



City of Bethel

"Deep Sea Port and Transportation Center of the Kuskokwim"

• P. O. BOX 7, BETHEL, ALASKA 99559

11 March 1971

REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING 8 March 1971

The meeting was called to order by Bruce Crow. Roll was called.

PRESENT: Eddie Hoffman, Kevin Murphy, Ben Dale, Bruce Crow, Johnny Guinn came in late.

ABSENT: Jack Baxter, Bill Zahradnicek

M/M Crow, Hoffman that Johnny Guinn be appointed Mayor pro-temp for this entire session only. Motion passed unanimously.

Minutes of the previous meeting were approved as read.

COMMUNICATIONS: The City Clerk read a letter from Donald Lowell, Director of the Alaska State Disaster Office, announcing a Flood Control Exercise to be held in Fairbanks on March 16th and 17th.

M/M Crow, Guinn that Jack Baxter, Civil Defense Director be authorized to attend this conference on Flood Control. Motion carried unanimously.

COMPLAINTS AND PEOPLE TO BE HEARD: Chief Tom Dillon requested Council's permission to attend meetings in Anchorage, Palmer, and Nome regarding both Police and Fire Depts. Nome has a city-owned, state contracted jail facility, and they also have a working alcohol program. Mr. Dillon requested ten days per diem plus air fare.

The City Administrator stated this money was in the budget. Discussion followed.

ADMINISTRATORS REPORT: Alaska Title and Guaranty has been hired to do the title search on the Brown Slough Project, and they will be in Bethel next week to begin the work.

The Alaska Transportation Commission will be here on Friday to conduct a public hearing in regards to bus service. The time and place of the meeting will be announced later.

A technical team from HUD will be in Tuesday evening for approximately three days, to look over the Bethel Heights situation. They intend to tear apart one of the houses to ascertain the faulty construction.

A highway engineering firm retained by HUD through ASHA, to do engineering work on the Bethel Heights roads. There is optimism that some work will be started prior to break-up.

The Senate Bill 80 passed recommendation and is in Senate Judiciary Committee. The bill for Powers of Eminent Domain for fourth class cities passed the Senate and is now in the House.



Councilman Crow asked about the Kuskokwim-Kronicle. Mr. Webb said some of the problem had been a place in which to print the paper, but that had been worked out and it was understanding from Mr. Stone that the paper would be published this week.

MAYORS REPORT: None.

TREASURER'S REPORT. None.

STANDING COMMITTEES: Linda Kofler, reporting for the Recreation Committee, announced the grand opening of the new Youth Center on March 6th, was a huge success. The Center is presently involved in moving, re-organizing and re-scheduling activities and hours of operation.

Councilman Hoffman reported that a Ruralcap meeting, Mr. Chris Cooke was approached about the possibility of having two attorneys working in Bethel on a full-time scale. Another attorney should be arriving within a month.
Councilman

Councilman Crow reported that the Economic Development Committee had formed a committee to set up a firm liquor policy to be presented to Council for its approval or rejection. Rev. Harry Trodhal, Mr. Charles Guinn and Mr. Sam Dinsmore were appointed to this committee, and Mr. Guinn reported on the efforts of this committee, to date.

M/M Crow, Murphy that the Bethel Development Corporation be requested to voluntarily close the bar on Sunday. Discussion followed.

POLL VOTE: Dale, yes; Guinn, yes; Murphy, yes; Hoffman, yes; Crow, yes.
Motion carried unanimously.

M/M Crow, Murphy that Council go into Executive Session to discuss the City's Personnel Problems and the collection of delinquent sales tax.
Motion carried unanimously.

The meeting was re-convened at 9:35 P.M.

M/M Crow, Dale for adjournment. Motion passed unanimously.

I certify these minutes to be true
and correct to the best of my know-
ledge.

Jean Faulkner
JEAN FAULKNER, City Clerk

Wm. B. Zahradnick
WM. B. ZAHRADNICEK, Mayor