed 20 feet of this road to the Corporation if the Corporation would put in the road.

Manager Hoffman stated that Manager Bartlett distributed a letter to all Council members which had been received from legal council of the Bethel Native Corporation. The letter requested that council consider selling 30 feet of the existing right of way on Tundra Lane behind the Northern Commercial Company in Bethel. Both the BNC and Calista Corp., have ownership of a parcel of ground adjacent to NC Company, and are interested in developing commercial operations on such ground. The lot size is not sufficient to construct operations on such ground. The lot size is not sufficient to construct planned commercial facilities and for this reason the additional thirty (30) feet is being requested.

Manager Hoffman went on to stated: "Peltola - This request was made earlier by the Bethel Native Corporation (BNC) prior to the death of Paul Kruzenstein, the BNC's former consultant.

Lenhart - A fifteen (15) foot easement for electrical, water, and sewer lines will be necessary if the Council decides to sell a portion of Tundra Lane to BNC and Calista Corp.

Guinn - The Planning Commission has discussed this particular matter and voted to recommend to Council that twenty (20) feet of the Tundra Lane right of way be sold to BNC/Calista Corporation. The City would utilize the funds received to construct Tundra Lane.

"M/M by Guinn that the City Manager be authorized to pursue the selling of twenty (20) feet of the Tundra Lane right of way to BNC & Calista Corporation. Roll call vote, Yeas: Alexie, Guinn, Pike, Elliott, Peltola. Abstain - Andrew, Motion passed. "

Manager Hoffman stated that since the this is a public right of way the land can not be transfered by simple motion, we need to have the Intent, hold a Public Hearing let the public comment on it. Then we can transfer this portion of property. Manager Hoffman recommended this be introduced and set a Public Hearing.

M/M by Charles to set a Public Hearing on the Intended land sale on the transfer of property adjance to Tundra Lane and that the transaction be worded as follows:

Voice vote was taken. Motion passed unanimously.

ITEM E. OPERATIONAL POLICIES FOR THE YUKTARVICK MUSEUM

Manager Hoffman stated that the Operation Policies were sent to the Council members several months ago and again in tonights packets also.

Sue Dreydoppel of the Yuktarvick Regional Museum stated that what were doing is putting down in writing what were doing at the Yugtarvik Museum. The purpose it for the other Museum Curator to know what is suppose to be collected etc., This is required by the Alaska Museum.

M/M by Charles that the Bethel City Council approve the Operational Policies for the Yuktarvik Regional Museum. Roll call vote was taken. Motion passed.

Mayor Elliott called for a 10 minute break at 9:30 p.m.

Mayor Elliott called the meeting back to order at 9:45 p.m.

NEW BUSINESS

ITEM A. PUBLIC HEARING ON COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT FOR THE FIRE STATION.

Mayor Elliott opened the Public Hearing on Community Development Block Grant for the Fire Station to the public.

Manager Hoffman stated that the City had planned for a Fire Station in conjunction with the Regional Fire Training Center, it is on the ballot tonight.

Manager Hoffman stated that we have the Assistant City Manager, Nancy Kraning, and Fire Chief, John Sanchez, to comment.

N. Kraning stated that part of the program for getting the funds for the Fire Station is that we go to the voters to secure \$600,000.00 for the Fire Station.

N. Kraning went on to explain different programs that we can apply for, for the Fire Station grants.

Kraning stated that we won't find out about any of the grant funds for a long time, maybe until March and we would like to start building the Fire Station this spring. We have \$600,000.00 from Farmers Home for that and \$500,000.00 from HUD and an additional \$500,000.00 from the State of Alaska, \$100,000.00 for outdoor training facility; \$400,000.00 for the Fire Station and this money is for only the construction of the Fire Station, nothing else. We're hoping to apply for an EDA grant, which is the same organization that funded us for the water and sewer program last year.

We are looking to spend 1.3 to 1.5 for the Fire station if we don't get it we will have to have our building made much smaller.

M/M by Gregory to go pass 10:00 p.m. but not pass 11:00. Voice vote was taken. Motion passed.

Sanchez stated that were starting off with 1400 sq. ft. were down to 900 sq. ft., it depends on the grant amount that we will receive.

Kraning stated that were competing with Anchorage and Fairbanks for these funds.

Mayor Elliott closed the Public Hearing on Community Development Block Grant for the Fire Station to the public. No action.

