



CITY of BETHEL

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CITY COUNCIL MINUTES
APRIL 13, 1981 7:30 P.M.
COUNCIL CHAMBERS

MEETING TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order by Mayor Guinn at 7: 30 p.m.

ROLL CALL

Present: D. Elliott, L. Charles, P. Twitchell,
D. Carpenter, E. Hoffman and J. Guinn.

Absent: B. Hoffman

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

M/M by D. Carpenter/2nd E.Hoffman to accept the minutes of March 3, 1981, Regular Meeting and March 31, 1981, Special Meeting as presented. Voice was taken and motion carried.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Manager Hoffman requested the following items be added to the agenda under New Business as:

- Item E. Grant for Water Truck
- Item F. PATC Resolution

Motion

M/M by D. Elliott/2nd L. Charles to approve the agenda as amended. Voice vote was taken and motion carried.

MANAGERS REPORT

Manager Hoffman gave a report on the following:

- (1) PATC's grant request for FY82 was well recieved by the State of Alaska but was considering a 10% increase for this years contract. The present contract is \$695,000. During last quarter, the 30 day facility experienced an 82% occupancy.
- (2) The State of Alaska Dept. of Environmental Conservation has approved a \$25,000, grant for the purchase of a new water vehicle. The acceptance of the grant requires Council's authorization.
- (3) The City has ordered 25 additional 8 yard garbage container. Hopefully by this fall, the State will finalize the Solid Waste Grant regulations and additional containers will be ordered.
- (4) The old solid waste site should be completely covered by this weekend and I would suggest the Council Members to go and look at it.
- (5) The Dredge has been completed and will be shipped on the first spring barge. The support vessel will be completed in May and will be shipped on the mid-summer barge.

MAYORS REPORT

Mayor Guinn stated he had no reports to give at this time.

REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES

Finance Committee D. Carpenter gave a report on the Finance Committee meetings for March 5, and April 7, 1981. The following were their recommendations:

- (1) If there is a land lease on the present recreation land, the revenues received be earmarked for the Teen Center operation.
- (2) The portion of the Municipal Assistant Funding be earmarked for the purpose of securing the feasibility study on the economic impact of Bethel on First Class Status with emphasis on the school funding issue.

Motion M/M by E. Hoffman/2nd D. Elliott to accept the minutes of the Finance Committee for their March 5, and April 7, 1981 meetings. Voice vote was taken and motion carried.

Public Safety and Transportation Committee D. Elliott reported the Public Safety and Transportation Committee is holding a meeting on Wednesday, April 15, at 12 noon in the Council Chambers.

Planning Commission L. Charles gave a brief report on their April 6, 1981, Planning Commission meeting but that the minutes weren't typed yet.

PEOPLE TO BE HEARD

Mission Road cutoff Barbara Knapp reported there was a drop of several inches on the Mission Road cutoff across from the Wintersteens and requested it be repaired.

21 Acre Park D. Carpenter reported she had received comments from the people who were pleased with the progress of the 21 Acre Park.

Library "Lake" She also questioned if there was any way of filing the "lake" in front of the Library with dirt to drain the water.

Manager Hoffman responded there were considerations in building a ditch from the Library to the State Highway to drain the water or put in more sand fill in that area.

Spring Clean-up D. Elliott questioned when the annual spring clean-up was scheduled for.

Manager Hoffman answered the policy was to schedule it after the river break up.

Discussion on the item.

The Council scheduled the annual spring clean-up for the weekend of May 1st.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Item A.

Resolution #325

Manager Hoffman stated the resolution was a request for funds from the Department of Transportation and Public Facilities to purchase vehicles to provide a mass transportation for the residents of Bethel. At the next Council meeting, a public hearing will be held to regulate the operation of the buses.

