

REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING
JULY 9, 1973

CALL TO ORDER

Meeting was called to order by Vice Chairman Connick at 7:45 P.M. at the KVNA Building.

ROLL CALL

PRESENT: Connick, Gregory, Hoffman, and Murphy.

ABSENT: Cooke, Crow and Romer.

READING OF MINUTES OF JUNE 25TH

Changes were made on page 1 under Reading of the Minutes (June 11th) - "Monies were donated for telegrams to Gravel, Stevens & Young stating that funds not be taken out of nurses funds to hire a security guard". Also on page 1 last paragraph the word "State" was put in between the word "the" and "dirt". On page 3 the first word was changed from Connick to Gregory.

M/M Murphy, Gregory, I move that we accept the minutes as corrected. Voice vote carried.

COMMUNICATIONS

Shuler reported that he had enclosed the audit for the Community Liquor Store for the council to review. Connick questioned if these were posted publicly and Shuler replied no. Connick felt that they should be. A letter from Richard Haworth was also enclosed regarding the Codification of Ordinances. Shuler stated that he had requested information from Selden Hall of PHS concerning the fluoridation of the City water. It would cost the City \$1000 to install the fluoride system in the City water works building.

Gregory suggested that the meeting be translated into Eskimo since we are being aired on the radio.

Paul Gregory translated.

MANAGERS REPORT

Shuler at this time introduced Marilyn Miller. Mrs. Miller at this time stated that she is here to provide help for the council, clerk and manager with any problems that they might have. Alaska Municipal League serves as a lobbying group for municipalities. The League hopes to have a City Clerk training course. AML is also trying to establish a liaison between different cities in Alaska. Alaska Municipal League has a board of 11 of which Eddie Hoffman is one.

Shuler reported that he had received a letter from the State Department of Highways regarding a \$11,500 contract for road maintenance. This will be on the agenda for the next regular meeting for the councils approval. Also a letter was received from the Division of Corrections regarding the negotiations on per day costs for inmates staying at the jail.

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Connick suggested that Shuler get information from the Nome office to see what they get for inmates care.

Shuler also reported that a life guard has been hired to work from Tuesday through Saturday 11 AM - 7 PM. Connick requested a sign posted stating the days and hours.

Shuler stated that the police department is enforcing the curfew ordinance and that citations are given to parents. Curfew siren is not working at this time. A new Liquor Ordinance is being drafted. Shuler stated that he had postponed enforcing the old Liquor Handlers Permit Ordinance until the new Ordinance is passed.

Paul Gregory translated.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

M/M Murphy, Gregory, I move that we put on tonight's agenda the discussion of the resolution and ordinance that was drafted by the Chief of Police. Voice vote carried.

Connick reported that at a meeting with the Chief of Police they reviewed the jail and found that changes are taking place. A larger septic tank is being put in. Chief Van Sandt also felt that another position is needed 50% of time as patrolman and 50% of time as guard.

PEOPLE TO BE HEARD

Maurice Budge stated that he had been turned down for a Chauffeur's permit. He felt that the court made a mistake in charging him with a felony instead of a misdemeanor charge and because of this was not given a Chauffeur's permit.

Chief of Police would like to see an amendment on the taxi ordinance. He also stated that Budge deserves a second chance.

Connick stated this requires an amendment to the ordinance and that this be looked into at the work session before the next council meeting.

Murphy suggested that Shuler and Chief write up an amendment, post in public places and set a hearing date on that.

Chief's suggestion was that Maurice Budge be issued a temporary permit until records are checked and obtained from the FBI.

Shuler recommended that he be issued a temporary chauffeurs permit.

M/M Murphy, Hoffman, I move that we set the hearing on the amendment to the taxi ordinance for the next meeting. Voice vote carried.

OLD BUSINESS

1. Public Hearing Ordinance 54: Adopting AS Title 13

Shuler read ordinance 54 regarding traffic regulations. State law is presently being enforced by City with fines going to the State. Shuler suggested that the City adopt this ordinance to receive the fines.

