



CITY of BETHEL

P. O. Box 537 • Bethel, Alaska 99559

543-2297 — Area Code 907

REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING
April 8, 1974

KYUK STUDIO

7:30 P.M.

Meeting was called to order at 7:45 P.M. by Mayor Hoffman.
Present: Crow, Murphy, Nicori, Richardson, Connick, Gregory (came in late)
Interpreter: Martha Larson

Minutes of the March 11 and March 21, meetings was read by Edge.
11/11 Connick that minutes be approved as read.
Voice Vote, unanimous in favor. Motion passed.

Translation.

COMMUNICATIONS

Letters of praise to the Volunteer Fire Department from Superintendent, BIA and Fire Marshall, Anchorage regarding the recent fires were read by Edge. A Proclamation from the Bethel Native Association, regarding researchers, was also read by Edge.

Translation:

MANAGER'S REPORT read by Edge.

Richardson- Put two Resolutions under New Business regarding Sewer and waste disposal.

MAYOR'S REPORT Hoffman stated he has sent telegrams to several Legislators requesting \$100,000 for road funding in the subdivision area. He also sent a telegram to Commissioner Thompson on closing of the Dorm. If the BIA didn't and wouldn't fund then the State would.

Translation:

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Murphy- Some of the things that were brought up in the Public Safety Committee meeting were:

- a. The mobile radios in the Police Dept. are out. New radios should be requested.
- b. Constant breakdown of vehicles, we feel another vehicle should be budgeted.
- c. A warning should go out to the people regarding grass fires and open burning.
- d. Officer Albright has left for training, leaving the Dept. short of a Patrolman.
- e. There has been approximately 40-50 dogs done away with since the quarantine.
- f. Alcohol arrests have dropped in Bethel.
- g. Winjim will be going on his vacation for 3 weeks in May. Jesse Massalie will be acting in his place.

Crow- The Land Use Committee met on April 5, Land Lease was issued to Sonny Davis. Time and rate to be set by Council.



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Gregory- April 5, A Recreational meeting was held. Proposal for Camp Fire Girls will be made in 3 weeks regarding the funding.

Senior Citizens get-to-gether will be held on April 28, Sunday after the Spring Carnival.

Murphy-The City should be working with the Camp Fire Girls on funding, they should have a back-up fund for such.

PEOPLE TO BE HEARD

John Guinn-Subdivision lots - When is the dead line on payments of lots?

Are any of the lots being turned back due to non-payment?

If not, whats being done about it?

The lot owners committee is still standing by and that recommendations should be made to the committee.

Paul Gregory- Troopers and Police Officers have no business coming into our yards with fire arms and shooting dogs. He stated that people should use a little more common sense in the use of fire arms.

Walter Larson - It is my understanding that if we had one house that we could not own another, is this true? Connick stated that Larson was trying to improve his living conditions, defraying the cost of new home and he should be allowed to rent his old house.

OLD BUSINESS

Under Grant - N.I.A.A.A.- A Grant was awarded in amount of \$10,000 for a roller skating rink which is now office complexes. This money should be put in a special banking account and an amended proposal made for use of this money. The Recreation Committee should be thinking of what purposes this grant could be used for.

Confirming Poll Vote- City Manager to negotiate and sign for Camp Fire Girls 1974-75 funding.

M/M Richardson that Poll Vote of March 22, to go on record, signing of the Camp Fire Girls contract.

Voice vote, Unanimous in favor. Motion passed.

NEW BUSINESS

Renting of Old Liquor Store and Old Fire Hall- Only one proposal received, that of Jack Snyder.

Murphy - I feel that a discussion should have been held first, then made an agenda item and voted on.

Hoffman - The Council was present when this proposal was made but no body spoke up.

M/M Murphy to open up bid on renting of the Old Liquor store and Old Fire Hall.

Voice Vote, unanimous in favor.

Bid opened and read by Edge.



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M/M Connick that we accept Mr. Snyder's recommendation that agrees on a 30 day proposal of the Old Fire House at \$250.00 a month and the provisions of a 30 day notice.

Roll Call Vote, unanimous in favor. Motion passed

Fence for Cemetery- John Guinn-VFW if still planning on fencing the cemetery to keep snow machines from running through it, dogs digging and to purchase good fencing material. The VFW will do the labor and a definite cost will be brought to the Council at a later date.

Sewer Hook-up and Proposal- PHS Sewer Hook-Up and two resolutions were read by Edge.

M/M Connick moved the meeting continue beyond 10:00 P.M.
Voice Vote, unanimous in favor.

Paul Kreuzenstein, of H.V. Lounsbury & Associates was called upon to further discuss the PHS Proposal.

Connick- The Mayor should set a time for a work session to be held first to further study the resolutions and get a better understanding of what is going on.

M/M Gregory That a work session be held at 8:00 P.M. at the City office on April 10.
Voice vote, unanimous in favor. Motion passed.

Bethel Native Association Housing - YUT-

A brief discussion was held and minutes of the March 29, 1972, April 5, 1972 and December 13, 1972 meetings, regarding the YUT Agreement, was read by Edge.

Translation:

Mayor called for a 15 minute recess
Reconvened at 11:05 P.M.

M/M Connick If land is obtained, the City should be able to hook up at the established rate.

Voice vote, unanimous in favor. motion passed.

Taxi Permits

Mrs. Mildred Short requested that the 3 existing taxi permits be transferred to her name, which was formerly held by Monte.

Richardson- This will be taken up with transportation committee at their next meeting.

M/M Crow That Taxi permits be transferred from Monte to Mildred Short.
Roll call vote, Ayes by Connick, Crow, Gregory, Nicori, Hayes by Murphy and Richardson.
Motion passed.

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Dog and Use of Firearms Ordinances)

Connick- The above Ordinances were not intended as an agenda item but a work session should be held and the ordinances revised and up dated. A committee should be appointed.

Mayor Hoffman appointed Connick as Chairman and will pick his own group to work with.

Contract- Dock Operation A letter from Don Statter, Director, Division of Water and Harbors of Juneau, Alaska was read by Edge. A brief discussion was held.

M/M Connick that the City Manager be authorized to sign Agreement in behalf of the City of Bethel regarding the Contract for Dock Operations with the State of Alaska.

Roll Call Vote, Unanimous in favor. Motion passed.

Excess Properties & Material - Edge told the Council that there was some piling and board walk material that was left which should be stored or utilized as they were disappearing.

Connick- continuation is needed in board walk construction.

A member of the audience stated that an additional board should be put on board walk on the Brown Slough to keep small children from falling.

Land Rent Proposal- Mr. Davis

M/M Connick that the Land Use Committee report be accepted and that the sum of \$100.00 per month be charged Mr. Davis for the use of the lot and further a 30 day notice clause be added to the agreement.

Roll Call Vote, unanimous in favor. motion passed.

The Bethel Utilities Sub-division electricity and poles were discussed at this time which involved the \$20,000 to be loaned to Mr. Borrego and as each lot is hooked up he would be reimbursed and a small interest rate should be charged.

M/M Murphy that we ^{contingent on sale of liquor} loan Bethel Utilities \$20,000 for electricity to start the new sub-division, ~~from the liquor sales~~ and charge the Bethel Utilities an interest rate of 7% per annum.

Roll call vote- Six Ayes and one nay-Gregory. Motion passed

M/M Connick we adjourn.

Meeting adjourned at 12:30 P.M.

Miriam McLenore

City Clerk

Edward Hoffman Sr
Mayor

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