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MUNICIPALITY OF BETHEL
REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING
OCTOBER 24, 1977

COUNCIL CHAMBERS 7:30 P.M.

Meeting was called to order by Mayor Guinn at 7:35 P.M.
Present: Councilman Elliott, Charles, Gregory, Hickling, Hoffman, Twitchell, and Guinn.
Absent: None.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

M/M by Councilwoman Hickling to approve the Minutes of the September 26, 1977, Regular Council Meeting, and the Minutes of the October 6, 1977, Special Council Meeting as presented to Council. Voice vote was taken and was unanimous. Motion carried.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Manager Hoffman requested that the following items be added to the Agenda under New Business: Item B.-Introduction of Resolution No. 214; and Item C.-Introduction of Resolution No. 215.

M/M by Councilwoman Charles that Item B.-Introduction of Resolution No. 214 (A RESOLUTION AMENDING THE LOAN AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE ALASKA MUNICIPAL BOND BANK AUTHORITY AND THE CITY OF BETHEL, ALASKA), and Item C.- Introduction of Resolution No. 215 (A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY OF BETHEL AUTHORIZING THE IMPROVEMENT OF SAND SURFACED ROADS IN THE CITY LIMITS OF BETHEL TO BE GRAVELED AND TO BE PAID WITH FUNDS ALLOCATED TO ALASKA BY THE 1976 HIGHWAY ACT, THE SAFER OFF-SYSTEM ROADS PROGRAM), be added to the Agenda under New Business. Voice vote was taken and was unanimous. Motion carried.

COMMUNICATIONS

None, other than those distributed to Council prior to the meeting.

MANAGER'S REPORT

Manager Hoffman stated that he had three items on which to report.
1) On October 13, 1977, a meeting was held with the firms of Gruzen & Partners and the John Graham Company, and the City administration to discuss the development of a new criminal justice center in Bethel, Alaska.

2) During the first week of November, Manager Hoffman stated that he would attend a local government conference in Juneau sponsored by the Alaska Municipal League, and a seminar for elected officials.

3) The sponsors of the seminar for elected officials had requested that Manager Hoffman announce that the dates of the seminar would be November 3rd and 4th.

FINANCE DIRECTOR'S REPORT

None.

MAYOR'S REPORT

None.

REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES

Councilwoman Hickling, chairperson of the Social/Cultural and Economic Committee reported that the committee had met October 20, 1977, to discuss priorities and to establish meetings in some of the places which would come under discussion; such as the museum and Alcohol Treatment Center.

Manager Hoffman introduced the minutes of the Parks and Recreation Committee meeting of August 18, 1977, for Council's approval. M/M by Councilwoman Charles that Council approve the minutes of the Parks and Recreation Committee meeting of August 18, 1977. Voice vote was taken and was unanimous. Motion carried.

PEOPLE TO BE HEARD

Father Hinsvark queried the proposed changes to the Sales Tax Ordinance that had been discussed previously by Council. Manager Hoffman stated that the administration was presently reviewing the Ordinance and would present it to Council prior to January 1, 1978, for approval of the discussed changes.

Mrs. Rosie Porter asked that the City Administration take some action to discourage the unnecessary reckless driving by taxi-cab drivers. Councilman Elliott, Charles, and Hickling voiced similar concerns. Manager Hoffman stated that the administration would review the problem for possible solutions.

Councilwoman Charles queried the Administration as to the present status of the bootlegging situation. Manager Hoffman stated that it was his recommendation that a standing committee be established to deal with the bootlegging situation. Mayor Guinn asked that this item be placed on the Agenda for the next Council meeting.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

ITEM A. MODIFICATION OF ORDINANCE NO. 84 (AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF BETHEL PROVIDING FOR THE COLLECTION AND DISPOSAL OF GARBAGE, RUBBISH AND WASTE)

Manager Hoffman introduced the Modification of Ordinance No. 84. Manager Hoffman stated that a modification of the date set forth in Ordinance No. 84, establishing a mandatory permit for the use of the City sanitary landfill, was necessary as the City was not yet equipped to provide garbage service to the entire municapality. Ordinance No. 84 Modification would re-establish the date for a mandatory permit system to be effected October 1, 1978. M/M by Councilman Elliott that Ordinance No. 84 Modification be accepted in its first reading and that a public hearing be established December 12, 1977. Voice vote was taken and was unanimous. Motion carried.

ITEM B. REVIEW OF STANDING COMMITTEES

Mayor Guinn asked that this item be tabled until the next meeting, during which time the administration was asked to recruit new members for those committees, whose membership rolls had declined. He stated that at that time appointments to committees, and appointment of Council members as chairpersons, would be made. He recommended that the committees be limited to seven members.

Councilmembers Elliott and Hickling requested that a key to the Council Chambers be left with the police department to facilitate access for committees to the Council Chambers.

Mayor Guinn stated that the Special Committee to study the alcohol and drug problem would also be discussed at the next meeting.

ITEM C. PUBLIC HEARING ON ORDINANCE NO. 103 (AN ORDINANCE ESTABLISHING A CITY OF BETHEL BUDGET FOR FISCAL YEAR 1977-1978 AND EFFECTIVE DATE.)

