

REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING

MONDAY

SEPTEMBER 12, 1966

8:00 PM

The regular meeting of the City Council was called to order at 8:15 P.M. on September 12, 1966 at the V.F.W. Hall, by Mayor Art Nicholson.

Roll was taken and present were: Joe Andrea, Ed Hoffman, H. Elliot, Tilly Christiansen, Al Laroux and Art Nicholson. Absent was Joe Hendola.

The minutes and supplements of the August 11th meeting were read and approved as read.

Communications:

1. A slip of paper stating "I want a road" was read along with the four signatures on that paper.
2. A letter from the Charles R. Griffin Co. regarding voting books was read.
3. An answer from the Coast Guard was given regarding the combination of boat licensing and vehicle licensing. Their answer is NO.
4. M. Rowan brought it to the attention of the Council that he had received an unsigned critical letter. This letter will not be printed in the newspaper nor read at a Council meeting.

There were no committee reports.

One resolution and four ordinances were filed.

City Administrator's Report:

1. The Alaska Travel Division has granted and sent a check for \$500.00 to the City for use on publizing and advertising the Bethel Museum.
2. Easment forms were received very quickly from the City Attorney, Burton Biss.
3. The City has received several books regarding municipal law from NUNO which include model resolutions and ordinances. This information is expected to be very helpful.
4. M. Rowan explained the necessity and reasons for the Five Ordinances which will be considered later.
5. Lot #15 was purchased from NIA for use as a City park.
6. If there is no objection, M. Rowan will apply to the State to fill in behind the seawall and that portion of road which is involved.
7. The auditor's report for last fiscal year was passed out for consideration to the Council members and people in the audience.
8. A review of the present financial condition of the City disclosed \$3993 in the checking account, \$11,154 in the savings account and \$24,000.00 in Time Savings. The City Clerk needs approximately \$25,000 to fulfill obligations within the next month.

Mayor's Comments;

1. The Boy Scout master, Mike Korhonen, has assured us the scouts will report on their encampment next meeting.
2. Filings for the City Council for next year are now being accepted by the City Clerk. There will be six seats open (3-1 year terms and 3-2 year terms.) The filing fee is \$2.00.
3. The City should have a permanent policy regarding holiday pay for City employees so a poll vote won't be necessary ~~each~~ before each holiday.

Old Business:

M/M H. Elliot, M/S E. Hoffman that we wait until next month to set a Sanitation Meeting. Passed unanimously.

The Arthur L. Nicholson Co. submitted the only bid for erection of the City Garage. Their bid amount was \$6778.80. M/M H. Elliot, M/S E. Hoffman that the City accept the bid made by Art Nicholson less the bond price (\$322.80). Poll vote results were: J. Andrew-yes, T. Christiansen-yes, E. Hoffman-yes, A. Laroux-yes, H. Elliot-yes, A. Nicholson-yes. Passed unanimously.

M/M E. Hoffman, M/S J. Andrew that we put the heating system for the City Office out for bid. Passed unanimously.

M/M H. Elliot, M/S A. Laroux that with the proper lease on the old school property the Foster Child Care building will be placed where the gravel pile now is. Passed unanimously.

Discussion was heard from the Council and Albert Schmidt regarding the culverts on Sixth Ave. and across Willow.

As the City now owns the old Army Advisory Buildings and they must be moved soon, M/M H. Elliot, M/S Laroux that we put the buildings up for sale by sealed bid. 1st ammendment: M/M T. Christiansen, M/S H. Elliot that the minimum bid accepted be \$350.00., 2nd ammendment: M/M H. Elliot, M/S E. Hoffman, that the full purchase price be paid within five days after acceptance of bid. 3rd ammendment: M/M H. Elliot, M/S Laroux that the bid be advertised immediately and the sealed bids will be opened and accepted at 11:00 A.M. on September 20th at the City Office. 4th ammendment: M/M A. Nicholson, M/S H. Elliot, the purchaser is required to fulfill all that part of the contract bewteen the City and the U.S. Government regarding the requiring satisfactory condition of the ground ~~condition~~ after removal of buildings. The motion was passed unanimously.