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M/M Murphy, Gregory, I move that we accept ordinance 54 an ordinance adopting and implementing existing state statute Title 13 - traffic regulations. Roll call vote with all 4 members present voting yes.

2. Public Hearing Ordinance 56 - Adopting City Manager Form of Government

Shuler read ordinance 56 regarding city manager form of government.

M/M Murphy, Gregory, I move that we accept ordinance 56 adopting the city manager form of government. Roll call vote with all 4 members present voting yes.

3. Land Request Old Age Home

A spokesman for Yupigtak Pista John Emmal reported that in March of 1973 AVCP passed a resolution for AVCP to seek funding for an old age home. Presently old people have to leave this region to go to an old age home. Yupigtak Bista has been checking into this possibility with different organizations, Senators, Governors and PHS for funding mobilization.

Connick questioned if the old age home would be operated by the State or other agencies. Reply was that they didn't know who would administer this. PHS has considered funding on a lease type basis.

Connick also questioned how big plot of land they wanted. Reply was that they did not know at this time. Several reasons for the old age home being put up in Bethel are the availability of the PHS hospital and close family and cultural ties.

Hoffman suggested that a letter be written by Yupigtak Pista to Dr. Lee and a copy for himself regarding this.

Connick stated that this should be done as soon as possible and to get more information on this. He also brought out that most elderly people from villages and Bethel would rather stay home instead of leaving their community or region.

4. Budgets 73-74

Shuler introduced the budget for the City.

Connick felt we should have more input from the citizens. Citizens should review and make any comments on the City's budget. Connick also wanted to know if anything was heard on the grant for boardwalks. Shuler replied negatively.

Shuler stated that the city should consider where to allocate funds from and where to get materials.

Murphy also brought out that on the grant there should be specifications as to the size of the lumber to use.

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Connick suggested that the city look into the cost figures and have it presented at the work session and next council meeting. Connick felt that there should be another work session to discuss the budget. Monday the 16th was set at 7:30 P.M. at the Braund Building.

Paul Gregory translated.

NEW BUSINESS

1. Alcoholism Request 5,000 from Liquor Store

Tom Anderson reported that he had approached the Liquor Store about the possibility of them donating monies for the alcoholism program. This money could be to renovate 2 trailers for the alcoholism program.

M/M Gregory, Murphy, I move that we approve the 5000 from the Liqueore Store for the council on alcoholism for renovation of the Sleep Off Center.

Anderson discussed the rental facilities and their use as an alcoholism center.

Roll call vote with all 4 members present voting yes.

2. Taxi Permit Request

Bob Evans requested a 4th car for Montes Taxi. Montes cab has operated 4 cars for over a year and feels that they need this vehicle.

Connick brought out that during the council work session Monte had been out of town. Facts presented by representative of Monte didn't coincide with facts presented to the Council by Ciletti.

Murphy felt that they should go into executive session and then come back and discuss this.

10 minute break called for.

Meeting reconvened at 9:50 P.M.

M/M Gregory, Murphy, I move to continue the meeting; past 10 P.M. Voice vote carried.

Shuler stated that the council requests Monte and Cilleti attend the work session to try and solve the problem.

Evans also requested that they bring the minutes of the meeting before the last meeting.

3. Ordinance 55 - Planning Commission for Public Hearing

Shuler stated that this is an ordinance that Hohman had prepared but was tabled due to lack of information. Community and Regional Affairs has reviewed

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the ordinance and the necessary corrections have been made.

M/M Murphy, Gregory, I move that ordinance 55 be put up for Public Hearing at the next council meeting. Voice vote carried.

4. Resolution 94 Surplus Property

Shuler read resolution 94 and he recommended that this be approved.

M/M Hoffman, Murphy, I move that we accept resolution 94 and that the city manager be designated as the "representative". Roll call vote with all 4 members present voting yes.

5. Memo Agreement between Joe Mendola and City - Rent Buildings for Council on Alcoholism

Agreement will become effective July 1st pending approval of the board. Shuler read agreement to the council and guests attending the meeting.