Manager Hoffman introduced Ordinance No. 103, for a second reading. He stated that the budget now presented was balanced for fiscal year 1977-1978. He reviewed the following items and asked for approval by Council: 1) the charging of non-profit organizations for city utility services; 2) the addition of a half-time mechanic position; 3) full time museum hours; 4) animal control agent and assistant animal control agent positions; 5) and the 3% salary cost of living increase. Mayor Guinn called the public hearing at 9:15 P.M. Manager Hoffman answered questions from the public and Council concerning the budget. Mayor Guinn closed the public hearing at 9:40 P.M.

M/M by Councilwoman Charles that the Council of the City of Bethel approve Ordinance No. 103 (AN ORDINANCE ESTABLISHING A CITY OF BETHEL BUDGET FOR FISCAL YEAR 1977-1978 AND EFFECTIVE DATE). M/M by Councilwoman Gregory that the motion be amended to include a request for a review of the budget in six months from to date. Roll call vote was taken on the amendment to the motion. In favor: Councilman Elliott, Charles, Gregory, Hoffman, Twitchell, and Guinn. Opposed: Hickling. Motion carried. Roll call vote was taken on the motion to approve Ordinance No. 103. In favor: Councilman Elliott, Charles, Gregory, Twitchell, and Guinn. Opposed: Councilman Hickling, and Hoffman. Motion carried.

ITEM D. PUBLIC HEARING ON THE SALE OF BLOCK 2, LOT 12, PTARMIGAN SUBDIVISION.

Manager Hoffman stated that following the advertisement of property in Ptarmigan Subdivision, Planning Commission had reviewed the only applicant and approved the sale of Block 2, Lot 12, Ptarmigan Subdivision to that applicant. Mayor Guinn opened the public hearing at 9:50 P.M. Mayor Guinn closed the public hearing at 9:55 P.M. M/M by Councilman Elliott that Council approve the sale of Block 2, Lot 12, in Ptarmigan Subdivision. Roll call vote was taken. In favor: Councilman Charles, Elliott, Gregory, Hickling, Twitchell, Guinn. Opposed: None. Abstain: Councilman Hoffman. Motion carried.

ITEM E. DISCUSSION OF COMPENSATION PLAN FOR CITY COUNCIL MEMBERS.

Councilman Hoffman stated that Councilmembers were elected by the people and should be compensated for the time spent in Council meetings. M/M by Councilman Hoffman that all Council members receive $25.00 per council meeting attended, to be credited to their city services bill. Motion seconded by Louise Charles. Roll call vote was taken. In favor: Councilman Elliott, Hoffman, Twitchell, and Guinn. Opposed: Charles, Gregory, and Hickling. Motion carried.

NEW BUSINESS

ITEM A. INTRODUCTION OF RESOLUTION NO. 213 (A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY OF BETHEL ESTABLISHING A DATE FOR THE SALE OF MUNICIPAL BONDS)

Resolution No. 213 was introduced and read by Manager Hoffman. M/M by Councilman Elliott to approve Resolution No. 213 as presented. Motion seconded by Councilwoman Hickling. Roll call vote was taken. In favor: Councilman Elliott, Charles, Gregory, Hickling, Twitchell, and Guinn. Opposed: Councilman Hoffman. Motion carried.

M/M by Councilwoman Charles to proceed past 10:00 P.M. Voice vote was taken and was unanimous. Motion carried.

ITEM B. INTRODUCTION OF RESOLUTION NO. 214 (A RESOLUTION AMENDING THE LOAN AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE ALASKA MUNICIPAL BOND BANK AUTHORITY AND THE CITY OF BETHEL, ALASKA).

Manager Hoffman introduced Resolution No. 214 and requested that it be read by Miss Kraning. M/M by Councilman Hoffman that Council approve Resolution No. 214. Motion seconded by Councilwoman Hickling. Roll call vote was taken. In favor: Councilman Elliott, Charles, Guinn, Twitchell, Hickling, Gregory, and Hoffman. Opposed: None. Motion carried.

ITEM C. INTRODUCTION OF RESOLUTION NO. 215 (A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY OF BETHEL AUTHORIZING THE IMPROVEMENT OF SAND SURFACED ROADS

IN THE CITY LIMITS OF BETHEL TO BE GRAVELED AND TO BE PAID WITH FUNDS ALLOCATED TO ALASKA BY THE 1976 HIGHWAY ACT, THE SAFER OFF-SYSTEM ROADS PROGRAM).

Manager Hoffman introduced and read Resolution No. 215, and recommended its approval. M/M by Councilman Elliott that Council approve Resolution No. 215 as presented. Roll call vote was taken. In favor: Councilman Hickling, Hoffman, Elliott, Guinn, Twitchell, Gregory, and Charles. Opposed: None. Motion carried.

M/M by Councilman Elliott that Council adjourn. Voice vote was taken and was unanimous. Mayor Guinn adjourned the meeting at 10:30 P.M.

APPROVED:

MAYOR JOHN GUINN

ATTEST:

ALTHA J. HILL, CITY CLERK