



CITY OF BETHEL

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SPECIAL CITY COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES
SEPTEMBER 30, 1981 12:00 NOON
COUNCIL CHAMBERS

ROLL CALL

Mayor Guinn called the Special Meeting of the Bethel City Council to order at 12.10 p.m.
Present: Charles, Twitchell, Carpenter, Guinn
Absent: Elliott, B. Hoffman, E. Hoffman

APPROVAL OF
AGENDA

M/M by Carpenter, 2nd by Charles to accept the agenda. Voice vote was taken, motion carried.

UNFINISHED
BUSINESS

ORDINANCE NO. 129, AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF BETHEL, ALASKA, ESTABLISHING A CITY BUDGET FOR FISCAL YEAR 1981-82 AND AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

discussion

Finance Director David McGowan gave an overview of the budget.

Councilmember Carpenter addressed the Council as to the Finance Committee Recommendations. In addition, Councilmember Carpenter expressed her gratitude to

- a. City Administration for their work on the budget;
- b. Finance Director McGowan for the organization and completeness of the budget;
- c. the Finance Committee itself for its dedication to the City in making its final determinations on the proposed budget.

Ms. Carpenter continued with an explanation of the budget process and presented Finance Committee recommendations, to include:

- a. 10% across the board budget cut thereby giving a surplus of \$80,000 to be included in Administration funds;
- b. budget review in 3 months;
- c. funding of positions as recommended;
- d. delay on Capital Projects until revenues were evaluated
- e. deletion of Assistant Public Works position with the recommendation that the Utility Department be set up as a separate City Department responsible to the City Manager;

- f. establishment of a Purchasing Agent position;
- g. explore alternatives to City operation of the bowling alley.

Mayor Guinn opened the Public Hearing on Ordinance No. 129 at 12:35 p.m.

Additional discussion was heard on the establishment of a separate Utility Department, the Animal Control Program and CETA funding.

The Public Hearing on Ordinance No. 129 was closed at 12.35 p.m.

M/M by Charles, 2nd by Carpenter to accept and approve Ordinance No. 129 and to accept Finance Committee recommendation that a budget review take place in 3 months.

Roll call vote was taken:
Yeas: Charles, Twitchell, Carpenter, Guinn
Nays: none
Motion carried.

Councilmember Carpenter addressed the need for a policy decision from Council on the Municipal Assistance funds.

City Manager Hoffman expressed concern on funding the operating budget with moneys for other than City of Bethel direct needs; capital projects need to be addressed by Council and money should be dedicated to the seawall project.

Councilmember Carpenter stated that to not fund organizations could give the impression to the State that the City does not give priorities to organization needs.

City Manager Hoffman recommended that \$1.5 million of Municipal assistance monies or 75% of such monies, whichever is greater, be dedicated to the City general revenue fund.

ADJOURNMENT

M/M by Twitchell to adjourn. Meeting adjourned at 1:30 p.m.

PASSED AND APPROVED THIS 8th DAY OF OCTOBER, 1981.

ATTEST:


Wayne J. Maiers, City Clerk

PASSED AND APPROVED:


John Guinn, Mayor