



# CITY of BETHEL

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## MUNICIPALITY OF BETHEL REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING AUGUST 24, 1977

### COUNCIL CHAMBERS

7:30 P.M.

Meeting was called to order by Mayor Peltola at 7:39 P.M.  
Present: Elliott, Hickling, Hinsvark, Peltola, Malone (entered late).  
Absent: Guinn, Charles.

### INVOCATION

Invocation was given by Father Hinsvark.

### APPROVAL OF MINUTES

M/M by Councilwoman Hickling to approve the Minutes of the August 10, 1977, Regular Council Meeting. Voice vote was taken and was unanimous. Motion carried.

### APPROVAL OF AGENDA

M/M by Councilman Hinsvark to approve the Agenda as presented. Voice vote was taken and was unanimous. Motion carried.

### COMMUNICATIONS

None other than those distributed prior to the meeting to Council.

### MANAGER'S REPORT

The manager's report was given by Ms. Kraning in lieu of Manager Hoffman's absence:

- 1) On Saturday, August 27, 1977, Manager Hoffman will be testifying in Anchorage, before the Interim Committee on Corrections. The prime function of the committee is to examine the breakdown in negotiations between the State of Alaska and local governments over the jail contracts pending.
- 2) Additional information was received from Attorney Joseph Thibodeau concerning the tax case on Community Liquor Store. Mr. Thibodeau stated the government has filed an intent to appeal and it is anticipated the case may continue for another three to four years.

3) Manager Hoffman is enroute to Seattle with the EDA grant application for a bowling alley and rifle range. It is anticipated that funds for a bowling alley will be available.

4) A construction agreement with the department of Health and Social Services is being negotiated and it is anticipated that a finalized agreement will be signed Friday by Manager Hoffman in Juneau.

5) Resolution No. 208, pending approval of the V.F.W., will be on the Agenda August 26, 1977. Resolution No. 208, provides for development of the five acre plot, Tract A, Block 9, of the NW Addition to the Bethel Townsite, known as the Community Recreation Center.

FINANCE DIRECTOR'S REPORT

None

MAYOR'S REPORT

None

REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES

Chairman Hinsvark presented the Minutes of the July 14, 1977, Parks and Recreation Committee for Council's approval. M/M by Councilman Hinsvark that Council approve the July 14, 1977 Minutes of the Parks and Recreation Committee. Voice vote was taken and was unanimous. Motion carried.

Chairman Peltola presented for Council's approval the Minutes of the June 17, 1977, Finance Committee Meeting. M/M by Councilman Elliott that Council approve the Minutes of the June 17, 1977, Finance Committee Meeting as presented to Council. Voice vote was taken and was unanimous. Motion carried.

Councilwoman Hickling reported that she planned to schedule a meeting of the Social, Cultural and Economic Committee tentatively for September 1, 1977.

Councilman Hinsvark in Councilman Guinn's absence reported that the Personnel Committee would make a decision concerning the appointment of the Parks and Recreation Director by September 15, 1977. He recommended that Council ratify the appointment of Robert Buttane, Director of the Alcohol Treatment Center, as suggested by the Personnel Committee. M/M by Councilman Hinsvark that Council ratify the appointment of Robert Buttane as Director of the Alcohol Treatment Center. Voice vote was taken and was unanimous. Motion carried.

Father John Hinsvark inquired as to who would be assuming financial responsibility for the installation of water meters within the ASHA Housing Project, and if some inspection of the buildings located within that project was scheduled following the completion of the raising of those buildings as required to accomodate the passage of pipes below them.

He was informed by Mr. Gary Volkman, Public Works Director, that the financial responsibility for the installation of water meters within the project would be assumed by the individual home owners. Also, Mr. Volkman stated that he had inspected the work being done on the homes to secure them after they were raised. He stated that the strapping being employed was superior to the small metal grates that the houses were originally set on.

Mrs. Rosy Porter asked that Administration research the garbage ordinance as it pertained to the dumping of junked cars over the river bank. She was under the assumption that some reference had been made within the ordinance to address the problem Administration was directed to research the ordinance, as the practice was still continuing.

#### UNFINISHED BUSINESS

ITEM A. PUBLIC HEARING ON ORDINANCE NO. 101 (AN ORDINANCE ESTABLISHING A SUPPLEMENTAL APPROPRIATION FOR THE CITY OF BETHEL FOR FISCAL YEAR 1976-1977.

Finance Director, Ralph Engebret, introduced Ordinance No. 101, for a second reading. Mayor Peltola opened a Public Hearing on Ordinance No. 101, at 8:20 P.M. Mayor Peltola closed the Public Hearing on Ordinance No. 101, at 8:25 P.M. M/M by Councilman Elliott that Ordinance No. 101, be tabled until such time as the Finance Committee could meet to review it further. Roll call vote was taken. In favor: Councilmembers Elliott, Peltola, Hickling, Malone, and Hinsvark. Opposed: None. Motion carried.

