
City of Bethel City Council Meeting Minutes

June 8, 2010

Regular Meeting

Bethel, Alaska

I. CALL TO ORDER

A Regular Meeting of the Bethel City Council was held on June 8, 2010 at 6:30p, in the Council Chambers, Bethel, Alaska.

Mayor Joseph Klejka called the meeting to order at 6:34p.

II. ROLL CALL

Present: Council Member Allen Hippler
Mayor Joseph Klejka
Council Member Richard Robb
Council Member Thor Williams

Absent: Council Member Beverly Hoffman
Vice-Mayor Eric Middlebrook
Council Member Heather Pike

Also Present: City Manager Lee Foley
City Clerk's Assistant Alyse Lincoln

III. PEOPLE TO BE HEARD

Daisy May Barrera –
Spoke in favor of the Senior Center, asking the council for support.

Ted Berry-
Spoke in favor of the swimming pool.

John Quinn-
Spoke for the ONC Request.

Louise Charles-
Spoke for the ONC Request.

John Wallace-
Spoke to recognize the problem with the dusty roads. Claiming the water trucks are wasting money and water. Asking the Council Members to come up with a dust control plan.

IV. SPECIAL ORDER OF BUSINESS

Item A- Award To Robert Lekander For His Dedication And Faithful Service To The City.

V. APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA

MOVED:	Williams	Motion to approve the consent and regular agenda.
SECONDED:	Robb	
MOVED:	Williams	Motion to amend, to postpone Ordinance 10-14 until the last council meeting in July.
SECONDED:	Robb	
VOTE ON MOTION	All in favor	
MOVED:	Robb	Motion to amend, to remove the 5/25/2010 meeting minutes from the consent agenda.
SECONDED:	Williams	
VOTE ON MOTION	All in favor	
MOVED:	Robb	Motion to amend, to postpone Ordinance 10-17 until the next regular meeting.
SECONDED:	Hippler	
VOTE ON MOTION	2-2 Motion fails, Robb and Williams opposed	
VOTE ON MAIN MOTION	All in favor	

VI. APPROVAL OF THE MEETING MINUTES

Item A-5/13/2010 Special City Council Meeting
Passed on the consent agenda.

Item B-5/17/2010 Special City Council Meeting
Passed on the consent agenda.

Item C-5/20/2010 Special City Council Meeting
Passed on the consent agenda.

Item D-5/24/2010 Special City Council Meeting
Passed on the consent agenda.

Item E-5/25/2010 Regular City Council Meeting

MOVED:	Robb	Motion to approve the meeting for May 25, 2010.
SECONDED:	Williams	
MOVED:	Robb	Motion to amend, under Committees and Commission Report to insert "Public Safety and Transportation Committee had a meeting in May".
SECONDED:	Williams	
VOTE ON MOTION	All in favor	
MOVED:	Robb	Motion to amend, to insert Vice-Mayor Middlebrook called the meeting to order at 6:30p.
SECONDED:	Williams	
VOTE ON MOTION	All in favor	
VOTE ON MAIN MOTION	All in favor	

Item F-5/27/2010 Special City Council Meeting
Passed on the consent agenda.

VII. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Item A – Public Hearing Of Ordinance 10-14: Increasing The Transient Lodging Business Tax And Eliminating Sales Tax For The Rental Of Rooms.
Postponed until the last regular council meeting in July.

Item B – Public Hearing Of Ordinance 10-17: Amending The Conflict Of Interest Section Of The BMC To Prevent The Exchange Of Gifts For A Promise To Vote Or Act In A Particular Manner.

Mayor Klejka opened the public hearing.
No one wished to be heard.
Mayor Klejka closed the public hearing.

