



# CITY of BETHEL

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## MUNICIPALITY OF BETHEL CITY COUNCIL MINUTES NOVEMBER 12, 1979

### COUNCIL CHAMBERS

7:30 P.M.

Mayor Guinn called the Council meeting to order at 7:30 p.m. and called for the roll call. Present: Guinn, B. Hoffman, Carpenter, Elliott and E. Hoffman. Excused: Twitchell. Late: Charles. Quorum.

### III. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Mayor Guinn asked if there were any changes or corrections to the minutes of October 22, 1979.

Mayor Guinn noted that under XI., Unfinished Business, Item A. Election of Mayor, the second sentence in the fifth paragraph should read, "personal idiosyncrasies or grudges have no place in decision making on the Council".

M/M by E. Hoffman to accept the minutes of October 22nd as corrected. 2nd by Elliott. Voice vote taken. Motion carried.

### IV. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Mayor Guinn asked if there were any additions to the Agenda.

M/M by Carpenter to make the following addition under XII. New Business, Item D. Jim Barker - Kuskokwim 300 Race, a resolution, and to accept the agenda as amended. 2nd by Elliott. Voice vote taken. Motion carried.

### V. COMMUNICATIONS

Manager Hoffman stated that there are no communications, other than the ones included in the Council packets.

### VI. MANAGER'S REPORT

Manager Hoffman's report to Council covered the following topics:

- a) There will be a workshop with the general public invited on the proposed Bethel Small Boat Harbor. The meeting is November 29, 1979 at 7:30 p.m. in the Council Chambers.
- b) The addition of flouride to the City water supply.
- c) The Mayor's Legislative Conference, held November 14th

through November 16th.

Carpenter stated that she feels that the public should know that flouride has been added to the water.

VII. FINANCE DIRECTOR'S REPORT

Manager Hoffman stated that the firm of Price Waterhouse and Company is working on the audit and it should be completed in late January.

Mayor Guinn suggested that the Finance Director's Report be put on the agenda once every two months unless there is a special need for a report from him. There was no objection from Council.

VII. MAYOR'S REPORT

Mayor Guinn talked about the important role the committees play in our City. He cited several examples of priorities that the committees are working on. He stated that Council and the Community should keep these goals in mind and work together toward them. He stressed the need for good and dedicated people to work on the Committees.

IX. REPORT'S OF THE STANDING COMMITTEES

Mayor Guinn read the following list of members on the standing committees.

FINANCE

Diane Carpenter  
Owen Freeman  
Owen Lewis  
Marlin Knight  
Mary Pavil

PARKS & RECREATION

Peter Twitchell  
Fred Reich  
Ron Parker  
Bev Hoffman  
Barb Knapp

PUBLIC ENVIRONMENTAL HEALTH

John Guinn  
Gina Peltier  
John Peckman  
Pauline Chaney  
Jacob Nelson

PUBLIC WORKS

Bob Hoffman

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Jerry Korthius  
Jordan Suhr  
Jerry Dahl  
Hal Niebergall

SOCIAL CULTURAL

Don Elliott  
Gladys Jung  
Rae Baxter  
Phyllis Morrow  
Chrissie Shantz

Charles stated that the Planning Commission met on November 5th and there is still one seat vacant. She read the minutes of that meeting.

Charles stated that the Planning Commission would like to have a joint work session with Council members on Monday, November 19th at 7:00 p.m. There was no objection from Council and a work session was set.

M/M by E. Hoffman to accept the Planning Commission minutes with the addition of the date, November 5, 1979 at the top of the minutes. 2nd by Charles. Voice vote taken. Motion carried.

B. Hoffman stated that there will be a Public Works meeting on Friday, November 16th at 12:00 p.m.

X. PEOPLE TO BE HEARD

A citizen asked if Manager Hoffman had received the letter regarding the present day care center building.

Manager Hoffman stated that he has received the letter asking that once the building is vacated, the head-start program would like to use the building. He also stated that other groups have expressed interest in the building.

After general discussion, it was decided that this issue will be turned over to both the Parks and Recreation and Social/Cultural Committees for their consideration and recommendations.

M/M by Charles to add an application for Permit for Authorized Games of Chance and Skill for A.V.C.P. Development Corporation to the agenda as Item E under New Business. 2nd by B. Hoffman. Voice vote taken. Motion carried.

Carpenter expressed concern about not getting the Committee minutes in a more timely manner.

Manager Hoffman stated he would advise the appropriate staff member to rectify the problem.

Carpenter expressed concern about the safety hazard because of the limited vision around the corner caused by building materials stacked close to the highway by Guinn's Lumber Company.

Mayor Guinn assured Carpenter that as soon as the appropriate equipment is available and can get into the yard, the building materials will be moved.

Carpenter continued that it is in the interest of the community that these materials should be moved and in a timely manner.

M/M by Carpenter to direct the City Manager to follow up on the encroachment and to enforce the provisions of the Guinn Lumber Company lease in a timely fashion. 2nd by Charles. Voice vote taken. Chair abstained. Motion carried.