ITEM B. PUBLIC HEARING ON LEASE: CITY OF BETHEL AND LOUSE TOWN DEVELOPMENT ASSOCIATION.

Mayor Peltola opened the Public Hearing on lease: City of Bethel and Louse Town Development Corporation at 8:30 P.M. As spokesperson for the Louse Town Development Corporation, Mr. Bruce Crow questioned the rental figure, stating that he felt there was a discrepancy between that suggested at the Planning Commission meeting in which the lease was reviewed and the amount now quoted within the lease; he further queried the insurance amounts required by the lease. Mr. Malone suggested that the minutes of the Planning Commission be reviewed to determine the amount per square foot that had been set, and that the exact footage be obtained through a survey by Mr. Bianchi. Mr. Malone further suggested that Mr. Crow might be unduly concerned about the insurance amounts requested by the lease, and suggested that the Louse Town Development Association go through the insurance companies to determine how much it would actually cost them. Mayor Peltola closed the Public Hearing at 8:40 P.M. M/M by Councilman Malone that the Lease be approved between the City

of Bethel and the Louse Town Development Association contingent upon the agreement of both parties as to the rate and square footage of the lease agreement; the lease agreement would then be finalized at the August 26, 1977, Council Meeting. Roll call vote was taken. In favor: Council members Elliott, Hickling, Hinsvark, Malone, and Peltola. Opposed. None. Motion carried.

ITEM C. PUBLIC HEARING ON LEASE: CITY OF BETHEL AND JESUIT GROUP HOME.

Mayor Peltola opened the Public Hearing on lease: City of Bethel and Jesuit Group Home at 8:45 P.M. Mayor Peltola closed the Public Hearing on lease: City of Bethel and Jesuit Group Home at 8:50 P.M. M/M by Councilman Elliott that the lease: City of Bethel and Jesuit Group Home be approved by Council. Roll call vote was taken. In favor: Council members Peltola, Hickling, Hinsvark, Malone, and Elliott. Opposed: None. Motion carried.

ITEM D. PUBLIC HEARING ON LEASE: CITY OF BETHEL AND ASHA

Mayor Peltola called a Public Hearing on the lease: City of Bethel and ASHA at 8:55 P.M. Mr. David Seal, as representative for ASHA, stated that ASHA requested that Tract D, be dropped from the lease agreement as ASHA did not want to accept responsibility for maintenance of the equipment already installed there. He further requested that Council consider lowering the rental rate. Councilwoman Hickling suggested lowering the rate to \$50.00. Mayor Peltola closed the Public Hearing on the lease: City of Bethel and ASHA at 9:00 P.M. M/M by Councilman Elliott that the City of Bethel approve the lease: City of Bethel and ASHA; that the rental rate be reduced to \$50 per year; and that all reference to Tract D, within the lease, be struck. Roll call vote was taken. In favor: Peltola, Hickling, Hinsvark, Malone, Elliott. Opposed: None. Motion carried.

NEW BUSINESS

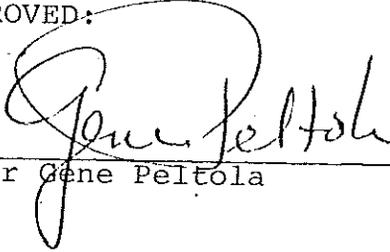
ITEM A. CITY OF BETHEL: BUILDING INSPECTOR

Ms. Kraning stated that the discussion of a building inspector for the City of Bethel had been placed on the Agenda at the request of Councilwoman Hickling. Mayor Peltola stated that he felt a building inspector was a priority for the City at this time in order to alleviate encroachment on neighboring properties and right-of-ways when future buildings are erected. Mrs. Hickling also voiced her concern for buildings that were now being erected in the flood plain despite the Flood Plain Ordinance regulations on building requirements. Councilman Malone stated that he felt the City needed two more dog catchers before they initiated a building inspector program. Public Works Director, Gary Volkman stated that he was in agreement with Mayor Peltola as to the need for an inspector at this time; he further stated that he felt that the building inspection program should run concurrently with a building permit system, which would also serve to defray

a portion of the cost of the program. M/M by Councilman Elliott that the Planning Commission be asked to review and present for Council's consideration their recommendations for a building inspector and permit program at the Second Regular Council Meeting in September. Roll call vote was taken. In favor: Council members Hickling, Hinsvark, Peltola, Elliott, and Malone. Opposed: None.

M/M by Councilwoman Hickling that Council adjourn. Voice vote was taken and was unanimous. Motion carried. Meeting was adjourned at 9:30 P.M. by Mayor Peltola.

APPROVED:

  
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Mayor Gene Peltola

ATTEST:

  
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Altha J. Hill, City Clerk