M/M E. Hoffman, M/S J. Andrew that the City purchase a portable five-stall voting booth at a cost of \$149.85 plus freight. The booth to be alluminum and shipped immediately. Poll vote results: J. Andrew-yes, T. Christiansen yes, E. Hoffman-yes, A. Laroux-yes, H. Elliot-yes, A. Nicholson-yes. Unanimous.

NEW BUSINESS:

Ordinance #30 amending Ordinance #25 by "changing the language in Sect. 2, Sales" was presented for it's first reading. After discussion, M/M H. Elliott, M/S A. Laroux that we accept the ammendment as read. Poll vote results: J. Andrew-no, T. Christiansen-no, E. Hoffman-yes, A. Laroux-yes, H. Elliot-yes, and A. Nicholson-yes. Passed by 4 Ayes and 2 Nays.

Ordinance #30 was offered in it's second reading by title only. M/M H. Elliot, M/S E. Hoffman that the ordinance be accepted in its 2nd reading. Poll vote results were: T. Christiansen-no, J. Andrew-no, E. Hoffman-yes, A..Laroux-yes, H. Elliot-yes, A. Nicholson-yes. Passed by 4 Ayes and 2 Nays.

M/M T. Christiansen, M/S H. Elliot that the ordinance be carried over until the next meeting for it's third and final reading. Passed unanimously.

M/M E. Hoffman, M/S J. Andrew that we extend past 10:00 PM. Passed by a vote of 4 Ayes and 2 Nays.

Ordinance #31 amending Ordinance #2 by "changing the word 'village' in Ordinance #2 to 'city' " was presented in it's first reading. M/M H. Elliot, M/S E. Hoffman we acdept the ammendment in it's first reading. Poll vote results: Andrew-yes, Christiansen-yes, Hoffman-yes, Laroux-yes, Elliot-yes, Nicholson-yes. Passed unanimously.

Ordinance #31 was placed in it's second reading by title only. M/M H. Elliot, M/S T. Christiansen we acdept the ordinance in it's second reading. Poll vote results same as above. Unanimous.

M/M H. Elliot M/S Hoffman we put Ordinance #31 in it's third and final reading. Passed unanimously. Ordinance #31 was read for it's 3rd reading. Pall vote results for passage were: J. Andrew-yes, T. Christiansen-yes, E. Hoffman-yes, A. Laroux-yes, H. Elliot-yes, A. Nicholson-yes. Unanimous approval.

Ordinance #32, "an ammendment to be known as section 30 of Ord. No. 2, listing a certain offense and misdemeanor as unlawful in the city of Bethel, Alasa providing penalties for violation, and fixing an effective date" was read for it's first reading. M/M H. Elliot, M/S E. Hoffman the word in the second paragraph be changed from "village" to "city" jail. Passed unanimously.

M/M T. Christiansen, M/S J. Andrew we acdept Ord. #32 in its first reading. Poll vote results were: J. Andrew-yes, Christiansen-yes, Hoffman-no, Laroux-no Elliot-yes, Nicholson-yes. Passed by 4 Ayes and 2 Nays.

Ord. #32 was offered in it's 2nd reading by title only. M/M T. Christiansen, M/S J. Andrew that we accept ammendment to Ord. 2 in its 2nd reading. Poll vote results were: Andrew-yes, Christiansen-yes, Hoffman-no, Laroux-no, Elliot-yes, Nicholson-yes. Passed by 4 Ayes and 2 Nays.

The Ordinance #32 will be carried over until next meeting for it's third and final reading.

Resolution #28, a resolution required for participation in the Civil Defense merit system was read for it's first reading.

M/M Hoffman, M/S Elliot that this Resolution #28 be accepted in it's first reading. Poll vote results were: Andrew-yes, Hoffman-yes, Elliot-yes, Christiansen-yes, Laroux-yes, Nicholson-yes. Unanimous.

Resolution #28 was presented in it's second and final reading. M/M Elliot, M/S Hoffman that this resolution #28 be accepted in it's 2nd and final reading. Poll vote results same as above, unanimous passage.

