

REGULAR
COUNCIL MEETING

VFW HALL

MONDAY

23 JANUARY, 1967

The regular Council meeting was called to order by Mayor Joseph Pike at 8:10, the invocation then being given. Present were: Joe Andrew, Tillie Christiansen, Eddie Hoffman, Melvin Klokow, Joseph Pike, and Dave Swanson. Absent was Howard Elliot.

The minutes were read and approved and the letter on insurance policies was read and referred to new business.

Under the reports of standing committees, Joe Andrew of the Roads Committee suggested that we store up dry sacks of sand in the summer for winter use on the roads. Mayor Pike stated that the idea would be considered. Dave Swanson of the Liquor Committee said that concerning the prices of liquor there was a 6-8% drop on volume items in effect now. Melvin Klokow of the Recreation Committee stated that a new site for the possible toboggan slide was being sought, the possibility of a roller rink was being considered further, and that information for a rifle range has been sent for.

The Treasurer's Report was read and it was suggested that she make a long range report on bank accounts as well as post a report of the City's financial standing.

In the Administrator's Report it was announced that the Billikin took the jail food contract and that the maintenance contract with Dale and Daly is now in effect. The prices of the lowered items have been posted in the liquor store. Information on a truck for the City has been written for. A telegram was sent to Ken Williams asking that he come to Bethel to see about the possibility of a new community building. The Boundary Commission met and Mike Rowan's testimony was heard with no objections being made to the annexation. The City Administrator reported on his trip to Anchorage. An expected 800 people are expected to be coming to the Winter Carnival. Price quotations have been asked for concerning the Chamber of Commerce brochures. Joe Rothstein and Herb Adams were spoken to in Anchorage and it was stated that the City may have funding from the Tourist Commission. The City Administrator gave a brief history of the Prematernal Home and its funding adding that Burton Biss suggested that we use all the public relations we can, use also this contractual relationship, and tie up our money thus making it more difficult for our funding to be taken away.

MMMK, MSDS to put ASCAP under New Business on the agenda for more discussion. Passed unanimously-6 ayes, 0 nays.

MAYOR'S COMMENTS: A committee will be set up to help determine the use of money from Bethel Community Liquor Sales, Inc. for community projects, the committee to make suggestions to present to the council. The City Clerk is to post a financial report of the City. While the Mayor is away in Anchorage Dave Swanson will be chairman while the Mayor is gone.

OLD BUSINESS: A preliminary report of the Committee on the Neighborhood Facilities Center was given, the January 22nd meeting attended by Art Nicholson, Dave Swanson, Rae Baxter, and Melvin Klokow. Kevin Murphy was also present. The report outlined what should be included in a Bethel Neighborhood Facilities Center and it was suggested that possibly 75% of the liquor store funds be set aside to assure the building would be underwritten.

The Lion's Club Gaming Permit was read again and after much discussion was passed in a MMDS, MSEH that we accept the Lion's Club permit as well as that of the Department of Education. Poll vote: Joe Andrew, Yes; Eddie Hoffman, Yes; Tillie Christiansen, No; Melvin Klokow, No; Mayor Pike, Yes; Dave Swanson, Yes; Passed- Four Yes, 2 No.

It was decided in a MMDS, MSMK that Arthur Nicholson be paid \$1506.08 to cover added costs during the erection of the City Garage and that we honor the bill of extra work and materials. Poll vote: Joe Andrew, Yes; Tillie Christiansen, Yes; Eddie Hoffman, Yes; Melvin Klokow, Yes; Mayor Pike, Yes; Dave Swanson, Yes; Unanimous. MMEH, MSTC that we continue beyond 10P.M. Passed, 5 ayes, 1 nay.

NEW BUSINESS: It was decided that there was to be one day set aside for a "sweep through town" in which volunteers would get together and shoot all stray dogs. It was decided also that it would be on a school day in the month of February. The price was raised from \$2. to \$4. a head for the shooting of a dog. No poll vote was taken as the money had been previously appropriated.

An amplifier is needed at the Cowan Hut but it was decided to wait until before buying one as one had been bought before. If it was found to be in /later good order a new one would be unnecessary.

A letter from a Mr. Gilleon at the University of Alaska was read concerning a Civil Defense Management Course. Although it was generally agreed that the course was worthwhile, it was felt that we have a crack National Guard outfit to work with. Mayor Pike will talk with Mike Rowan about the possibility of setting up a program on the local level possibly including a CD drill once or twice a year.

A monthly fee for a daily trash haul service for Community Liquor Sales, Inc. was set up in the form of a \$250.00 monthly contract, The water haul to be continued at previous rates.

Upriver and Downriver meetings were considered so as to discuss the possibility of having a 'jail' in the villages themselves, jail sentences possibly being suspended for 10 days of labor..in the villages from whence they came. It was suggested that legal clearance be searched thoroughly before any definite plans were made. The meeting would also include discussion on the liquor store, the villages having supplied lists of persons with disorderly history who are not to be allowed a liquor card.

Holiday Closing of the Liquor Store: Six federal holidays and Election days are included in the contract and in the Ordinance as days on which the liquor store is to be closed. It was decided that the store should close early on the Friday and Saturday of the dog races. The Liquor Board will meet and discuss this further.

A resolution was passed acknowledging ownership of the library building by the Bethel Women's Club. Rules and regulations and a letter of thanks to the City Council for past financial help were read. MMDS, MSTC that the Bethel Women's Club Resolution be accepted on its first and moved to the second and final reading. Poll vote: Joe Andrew, Yes; Tillie Christiansen, Yes; Eddie Hoffman, Yes; Mayor Pike, Yes; and Dave Swanson, Yes;.. Unanimously passed. MMDS, MSTC that the Resolution be accepted in its second and final reading. Poll vote: Unanimous, 6 Ayes, 0 Nays. It was decided that instead of waiting for the ASCAP board to come to the Council and tell them whether or not the Prematernal Home was to be salvaged or dismissed as 'low priority', that the City Council would go to ASCAP, and that the City should publicize this situation to the fullest. A direct letter is to be written to Sargent Shriver and telegrams are to be sent to Juneau, Bartlett, Gruening, and Pollock. The City Administrator was told to "use every angle at his discretion."

MMDS, MSTC That the meeting be adjourned at 11:30P.M.

APPROVED:

Mayor Pike