MOVED:	Pike	Motion to adopt Ordinance 10-17 was made at the May 25, 2010 meeting.
SECONDED:	Middlebrook	

MOVED:	Williams	Motion to amend, Ordinance 10-17 to strike \$10 and insert <u>\$25</u> .
SECONDED:	Robb	
MOVED:	Williams	Motion to table until the next meeting.
SECONDED:		
VOTE ON MAIN MOTION	Does not carry due to a lack of a second	
VOTE ON TABLING MOTION	1-3 Motion fails, Williams in favor	
VOTE ON MAIN MOTION	2-2 Motion fails, Williams and Klejka opposed	

Item C- Public Hearing Of Ordinance 10-21: Allowing Two Members Of The Transportation Industry To Sit On The Public Safety and Transportation Commission.

Mayor Klejka opened the public hearing.

No one wished to be heard.

Mayor Klejka closed the public hearing.

MOVED:	Robb	Motion to adopt Ordinance 10-21.
SECONDED:	Williams	
MOVED:	Robb	Motion to amend, 2.25.030 to strike one year and insert <u>six months</u> .
SECONDED:	Williams	
VOTE ON MOTION	All in favor	
VOTE ON MAIN MOTION	3-1 Motion fails, Williams opposed	

Item D- Public Hearing Of Budget Ordinance 10-22: An Ordinance Establishing A City Of Bethel Budget For Fiscal Year 2010-2011 Beginning July 1, 2010.

Mayor Klejka opened the public hearing.

No one wished to be heard.

Mayor Klejka closed the public hearing.

MOVED:	Hippler	Motion to adopt Budget Ordinance 10-22.
SECONDED:	Robb	
MOVED:	Robb	Motion to suspend the rules to hear from the Finance Director, Laurie Walters.
SECONDED:	Hippler	
VOTE ON MAIN MOTION	Motion passes.	
MOVED:	Williams	Motion to table until the June 15 th 6:00 p.m. special meeting.
SECONDED:	Hippler	
VOTE ON TABLING MOTION	All in favor	

MOVED:	Williams	Motion to take a five minute break.
SECONDED:	Hippler	
VOTE ON MAIN MOTION	All in favor	

Item E- Public Hearing Of Budget Ordinance 09-11 (h): Budget Modification.

*Mayor Klejka opened the public hearing.
No one wished to be heard.
Mayor Klejka closed the public hearing.*

MOVED:	Williams	Motion to adopt Budget Ordinance 09-11 (h).
SECONDED:	Hippler	
MOVED:	Williams	Motion to amend, to strike \$5,987 insert <u>\$7,500</u> in line item 10-51-732 equipment rental.
SECONDED:	Robb	
VOTE ON MAIN MOTION	All opposed	
VOTE ON MAIN MOTION	3-1 Motion fails, Williams opposed	

VIII. NEW BUSINESS

Item A – *Introduction Of Ordinance 10-23: An Ordinance Placing An Advisory Question Before The Qualified Voters At The City Of Bethel Regular Election, October 5, 2010 "Shall The Bethel City Council Members Receive A Fifty Dollar (\$50) Stipend For Each Council Meeting They Attend".

Passed on the consent agenda.

Item B – *Introduction Of Ordinance 10-24: An Ordinance Of The Bethel City Council Amending The Bethel Municipal Code 3.64.060 Political Activity To Add New Subsections Authorizing Public Safety Volunteers To Serve On The City Council.

Passed on the consent agenda.

Item C- AM 10-29: Travel Approval For AML Representative To Attend The Alaska Municipal League Conference, August 18-20.

MOVED:	Hippler	Motion to approve AM 10-29.
SECONDED:	Williams	
VOTE ON MAIN MOTION		
All in favor.		

Item D- IM 10-07: Update On Emergency Dredging Permitting On The Small Boat Harbor.

MOVED:	Williams	Motion to suspend the rules to hear from Port Director, Peter Williams.
SECONDED:	Hippler	
VOTE ON MAIN MOTION		
All in favor		

Item E- AM 10-30: Acceptance of Settlement Agreement Between The City Of Bethel And QAP/COAlaska.