Motion

M/M by L. Charles/2nd D. Carpenter to accept and approve Resolution #325, A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF BETHEL REQUESTING GRANT FUNDS FROM THE DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION AND PUBLIC FACILITIES TO PURCHASE VEHICLES NECESSARY TO PROVIDE A MASS TRANSPORTATION SYSTEM FOR THE RESIDENTS OF THE CITY OF BETHEL as presented. Roll call vote was taken. Yeas: L. Charles, P. Twitchell, D. Elliott, D. Carpenter, E. Hoffman and J. Guinn. Nays: None. Motion carried.

Item B.

Teen Center Site
Selection

Manager Hoffman reported, at the last meeting, the Council had some concerns and didn't pass the site near the existing cementary selected to built the Teen Center. There were several recommendations with a key site adjacent to the Museum. The Parks and Recreation Committee had reviewed this site and their recommendation was the site adjacent to the cementary for the Teen Center.

L. Charles stated the Planning Commission had reviewed and recommended the site, too.

E. Hoffman objected to the selection of the site.

L. Charles questioned what the delay was with V.F.W. installing the fence around the cementary.

D. Elliott answered it was because of the snow machine trail crossing the designated perimeter. They had requested the City Planner to submit an outline and description as to where the fence should be installed but no response had been received yet.

Discussion on the item.

Motion

M/M by D. Elliott/2nd L. Charles to accept and approve Lot 2, between Osage and Mission Drive as land for the Bethel Teen Center. Roll call vote was taken. Yeas: L. Charles, P. Twitchell, D. Elliott, D. Carpenter and J. Guinn. Nays: E. Hoffman. Motion carried.

Item C.

Public Hearing on
Ordinance #124

Mayor Guinn opened the public hearing at 8:15 p.m.

Manager Hoffman reported the Council had passed the Ordinance in October, 1980, which required dogs to have parvo-virus vaccination 7 days before entering the

community. The Animal Control Agent felt there was no need for the Ordinance because the parvo-virus threat had subsided and requested it be withdrawn.

Public hearing closed at 8:18 p.m.

Motion

M/M by D. Carpenter/2nd D. Elliott to remove Ordinance #124, AN ORDINANCE PROVIDING FOR THE VACCINATION OF DOGS from the books. Roll call vote was taken. Yeas: L. Charles, P. Twitchell, D. Elliott, D. Carpenter, E. Hoffman and J. Guinn. Nays: None. Motion carried.

BREAK

The Council took a break at 8:30 p.m.

BACK TO ORDER

Mayor called the meeting back to order at 8:35 p.m. He wished, on behalf of the Council, E. Hoffman a Happy Birthday. He complimented E. Hoffman for the many years he had served the public and recommended the Council and City Administration come forward with a gift.

NEW BUSINESS

Item A. City of Bethel's Financial Statements ending Sept. 30, 1980.

Paul Foust of Price Waterhouse and Co., passed a copy of the Financial Statements to the Council and gave a narrative report on the issue.

Finance Director McGowan gave a brief narrative report on the current finance status for the City of Bethel between October, 1980 and February, 1981.

Motion

M/M by E. Hoffman/2nd D. Elliott to accept and approve the report on City of Bethel's Financial Statements ending September 30, 1980 as presented. Voice vote was taken and motion carried.

Item B.
Modification 6 of Resolution #242

Manager Hoffman introduced the modification and stated the number of permits were set by a resolution as required by the Ordinance. At the last meeting, Clark Miller, given 2 permits, and Fay Short, given 1 permit from the disbandment of Yellow Cab, had requested the permits be abolished. Subsequently, He received a letter from Mr. Short requesting not to annul the permit but be given authority to utilize it during evening hours. Tony Lewis, who has his own permit but works with Kusko Cab, is not driving during the nights. Mr. Miller was notified of the action and he submitted a letter disagreeing because, at the time of the request to abolish the permits, it wasn't needed at that time and isn't needed now. Manager Hoffman read the letters to the Council Members.

Fay Short of Kusko Cab stated he needed the permit to use it during the hours Mr. Lewis wasn't on the road. He couldn't approach Mr. Lewis and tell him how to run

his operation because he is satisfied with his schedule.

Discussion on the item.

