
City of Bethel, Alaska

City Council Minutes

May 31, 2005

Special Meeting

Bethel, Alaska

CALL TO ORDER

A special meeting of the Bethel City Council was held on May 31, 2005, at 6:30p in the Council Chambers, Bethel, Alaska.

Mayor Dymont called the meeting to order at 6:30p

ROLL CALL

Comprising a quorum of the Council, the following were present:

Andy McGowan	Dave Trantham
Hugh Dymont	R. Thor Williams
Dan Leinberger	Stanley "Tundy" Rodgers
Yolonda Jorgensen (attended via teleconference 6:47p-7:08p)	

Also in attendance were the following:
John Malone, Acting City Manager
Sandra Modigh, City Clerk

PEOPLE TO BE HEARD

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

MOVED BY:	Williams	To approve the May 31, 2005 Council Meeting agenda.
SECONDED BY:	Leinberger	

VOTE ON MOTION	Motion carried by unanimous Council concurrence.
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SPECIAL ORDER OF BUSINESS

MOVED BY:	Williams	To appoint Don W. Baird as the Bethel City Manager, authorizing the Mayor to sign the contract as amended.
SECONDED BY:	Leinberger	

HR Manager Hightower provided all Council Members a copy of the contract signed and approved by Don W. Baird.

Council Member Trantham requested materials of such nature be provided to Council Members in advance.

Council Members took a brief break to review the contract.

Council Members and Department Heads reviewed and commented on the proposed City Manager contract.

Council Member Jorgensen attended meeting via teleconference at 6:47p.

Council agreed to minor amendments to the contract.

VOTE ON MOTION	Motion passed by a roll call vote of 6-1 (no-Rodgers).
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MOVED BY:	Williams	To have the City Manager Baird bonding material added to the 6-25-05 Council Meeting Council Packet.
SECONDED BY:	Leinberger	

VOTE ON MOTION	Motion passed by unanimous Council concurrence.
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Council Member Jorgensen was dismissed from the meeting at 7:08p.

NEW BUSINESS

Item A- Introduction of Ordinance #05-11: Establishing a City of Bethel Annual Budget for Fiscal Year 2006, beginning date July 1, 2005 ending date June 30, 2006.

Finance provided Council a revised 5-31-05 FY06 Proposed Annual Budget.

Meeting recessed from 7:08p until 7:24p

MOVED BY:	Leinberger	To adopt Ordinance #05-11: Establishing a City of Bethel Annual Budget for Fiscal Year 2006, beginning date July 1, 2005 ending date June 30, 2006 as amended.
SECONDED BY:	Williams	

Assistant Finance Director Walters addressed Council to explain the revisions to the Proposed FY06 Annual Budget.

MOVED BY:	Williams	To strike line item 10-51-728 (Office of the City Manager) in the proposed FY06 budget.
SECONDED BY:	Leinberger	

VOTE ON MOTION	Motion passed by unanimous Council concurrence.
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Council discussed the option of repairing the Fire Department and Administrative Building roofing FY07.

Council pointed out a revision that Finance had not corrected-line item 10-52-541 (Council Training & Travel), to be reduced to \$13,440.

Council Member Leinberger updated Council regarding the Senior Center Transfer budgeted for FY06 after attending a meeting held with ONC & COB representatives on 5-31-05.

Council Member Leinberger advised Council he requested Finance to draft an ordinance raising the 911 surge charge.

MOVED BY:	Williams	To amend the proposed FY06 budget by increasing line item 10-53-649(Finance Department-Other Professional Fees) by \$20,000 and removing the Accounting Clerk Payroll Position.
SECONDED BY:	Leinberger	

Council Member Williams spoke in favor of out sourcing payroll to a company called ADP-Automatic Data Processing.

Finance Director Strahan addressed Council to speak in regards to the motion.

Council Member Leinberger stated he contacted AVCP who has begun using ADP, AVCP stated they are very pleased.

HR Manager Hightower explained to Council the benefits of using ADP.

Council continued to debate the motion.

VOTE ON MOTION	Motion failed by a roll call vote of 2-4 (yes-Williams & McGowan)
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Meeting recessed from 8:25p until 8:37p

Council Member Williams pointed out to Finance a revision that should have been made to shift differential in streets and roads Department 10-66 & 67 and to replace the dumpsters.

VOTE ON MOTION	Motion passed by a roll call vote of 5-0.
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ADJOURNMENT

MOVED BY:	McGowan	To adjourn meeting at 8:50p.
SECONDED BY:	Leinberger	

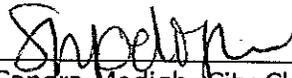
VOTE ON MOTION	Motion passed by Council concurrence.
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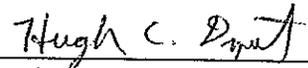
ADJOURNMENT

With no further business before the Council, the meeting was adjourned 8:50p.

APPROVED THIS 14th DAY OF JUNE, 2005.

ATTEST:


Sandra Modigh, City Clerk


Hugh Dymant, Mayor