MOVED:	Williams	Motion to approve AM 10-30.
SECONDED:	Hippler	
VOTE ON MAIN MOTION		
All in favor		

Item F- AM 10-31: Request Council Approval For Personal Leave On Friday, June 18, 2010, And Friday, July 2, 2010.

MOVED:	Williams	Motion to approve AM 10-31.
SECONDED:	Hippler	
MOVED:	Williams	Motion to amend, AM 10-31 to change the dates from June 18 th - July 1 st and July 2 nd .
SECONDED:	Hippler	
VOTE ON MOTION	All in favor	
VOTE ON MAIN MOTION	All in favor	

IX. REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES

Port Commission-

- Next meeting will be on June 21st at 7pm

Public Safety and Transportation Commission-

- Next meeting will be on July 6th on Tuesday
- There Is One Opening and Two Alternates
- No Cab Drivers Allowed

Public Works Committee-

- Regular committee vacancies and two alternate vacancies

Planning Commission-

- Two Openings Available

Finance Committee-

- No Report

Parks and Recreation Committee-

- No Report

Energy Committee-

- No Report

Cemetery Committee-

- No report

X. MAYOR'S REPORT

XI. MANAGER'S REPORT

XII. CLERK'S REPORT

XIII. COUNCIL MEMBER'S COMMENTS

Council Member Hippler

-No comment

Council Member Williams

-The Swanson's Hardware has been broken into.

- looking for staff to watch the small boat harbor from midnight to 8am.

-Mr. Wallace's concerns, dust control. In the Hoffman sub division, the water trucks have been seen once. Last year, Williams was told that there was enough calcium chloride to make it through the year. This budget, we have dust control money at 2.5 million, it would be worth buying a million dollars of rock. Hopefully will buy \$500,00 to 1 million dollars of calcium chloride, because it is a big concern.

- Crowley is doing a good job but the price of fuel may prohibit community members from subsistence fishing. Two years ago fuel was \$144 a barrel. Last year, it came down to half that price but only came down 40 cents per gallon. Fuel is at \$80 a barrel and per gallon amount is going up in price, needs some explanation. Need to have state and federal people look at this, the Bethel economy is hurting. Member of the community should have seen 3.6% increase in electricity; instead 5 or 6% increase because fighting for the price of fuel. Fighting really hard to make electricity in our community, to make it very valuable global economic, but salaries aren't meeting the inflations.

-Congratulates to his mother and father in law, on June 2nd they celebrated their 53rd marriage anniversary.

Council Member Robb

-There are a lot of good issues and ordinances that are passed, hopes to revisit them in the future.

-Wishes a good summer and good luck fishing and hopes the fuel doesn't go up too much.

Mayor Klejka

-Thanks NBA for providing the tide booklets.

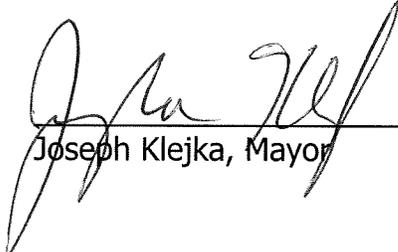
-Nice having the boat harbor workers on duty, appreciates the help.

- Lots of problem for the police officers, they have been picking up and bringing people to the hospital or the jail.
- Need somebody to be at the boat harbor through the night for security, getting 7 new cameras.
- John Wallace has mentioned calcium chloride to help stop the roads from being dusty. The city manager to contact the state to acquire the four bags they have in Bethel while the barge is on its way.
- Wishes everyone a safe and wonderful summer.

XIV. ADJOURNMENT

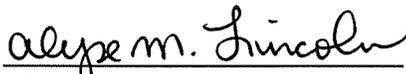
MOVED:	Williams	Motion to Adjourn.
SECONDED:	Hippler	
VOTE ON MAIN MOTION	All in favor.	

The council adjourned at 8:26 p.m.



 Joseph Klejka, Mayor

ATTEST:



 Alyse Lincoln, Assistant City Clerk