Tom Anderson also brought out that they are paying 80¢ a square foot on rents. 30¢ a square foot is a reasonable rent rate and what they will now pay.

Shuler also brought out that the reason why he recommends agreement be accepted is that it doesn't cost the city anything at all.

Anderson stated that there is more than 3000 square feet in that building and most of it is occupied by showers, beds, etc.

Murphy questioned if this were furnished and Anderson replied that there is some furniture. The one thing Mendola is willing to do is put in 30 beds.

Connick suggested that the words "by mutual agreement of both parties" be added on at the last paragraph.

M/M Murphy, Gregory, I move to accept memo of agreement with the addition at the last paragraph. Roll call vote with all 4 members present voting yes.

6. Hospital Security Memo Agreement Between Hospital and City

Shuler reported that Tom Anderson, Chief of Police, Frank Montoya, Frank Estes and himself had met together and it was agreed that PHS would fund \$24,000 for one year to City of Bethel for the security guard position. This will go in effect July 1st and this is a 1 year contract.

Montoya stated the project would have to be bid. Montoya reported that the City had funded the security guard position till the 30th of June. He also reported that no PHS funds are immediately available for the security guard position. A requisition was sent into the Anchorage office and denied to

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negotiate with the City of Bethel for the security guard position through the 31st of July. PHS hopes to fund position through contract beginning the 1st of August. PHS is asking the City of Bethel to fund the security guard position through the 31st of July until the contract can be bid and let.

Murphy felt that \$24,000 may be too high for the job.

Anderson brought up that the present \$1500 per month does not include salary fringes, vacations, administration, audit, etc. Salary level they feel for the security guard position should be \$943.00 a month.

Connick felt that the city should go ahead and fund the position till the end of July for \$1500.

M/M Murphy, Hoffman, I move that we approve the security guard position till the of July and that this be no more than \$1500 a month and also that PHS will pick up the position after the end of July. Roll call vote with all 4 members present voting yes.

7. Change Orders

Shuler reported that he had received change orders 3 and 4 from Dickinson - Oswald & Partners. On change order 4, 2 more culverts with thaw pipes be installed and 4" - 6" of gravel capping the road.

Connick questioned who is paying Dickinson and Oswald and Shuler replied the City is but these are reimbursible costs.

M/M Murphy, Gregory, I move that we deny change order 3 (steam thaw pipes) and approve change order 4 but without the thaw pipes. Roll call vote with all 4 members present voting yes.

8. Resolution 95

Shuler read resolution 95 regarding the City Police Department Reserve Program.

Van Sandt brought out that the small force he has now needs a back up force. This reserve force would be manned by private organizations.

M/M Murphy, I move that we accept resolution 95. Roll call vote with all 4 members present voting yes.

9. Ordinance 57 - Alcohol

M/M Murphy, Gregory, I move that we set up a public hearing on ordinance 57 at the next regular council meeting.

Connick suggested that copies of all alcohol related ordinances be brought to the work session. Connick stated that this ordinance be reviewed before the work session and make some corrections on ordinance before the next regular council meeting.

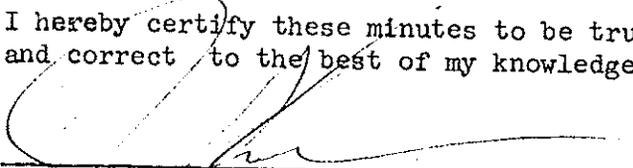
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Voice vote on main motion and this passed unanimously.

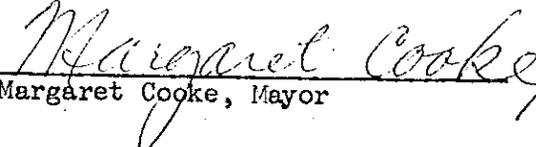
M/M Gregory, Murphy, I move that we adjourn the meeting. Voice vote carried.

MEETING ADJOURNED AT 11:45 P.M.

I hereby certify these minutes to be true
and correct to the best of my knowledge.



John Shuler, City Manager



Margaret Cooke, Mayor