

REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING
AUGUST 14, 1972

CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order at 8:10 p.m., by Mayor John Guinn, KVNA Building, Bethel.

ROLL CALL

Present: Romer, Cooke, Guinn, Hoffman, Murphy, Zahradnicek.
Absent: Dale.

READING OF MINUTES

The Clerk was asked to read the minutes of the Special Meeting of 7-26-72, which she did.

Zahradnicek objected to the minutes of the regular council meeting of 7-24-72.

John Guinn explained that the minutes of 7-24-72 were approved at the special meeting of 7-26-72.

There were no additions or corrections to the reading of the minutes of 7-26-72, so the chair ruled that they approved as read.

COMMUNICATIONS

A letter to John Guinn, Mayor from the U of A re: Local Advisory Board. John Guinn entertained a motion to approve or disapprove of Pat O'Rourke as Director for the Kuskokwim Community College.

M/M Zahradnicek, Murphy, discussion of the Community College be placed on tonight's agenda.

Motion passed unanimous voice vote.

A letter from Ted Stevens re: Meeting in Bethel, August 23rd and 24th, was also read.

Mr. Guinn explained about the discussion at the EDA Luncheon about taxi cabs, so he read a memorandum from Tom Dillon to all Cab and Bus owners re: Stopping in the road to pick-up or discharge passengers.

Mr. Benson read a letter from Roy and Ida Alexie re: The land they are presently sitting on, requesting purchase of said property.

M/M Murphy, Romer to put it on tonight's agenda.

Motion passed by unanimous voice vote.

He also read a letter from Advocacy Planning & Associates, Dave Webb, requesting the council to consider selling the Braund Building to Calista Corp.

M/M Hoffman, Zahradnicek to put the letter on tonight's agenda.

Motion passed by unanimous voice vote.

COMPLAINTS AND PEOPLE TO BE HEARD

Joe Mendola introduced Mr. Don Pruhs, who is purchasing Alice's Restaurant. Mr. Pruhs request the transfer of license be approved by council.

M/M Zahradnicek, Hoffman so moved this transaction be placed on the agenda.

Motion passed by unanimous voice vote.

Mr. Zahradnicek still disapproved of the way B.S.S. was giving the council a run-around, on the information requested earlier. There was discussion, resulting in asking the State Auditor for a copy of the B.S.S Audit and having Mr. Benson bring the contract with B.S.S. to council before signing, and for Mr. Benson to wait until Bethel Social Services comes to him to make out the contract.

ADMINISTRATOR REPORT

Mr. Benson read the letter from PHS on the proposed time schedule they set up for the City of Bethel to take over the water & sewer system at Bethel Heights.

There was discussion on why the City would not take over the system until the following were completed. Roads, Sewer System and the renovation of the houses. Council did not want to even discuss it right now.

Mr. Benson reported that Mrs. Ted Stevens was going to be in Bethel tomorrow the 15th. He also reported on the letter to NB of A about Faulkners property and the letter to Harry Faulkner.

M/M Murphy, Zahradnicek, so moved to place this on the agenda.

Motion passed by unanimous voice vote.

Mr. Benson wanted property at the Braund Building area placed on the agenda.

Mayor Guinn entertained a motion to place it on the agenda.

M/M Romer, Hoffman so moved.

Motion passed by unanimous voice vote.

Mr. Benson also reported on the problems developing from the title search of Swanson's property by the Sea-Wall, and also he reported KYUK Management be placed on tonights agenda for discussion.

M/M Zahradnicek, Cooke, place it on the agenda.

Motion passed by unanimous voice vote.

To complete the Administrator Report, Mr. Benson distributed the State of the Budget, effective June 30, 1972 to council.

MAYOR'S REPORT

None.

REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES

All committees had nothing with Bill Zahradnicek asking about the Street lights that were approved last Spring. The clerk was instructed to check on them with Northern Commercial Company. Also the clerk inquired about the meeting with the Land Use Committee and the Lot Selection Committee. No one showed up for the meeting with the exception of Al Romer. Mr. Benson stated there would be a letter from the Dept. of Highways on the status of the proposed road.

Mayor Guinn thought with the approval of Council, he would select another committee, due to the fact that most all of the first committee had moved out of Bethel.

OLD BUSINESS

None.

NEW BUSINESS

A) Community College.

M/M Cooke, Hoffman, we approve the selection of Pat O'Rourke as Director of the Kuskokwim Community College.

