

CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Kelly called to Regular Council Meeting to order at 7:30 P.M.

ROLL CALL

Present: Anvil, Dale, Hohman, Kelly, and Trantham.
Absent: Hoffman and Warner.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

The minutes of 06/27/89 were temporarily delayed and will be presented at the 07/25/89 Regular Council Meeting.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

M/M by Dale, 2nd by Trantham to approve the agenda as amended: Under New Business, delete Item A: Amendment #1 to Ordinance #33 Fire Department as this Ordinance has been repealed, and there is no conflict with with the existing Ordinance.

CITY MANAGER'S RPT

City Manager Earnest reviewed his written report with Council.
Discussion was held on item 14: Public Inebriate Funding of \$200,000 the State of Alaska set aside for Bethel. There are three options in which the City has to choose from:
(1) Status quo. The City continues to provide community service patrol and the YKCC continues to house P.C. cases;
(2) City of Bethel through PATC applies directly for the funds and provides intervention services; or
(3) City of Bethel solicits RFPs from non-profit and/or for-profit corporations to provide intervention services. Administration's recommendation is option (3).

MOTION

M/M by Dale, 2nd by Trantham to select option (3) for purposes of responding to the State by July 17, 1989.

A letter of response was received from the Military & Veterans Affairs on the cold weather grant application request. The State appropriated \$2 Million for this cause in the supplemental bill this year and received grant requests totaling \$5 Million. Therefore, the City received 40% of the requested (approximately) \$141,000. City Manager Earnest said that he, Finance Director Kehr, and Public Works Director Stock spent about one week researching and comparing 1988 and 1989 cold weather damage and utility costs increases to come up with the approximately \$141,000 related directly to the cold weather costs.

Councilmen Trantham thanked the City Manager, Public Works Director, Finance Director, and all other employees who participated in this effort. This indicates that they work together as a team, he said. Councilmen Trantham also thanked City Manager Earnest for distributing his Manager's Report before the meeting as there was time allowed to review it prior to the Council meeting.

FINANCE DIRECTOR'S
RPT

Finance Director Kehr introduced Tom Graham to the City Council who has recently been hired as the Accounting Manager. Kehr told Council that as of today, July 11, he submitted his resignation effective September 29, 1989. Councilmen Trantham questioned his resignation; Finance Director Kehr explained he did not wish to discuss it in open session. Councilmen Trantham asked permission to contact Finance Director Kehr by telephone the following day, and it was agreed upon.

There was Council discussion on the vacant positions within the City's Finance Department. Councilmen Anvil questioned the necessity of Finance Director Kehr's travel to Anchorage, paid for by the City, to interview the candidates. Kehr explained that it was less expensive than having the applicants travel to Bethel for the interview. Discussion was held, with questions regarding local and Bethel area applicants and promotions from within the City. Local applicants were not meeting the qualifications because the positions were requiring college degrees. City Manager Earnest explained that the Staff Accountant position required a college degree, but to be consistent with other positions within the City, the Staff Accountant position will be re-advertised and will not require a college degree. He further explained that the City Manager's position does not require a college degree, and that position should not be held higher than the City Manager's.

COUNCILMEMBER COMMENTS Councilmember Trantham asked that the Planning Commission vacancy be advertised in the Tundra Drums and have the message relayed on KYUK radio.

Councilmen Dale asked if a response was received from the letter sent out to a Bethel individual from the Port Director concerning material to be removed from the Small Boat Harbor. Port Director Greydauns reported that if there was no action, the personal material would be impounded and charged for storage.

REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES Councilmen Trantham announced that the next Public Works Committee meeting will be held on Tuesday, July 18, 1989, and the public is invited.

PEOPLE TO BE HEARD There were no people to be heard at this time.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS PUBLIC HEARING AMENDMENT #1: ORDINANCE #85 WATER, SEWER, AND GARBAGE RATE ADJUSTMENTS
Item A: Pub. Hearing
Am. #1 to Or. #85

Before the Public Hearing opened, Councilmen Trantham explained that per Council direction, the changes were made by the Public Works Committee for consideration by the Council. Two changes on this Amendment are: Page #1, strike "non-metered" from Section A, #1 under Solid Waste Collection; and add effective date, August 1, 1989.