Ordinance #33 "an ordinance governing a city fire department" was read in full by M. Rowan for it's first reading. M/M H. Elliot, M/S A. Laroux that we accept Ord. #33 in it's first reading. Poll vote results: Andrew-yes, Christiansen-yes, Laroux-yes, Elliot-yes, Hoffman-yes, Nicholson-yes. Unanimous.

Ord. #33 was presented for it's second reading in title only.

M/M Hoffman, M/S Andrew that we accept ord. #33 in its second reading. Poll vote results were same as above, unanimous passage.

M/M T. Christiansen, M/S E. Hoffman we table Ord. #33 for the final reading until next meeting. Passed by a vote of 5 Ayes and 1 Nay.

The City Election will be held on October 4, 1966. Candidacy forms for councilmen will be available by 10:00 AM in the City Office tomorrow. There will be 3 two year term seats and 3 one year term seats open in this election. Candidacy forms will be accepted until Oct. 1st at 5:00 PM.

The council made up a list of ten names to be election judges. M. Rowan will contact these people and choose five to be the judges. Marie Swanson will be first choice for election inspector, if she can not do it, Helen Klokow will be asked. The election inspector will choose additional counters.

M/M E. Hoffman, M/S A. Laroux that the council put it on the ballot that the people have a choice whether the council replacements be by the runner-up as per Resolution #21 or whether the council would appoint and approve the replacement. Poll vote results were: J. Andrew-no, T. Christiansen-no, E. Hoffman-yes, Al Laroux-yes, H. Elliot-yes, A. Nicholson-yes. The motion was passed by 4 Ayes and 2 Nays.

A petition with 247 signatures requesting the question "For the Sale of Intoxicating Liquor in the City of Bethel? yes or no" be placed on the ballot for the October election, was presented by the City Clerk. After discussion of the canvassing of these signatures, it was decided Lynda Scott as city clerk should certify these signatures with the help of Nora Guinn.

M/M H. Elliot, M/S E. Hoffman that if it is certified that there is 35% of the voters in last years City election on the petition, this question will be put on the ballot. Poll vote results were: J. Andrew-no, T. Christiansen-yes, H. Elliot-yes, A. Laroux-yes, E. Hoffman-yes, A. Nicholson-yes. Passed by a vote of 5 Ayes and 1 Nay.

The community center will be held until next meeting.

M. Rowan explained reasons and ways of applying and working for a Housing Project offered by the Alaska Housing Authority. After discussion of this project M/M T. Christiansen, M/S E. Hoffman that Mike investigate the matter further and it will be discussed next meeting. Passed unanimously.

The City Limits are outlined in the incorporation papers as being "a three mile radius from the N.C. Co.". Discussion was heard whether these boundaries could be staked, it was pointed out that there is only one road which crosses the City Limits line. The B.I.A. site is not in the city limits, therefore, it was the general feeling of the council that the people living at the site can not vote in the City Election. The boundaries could probably be changed by a vote of the people in Bethel.

Artic Health Reaserch is in the process of numbering 100 houses and putting names on these housing for a study they are making. Artic Health has offered to help Number all the Houses in Bethel. M/M H. Elliot, M/S E. Hoffman that Mike devise a system and spend up to \$250 for a numbering system on the houses. Poll vote results: J. Andrew-yes, T. Christiansen-yes, H. Elliot-yes, E. Hoffman-yes, A. Laroux-yes, A. Nicholson-yes. Passed unanimously.

M/M A. Laroux, M/S E. Hoffman that the City purchase a sign or plastic letters, (which ever M. Rowan decides on) for the office at a price not to exceed \$150.00. Poll vote results: Andrew-yes, Christiansen-yes, Elliot-yes, Hoffman-yes, A. Laroux-yes, Nicholson-yes. Passed unanimously.

M/M Elliot, M/S Laroux that the Children Bus Haul be tabled until next meeting. M. Rowan will work up a proposal for it. Passed unanimously.

M/M Elliot the meeting adjourn at 12:00 midnight.

Joseph N. Park