Motion passed by unanimous voice vote.

B) Land Purchase by Roy & Ida Alexie.

Council was confused on what land was in question. Mr. Benson showed a map of the area.

M/M Hoffman, Romer, for Mr. Benson to go ahead and contact the people on the questioned property, to pay for the survey costs, to acquire said lots.

Motion passed by unanimous voice vote.

C) Colista, re: Sale of Community Building.

Mr. Benson explained that Colista just wanted to talk about it now and possibly come up with some price figures. They will be needing a place to operate out of and they thought that building would be perfect.

Mr. Benson recommended to council that Mr. Zahradnicek be appointed to talk ideas with Colista to represent the City and return to council with a written proposal.

M/M Murphy, Guinn so moved on Benson's recommendations.

Roll Call Vote was requested by the chair.

Mr. Hoffman made an ammendment, seconded by Mrs. Cooke that Mr. Romer work with Bill Zahradnicek as an eskimo counter part or Mrs. Cooke, if he was not available and be given notice of a meeting with Colista just to talk ideas.

Ammendment passed by unanimous voice vote.

It was a unanimous voice vote on the main motion.

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D) Purchase of Alice's Restaurant.

There was discussion and confusion on this agenda item. There were motions made and seconded and amendments made and seconded and more motions made. Finally all motions made and seconded were withdrawn.

M/M Zahradnicek, Hoffman, the transfer of liquor license to Don Pruhs be acceptable to council. An entrance to a parking lot be built with the front entrance changed. At all possible, all to be completed within 60 days after the transaction to the best of their ability from our calendar year from this date.

Motion passed by unanimous voice vote.

M/M Zahradnicek, Hoffman, we go past 10:00 p.m.

Motion passed by unanimous voice vote.

E) Faulkners Property.

Mr. Benson stated he followed the City Attorney's advice, which was to not expand any money until the City had clear title to all property effected by the Sea-Wall. Also, concerning the Faulkner's Property, he informed the council that a letter of lien on property that was in the right of way, would commence August 28th if they were not moved. Mr. Benson was looking for authority from council to continue as such.

M/M Murphy, Hoffman so move the City Administrator Benson to deal with Faulkners houses as set forth by the attorney.

Motion passed by unanimous voice vote.

F) Relocating of Dick's Automotive.

There was discussion re: Property around the Braund Building, how it was getting crowded and that C & S Service would move if they could move to other city owned property on a lease basis again.

M/M Hoffman, Romer, we rent with a base to C & S Service the piece of land they request, on a 55 year lease, with improvements be made at their own expense and survey costs.

Motion passed by unanimous voice vote.

G) Management at K.Y.U.K.

M/M Zahradnicek, Hoffman, the council endorse the present management at K.Y.U.K.

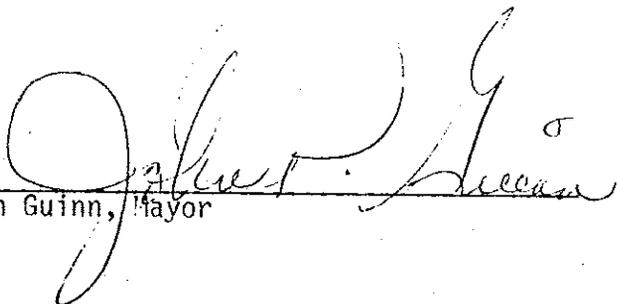
There was discussion that since the City of Bethel donated the property to Bethel Broadcasting, we should approve or disapprove of the Manager. Mrs. Cooke questioned the endorsement, since she knew Bethel Broadcasting was having problems with the management question, so she stated she wasn't going to endorse anything that was having problems. Councilman Murphy also stated he wasn't going to endorse trouble. Mr. Murphy also asked the City of Bethel representative on the Bethel Broadcasting Board, Mr. Zahradnicek, what was going on up at the station? He did not get an answer.

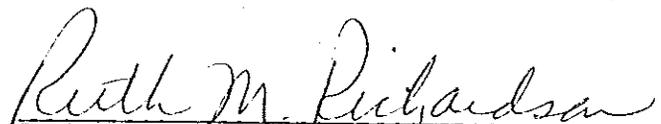
M/M Zahradnicek to adjourn.

Meeting adjourned without a second, at 10:30 p.m.

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I hereby certify the minutes to be true
and correct to the best of my knowledge.


John Guinn, Mayor


Ruth M. Richardson, City Clerk