Public Hearing on
Am. #1 Or.#85
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Mayor Kelly opened the Public Hearing on Amendment #1 to Ordinance #85 at 8:13 P.M.

There were no public comments on the Public Hearing; Mayor Kelly closed the Public Hearing at 8:15 P.M. Council discussion was held on the proposed changes. Councilmen Trantham explained the current & recommended changes and asked that Council again review the cost of services and revenue in the next six months.

MOTION

M/M by Trantham, 2nd by Hohman to amend the Amendment #1 to Ordinance #85
(1) Delete "non-metered" under Frequency of Service of Residential Service/Solid Waste Collection.
(2) Add effective date, August 1, 1989.
Poll vote, motion carried 5/0.

MOTION

M/M by Dale, 2nd by Anvil to approve Amendment #1 to Ordinance #85.

Item B: Pub. Hearing
Am. #5 to Ord. #180

PUBLIC HEARING ON AMENDMENT #5: ORDINANCE #180
FY 89 BUDGET

Mayor Kelly opened the Public Hearing to the floor at 8:45 P.M. No questions or comments were heard; Mayor Kelly closed the Public Hearing at 8:48 P.M.

Councilmen Trantham asked Finance Director Kehr for an explanation on the money transfer. Kehr explained that there has been continuous problems with the current printer, and dollars have been located within the budget.

MOTION

M/M by Dale, 2nd by Anvil for approval of Amendment #5 to Ordinance #180/FY '89 Budget.

NEW BUSINESS:

Item A: Am. #1 to
Ord. #33

Item A: Amendment #1 to Ordinance #33 Fire Department was deleted as this Ordinance has been repealed, and there is no conflict with the existing ordinance.

Item B. Am. #1 to
Ord. #141

AMENDMENT #1 TO ORDINANCE #141 - DUTIES OF POLICE DEPARTMENT

City Manager Earnest explained that since Council mandated that the Police Chief no longer be a contract employee and report to the City Manager at the 06/27/89 meeting, an amendment is needed to modify Section 2.20.010 Established - Appointment of Chief.

MOTION

M/M by Trantham, 2nd by Anvil to hold a Public Hearing on Amendment #1 to Ordinance 141 at the 07/25/89 Regular Council meeting. Voice vote, motion carried.

NEW BUSINESS

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Item B: Labor Neg.
Contract

LABOR NEGOTIATIONS CONTRACT

City Manager Earnest said that APEA (Employees Union) has asked the City to respond to information requested by their office. They also asked that the City develop a plan/strategy for entering into labor negotiations with the Association. During the budget preparations for '90, \$25,000 was allocated for this purpose to hire a negotiator to represent the City on these matters. An RFP has been developed to hire a negotiator; this has been reviewed by the City Attorney and minor changes were made.

Councilmen Trantham said no action was necessary at this time, and a line item is in the budget. He reminded the City Manager not to exceed the \$25,000 allocated for the negotiator.

Item C: Sand Sale
Agreement

SAND SALE AGREEMENT

City Manager briefly covered the proposed Sand Sale Agreement handed out with the Council packets. The State of Alaska, Department of Transportation has identified the sand as suitable material for the road repair project and proposes to purchase 60,000 cubic yards. The City's Attorney has reviewed this agreement along with the previous agreements with Calista and Bethel Native Corporation and sees this agreement as valid.

MOTION

M/M by Dale, 2nd by Hohman to execute the Sand Sale Agreement with the State of Alaska effective July 11, 1989. Poll vote, motion carried, 5/0.

MOTION

M/M by Dale, 2nd by Anvil to move into executive session at 8:55 P.M. Voice vote, motion carried.

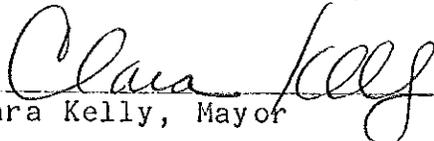
MOTION

M/M by Dale, 2nd by Anvil to go out of executive session at 9:08 P.M.

MOTION

M/M by Dale, 2nd by Anvil to adjourn at 9:10 P.M. Voice vote, motion carried.

PASSED AND APPROVED THIS 25th DAY OF JULY, 1989.


Clara Kelly, Mayor

ATTEST:


Karole A. Kohl, Acting City Clerk