Charles asked about the Senior Citizen's discount on utilities.

Manager Hoffman stated that he is planning to present the alternatives to the Finance Committee at the next meeting.

Charles inquired about the dog cages and what has been decided about shelter.

Manager Hoffman stated that this may be taken care of later in the meeting.

Carpenter stated that she attended a conference on energy conservation and alternatives in Anchorage. She said that there will be a workshop in Bethel at K.C.C. this weekend. She would like to see this explored thoroughly and include this topic in Bethel's Comprehensive Development Plan if at all possible.

#### XI UNFINISHED BUSINESS

##### ITEM A. PAYMENT FEE ON 20' SECTION OF TUNDRA LANE

Manager Hoffman gave the following proposal for payment of the land.

690' x 20' @ \$.75 = \$10,350.00

There was general discussion on how the purchase should be handled.

M/M by Carpenter regarding the sale conditions of the 20' Section of Tundra Lane that the City enter into an agreement with B.N.C. to deed the property to B.N.C. with final title to be transferred upon completion of the road; with the road a minimum depth of 4' and a driving surface of 25' wide. 2nd by Charles. Poll vote taken. Yeas: Charles, Carpenter, Elliott and Guinn. Abstain: B. Hoffman and E. Hoffman. Motion carried.

##### ITEM B. RESOLUTION ON LOCATION OF BETHEL'S SMALL BOAT HARBOR

Charles asked to table this item and hold a work session regarding this issue.

M/M by E. Hoffman to table Item B. 2nd by Elliott. Vocie vote taken. Motion carried.

ITEM C. COMMITTEE APPOINTMENTS

Mayor Guinn read the following list of newly appointed committee members.

PUBLIC SAFETY & TRANSPORTATION

Lucy Crow  
Jerry Korthius  
Glenn Godfrey

PUBLIC WORKS

Hal Neibergall

Council took a ten minute break.

XII NEW BUSINESS

Item A. RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING A LOAN AGREEMENT FOR THE PURCHASE OF A D8- CAT

Manager Hoffman talked about the purchase of the D-8 Cat. He proposed paying \$1000.00 per month for 22 months.

Gary Volkman stated that the best quote he got last year on a used Cat was \$65,000.00 He also said that the plan is to build a shelter large enough to leave the Cat at the dump and also house the dog cages there now.

M/M by E. Hoffman that a resolution of the City Council of the City of Bethel authorizing the city administration to enter into a loan agreement for the purchase of a D-8 Cat and enter into a loan agreement for not more than \$22,000.00 for a period of up to 22 months for the Cat. 2nd by B. Hoffman. Poll vote taken. Yeas: Charles, Guinn, B. Hoffman, Carpenter, E. Hoffman, and Elliott. Motion carried.

ITEM. B. APPOINTMENT OF CITY OF BETHEL REPRESENTATIVE TO K.C.C. ADVISORY BOARD

Manager Hoffman explained that he has been the City of Bethel representative on the K.C.C. board with Nancy Kraning as alternate. He further recommended that Nancy Kraning be appointed to the board.

E. Hoffman stated that he felt that someone from the Council should represent the City.

There was general discussion on the subject.

M/M by E. Hoffman to appoint Charles to the K.C.C. Board. 2nd by Carpenter.

Charles stated that important decisions are made by the board and thanked E. Hoffman for the nomination but declined because she is already involved in many other things right now.

E. Hoffman withdrew his motion.

M/M by Elliott to table this item until the next meeting. 2nd by Charles. Voice vote taken. Motion carried.

ITEM C. APPLICATION FOR SALES TAX EXEMPTION

Manager Hoffman introduced this item. There was general discussion on the sales tax ordinance.

Manager Hoffman suggested that the issue be referred to the Finance Committee for their consideration.

M/M by B. Hoffman to refer the application for sales tax exemption to the Finance Committee for their consideration. 2nd by Elliott. Voice vote taken. Motion carried.

ITEM D. KUSKOKWIM 300 RACE - JIM BARKER

Jim Barker gave general information on the race and asked for a resolution from the City supporting the race. He also asked if the City could help by scheduling the vet at the same time as the race so he would be available to give the dogs a check-up before the race.

There was general discussion on various problems and solutions regarding the race.

M/M by Carpenter that the City of Bethel, as a donation, provide the services of a vet for one day service for the Kuskokwim 500 Race. 2nd by Elliott. Voice vote taken. Motion carried.

Manager Hoffman stated that the Animal Control Agent will be available to assist with transportation of the dogs.

M/M by Elliott that the City make a resolution welcoming all mushers and encouraging this race. 2nd by E. Hoffman. Voice vote taken. Motion carried.

ITEM E. APPLICATION FOR PERMIT FOR AUTHORIZED GAMES OF CHANCE AND SKILL FOR A.V.C.P. DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION

Charles introduced the request for this application.

M/M by Elliott to approve the application. 2nd by Charles. Voice vote taken. Motion carried.

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VI. ADJOURNMENT

M/M by Charles to adjourn the meeting. 2nd by Hoffman. Voice vote taken. Motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 9:40 p.m.