#### ITEM B. RATIFICATION OF CITY CLERK

Manager Hoffman stated that the City Clerk, Irene Williams, has submitted her resignation and to get employed with the Alaska National Guard. We advertised for the position of City Clerk and we got Diane Anderson, she is presently employed by the Judge, Chris Cooke.

Charles asked how man applications were they?

Manager Hoffman stated that about 2 or 3.

Some discussion on the salary of the City Clerk and experience.

M/M by Twitchell for the administration to write a letter thanking Irene for her good job, and also accept Diane Anderson for the position of City Clerk at \$20,000.00 a year. 2nd Gregory. Poll vote was taken. Yeas: Charles, Twitchell, B. Hoffman, Gregor, and Elliott. Motion passed.

#### ITEM C. RESOLUTION FOR THE SECONDARY ACCESS ROUTE TO THE BETHEL AIRPORT.

Manager Hoffman stated that in acquireing the right of way for the secondary access to the airport, we did adopt a resolution requesting access with the state, Now this resolution authorizing the City Manager to sign additional documents, we are having some problems getting access route to the boundaries of the native allotments from BLM, BIA is the trustee, there are several documents that are required for signature and BUA is requesting a resolution saying that the City Manager has been directed to acquire the right of way on behalf of the City of Bethel to the airport.

Manager Hoffman stated that we have to have two more allotment holders to go through to get the access to the airport.

Manager Hoffman stated that we were applying for 100 ft. right of ways so that we don't have to in the new future to have to buy the extra 20 ft.

M/M by Charles approve RESOLUTION #271, A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF BETHEL AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER OR CITY ADMINISTRATION FOR SECURING THE RIGHT OF WAY BY THE CITY OF BETHEL FOR AIRPORT ACCESS ROAD. Voice vote was taken. Twitchell, Charles, B. Hoffman, Gregory and Elliott. Motion passed unanimously.

ITEM D. RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING A BANK LOAN FOR THE PAYMENT OF INSURANCE PREMIUM FOR INSURANCE POLICIES OF THE CITY OF BETHEL ENDING SEPTEMBER 30, 1980.

Manager Hoffman stated that in the past the City has purchased insurance and paid \$150,000.00 for all of the coverage the City needed. At the recommendation of the Finance Director we would like to have our policies handled locally.

The local bank is requiring the City of Bethel to have a resolution in this effect.

Some discussion.

M/M by B. Hoffman to adopt resolution #270, A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY OF BETHEL AUTHORIZING THE CITY ADMINISTRATION TO SECURE A LOAN TO FINANCE ALL OF THE INSURANCE POLICIES OF THE CITY OF BETHEL FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDING SEPTEMBER 30, 1980. Voice vote was taken. Motion passed. Manager Hoffman suggested a poll vote.

Poll vote was taken. Yeas: Charles, Twitchell, B. Hoffman Gregory and Elliott. Motion passed unanimously.

ITEM E. MODIFICATION #1 OF RESOLUTION #252

Manager Hoffman stated that this resolution is a request for a short term loan for \$180,000.00 to pay off a contractor for the construction of our water & sewer program.

Manager Hoffman went on to discuss why.

The bank stated that if the Council authorized this they can give us the \$180,000.00 loan, they've already looked at our papers.

M/M by Charles for the City Council to accept Modification #1 of Resolution #252, A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF BETHEL TO AUTHORIZING THE CITY ADMINISTRATION TO NEGOTIATE AND SECURE INTERIM FINANCING FOR THE BETHEL CIVIC CENTER, WATER AND SEWER PROJECT: AND SETTING FORTH LYMAN HOFFMAN, CITY AMANGER, AND NANCY KRANING, ASSISTANT CITY MANAGER, AS THE OFFICALLY RECOGNIZED SIGNATURES ON SAID DOCUMENT. Poll vote was taken: Yeas, Charles, Twitchche,, B. Hoffman Gregory and Elliott. Motion passed.

ITEM F. WIEN RATE INCREASE

L Charles stated that Wien Air Alaska has raised there prices from \$166.74 to a whopping \$196.00 round trip!

Charles stated that what if a family had to go to Anchorage for an emergency, they'd have to pay 196.00 apiece. unbelievable.

Charles stated that they've been having pretty lousy service lately.

Some discussion on the subject.

C.A.B. told them that they can raise their prices up to 9%, and Wien took it all.

It was suggested to boycott wien.

M/M by Twitchell to write to wien, and direct the City Manager directing his staff not to fly Wien. Voice vote was taken. Motion passed.

ADJOURNMENT

M/M by Gregory to adjourn. Voice vote was taken. Motion passed unanimously.