L. Charles questioned why the procedure of transferring the permits to another cab company was being used.

Manager Hoffman stated it was an agreement between Kusko Cab, Yellow Cab and Checker Cab. The intend was, once the permits were transferred, they would be abolished. He recommended the Council to adopt Modification #6 of Resolution #242 as agreed.

L. Charles questioned if it was possible to continue Mr. Lewis' operation using Kusko's driver and cab with his permit.

Mayor Guinn responded it wasn't allowed under the Ordinance.

Manager Hoffman stated it wasn't in the Ordinance that anyone couldn't lease their permit to utilize it during the hours it wasn't used by the owner.

Discussion on the item.

Manager Hoffman questioned if Mr. Miller and Mr. Short were using all their permits.

Mr. Miller answered he uses all of his permits most of the time. Mr. Short stated he was using all of his permits.

Motion

M/M by D. Elliott/2nd L. Charles to adopt Modification #6 of Resolution 242, A RESOLUTION BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF BETHEL, ALASKA, MODIFYING THE NUMBER OF LIMOUSINE AND TAXI CAB PERMITS as presented. Roll call vote was taken. Yeas; D. Elliott, L. Charles, D. Carpenter, E. Hoffman and J. Guinn. Nays: P. Twitchell. Motion carried.

Item C.
Resolution #329

Manager Hoffman stated the Resolution would endorse the passage of Senate Bill #92, a bill granting \$50,000, funds to each qualified Library within each municipality.

Motion

M/M E. Hoffman/2nd L. Charles to accept and approve Resolution #329, A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF BETHEL SUPPORTING THE STATE OF ALASKA GRANTING EACH QUALIFIED LIBRARY \$50,000, FOR LIBRARIES THAT SERVE AS RESOURCE LIBRARIES IN THEIR AREAS as presented. Voice vote was taken and motion carried.

Item D.
Modification #1
of Ordinance #114

Manager Hoffman introduced the modification and stated it was setting a minimum requirements for holding tanks in houses within the community. This wouldn't require them to be serviced 2 or 3 times in a week by the City. The public hearing will be held within 30 days of introduction.

Motion

M/M by D. Carpenter/D. Elliott to approve the reading and introduction of Modification #1 of Ordinance #114, A MODIFICATION OF ORDINANCE #114 TO INCLUDE MINIMUM WATER AND SEWAGE TANK REQUIREMENTS as presented and that public hearing be held within 30 days. Voice vote was taken and motion carried.

Item E.
Grant for Water Truck

Manager Hoffman stated that City of Bethel had submitted a grant request to Department of Environmental Conservation to purchase a new water truck. The request is that 50% of the acquisition be paid by the ADEC under their grant program. It would be a deisel truck. There are plans to put another truck on a new route because of the growth in the community.

Motion

M/M by D. Carpenter/2nd E. Hoffman to accept Resolution #327, A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY OF BETHEL APPROVING A GRANT AGREEMENT AND AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTION THEREOF: SUCH GRANT BEING A GRANT FROM THE ALASKA DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL CONSERVATION FOR THE PURPOSE OF FINANCING THE BETHEL UTILITY WATER VEHICLE as presented. Roll call vote was taken and motion carried.

Item F.
PATC Resolution

Mayor Guinn read Resolution #328 to the Council Members.

Manager Hoffman stated it was a request for continuation of funds for the SOADA Program by the House Finance Committee.

Motion

M/M by D. Carpenter/2nd P. Twitchell to approve Resolution #328, A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY OF BETHEL, ALASKA SUPPORT FOR THE CONTINUATION OF THE PHILLIPS ALCOHOLISM TREATMENT CENTER as presented. Voice vote was taken and motion carried.

ADJOURNMENT

M/M by D. Elliott/2nd E. Hoffman to adjourn the meeting. Voice vote was taken and motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 9:35 p.m.

PASSED AN APPROVED:


John Guinn, Mayor

ATTEST:


Elsie Jennings, City Clerk

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