

REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING

MONDAY

OCTOBER 10, 1966

8:00 PM

V.F.W. HALL

The regular meeting of the Bethel City Council was called to order. As this was the first meeting after election, Tilly Christiansen was elected chairman.

L. Scott, City Clerk read the election results of the October 4th election and signed by the election judges. There were no objections to the results so they stand as read. M/M D. Swanson, M/S H. Elliot that the election results be accepted as read. Passed unanimously.

L. Scott administered the Council member oath to Joe Andrew, Howard Elliot, Ed Hoffman, Joseph Pike, Melvin Klokow, and Dave Swanson.

Roll was taken and present were: J. Andrew, T. Christiansen, H. Elliot, E. Hoffman, J. Pike, M. Klokow, Dave Swanson.

Election of Mayor:

M. Klokow nominated Joseph Pike, H. Elliot nominated Dave Swanson, E. Hoffman nominated Tilly Christiansen, M/M Dave Swanson M/S Klokow to close the nomination. Results by a secret ballot were: J. Pike four (4) votes and D. Swanson three (3) votes. Joseph Pike took over the meeting as Mayor elect.

The minutes and supplements for the meetings of September 12th and September 30th were read and approved as read.

Communications:

Mayor Pike read a letter of resignation from L. Scott. M/M H. Elliot, M/S Swanson that the council accept the resignation. Passed unanimously.

There were no committee reports.

Resolution #29 and Resolution #31 were filed for consideration.

L. Scott presented the council with a balance sheet as of Sept. 30, 1966. The sheet was considered and discussed and gave the council an idea of the financial standing of the City.

Mayor's Comments:

Mayor Pike questioned the legality of the Council choosing a Mayor. It is legal according to *A.S. 29.10.066*.

As this is the first opportunity Mayor Pike has had to participate in local government, he asked for patience and forgiveness if there are mistakes made. He hopes to do a good job for the Council and the people.

Old Business:

As the State Dept. of Highways has committed themselves to help the City backfill the seawall extension, it was the general feeling of the Council that M. Rowan and Mayor Pike get together and expedite the fill before "freeze-up".

Resolution #29 "City Employee's Sick leave, Vacation, Holidays" was read in its entirety. M/M Elliot, M/S Hoffman that we accept the Resolution #29 as read. Poll vote results: Andrew-yes, Christiansen-yes, Hoffman-yes, Elliot-yes, Klokow-yes, Swanson-no, Pike-yes. Passed by 6 Ayes and 1 Nay.

M/M Swanson, M/S Elliot that in paragraph two, section (b) of Resolution #29, the sentence be changed to read "the vacation period may acruer to not more than 30 days and if not taken, anything over 30 days would be lost.."

M/M Elliot, M/S Swanson we accept the amendment as read.. Passed unanimously.

M/M Elliot, M/S Swanson that Res. #29 be put into its second and final reading. Passed unanimously. The Resolution was read.

M/M Elliot, M/S Swanson we accept Resolution #29 as ammended in it's 2nd reading. Poll vote results: Andrew-yes, Christiansen-yes, Elliot-yes, Hoffman-yes, Klokow-yes, Swanson-yes, Pike-yes. Unanimous passage of Res. #29

Ordinance #30 "An Amendment adding certain and particular language to Ord. 25, Sect. 2, Sales" was read in full for it's third and final reading. M/M Swanson, M/S Elliot that Ord. #30 be accepted in it's third and final reading. Poll vote results were: Andrew-yes, Christiansen-yes, Elliot-yes, Hoffman-yes, Klokow-yes, Swanson-yes, Pike-yes. Unanimous passage of Ord. #30.

Ordinance #32 "An ammendment to be known as Section 30 of Ordinance #2, listing a certain misdemeanor as unlawful in the City of Bethel, Alaska, providing penalties for violation, and fixing an effective date," was read in its entirety for its third and final reading. M/M Swanson, M/S Christiansen that Ord. #32 be accepted in its third and final reading. Poll vote results: Andrew-yes, Christiansen-yes, Elliot-yes, Hoffman-yes, Klokow-yes, Swanson-yes, Pike-yes, Unanimous passage.

Ordinance #33 "An Ordinance Governing a City Fire Department" was read in its entirety. After much discussion regarding the complexity of this ordinance, M/M Swanson, M/S Christiansen that Ord. #33 be tabled. Passed by a vote of 6 Ayes and 1 Nay.

Rev. Gamble asked a question from the floor. Has the Council adopted anything to start setting up a planning and zoning code? A. Nicholson commented that the ASHA planning study would include recommendations regarding this.

New Business:

After discussion of whether or not the City has surplus planking left over from the seawall extension, M/M Elliot, M/S Hoffman that if they are surplus, we will sell twenty pieces of 2"x10' planks to Andy Edge at a cost of the lumber landed here in Bethel plus 15%. Passed unanimously.

Resolution #30 regarding City Limits and Ordinance #34 regarding Election were held over until next meeting.

M/M Klokow, M/S Swanson that the meeting continue past 10:00 Passed unanimously.

Marie Swanson suggested that the City work up an election pamphlet which the election judges could study on how to handle correctly the City elections. Much of the information could be taken from the State pamphlet. It was the general feeling of the council that M. Rowan work-up the pamphlet.

Resolution #31 a res. regarding the Council's recommendations to the State Alcohol Control Board was read in its entirety for its first reading. After discussion regarding the old Bethel Sales, Inc. and the necessity for this Resolution, M/M Swanson, M/S Elliot that Resolution #31 be accepted in its first reading as read. Poll vote results were: Andrew-yes, Christiansen-yes, Elliot-yes, Hoffman-yes, Klokow-yes, Swanson-yes, Pike-yes. Unanimous approval.

M/M Swanson, M/S Elliot that Res. #31 be put into its second^J and final reading. Passed unanimously. Res. #31 was read.

After more discussion, M/M Elliot, M/S Swanson that we ammend Res. #31 to read "that the liquor store will be operated by one non-profit corporation for community use only." Passed by a vote of 6 Ayes to 1 Nay.

M/M Swanson; M/S Hoffman that the Res. #31 be read again for its amended and final reading. Passed unanimously. The Res. was read.

M/M Swanson, M/S Elliot that we accept Res. #31 for its amended and final reading. Poll vote results were: Andrew-yes, Christiansen-yes, Elliot-yes, Hoffman-yes, Klokow-no, Swanson-yes, Pike-yes. Passed by a vote of 6 Ayes and 1 Nay.

Mayor Pike thanked the people in the audience for their participation and requested more of the same.

Andy Edge spoke from the audience requesting the Council to give consideration to the Bus Haul of School Children.

M/M Klokow, M/S Elliot to extend the agenda by one item and declare it a part of our agenda tonite. The one item to be the "Bus Haul". Passed unanimously.

After discussion, M/M klokow, M/S Swanson that the City of Bethel make itself responsible for the bus service to school for the children from kindergarden through third grade in the area from Bethel Cafe and beyond, this motion contingent upon the financial responsibility (at 25¢/child/round trip) to be assumed by the City if not by the State. Poll vote results: Andrew-yes, Christiansen-yes, Elliot-yes, Hoffman-yes, Klokow-yes, Swanson-yes, Pike-yes. Unanimous passage.

The council and audience were reminded that items on the agenda should be received by the City Clerk the Friday before the Council Meeting.

Comments of recognition and thanks were given to the past Mayor Art Nicholson and the City Clerk, Lynda Scott.

M/M Swanson, M/S Klokow the meeting adjourn at 11:00 PM.