



CITY of BETHEL

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MUNICIPALITY OF BETHEL
CITY COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES
JUNE 15, 1978

COUNCIL CHAMBERS

7:30 P.M.

Meeting was called to order by Mayor Guinn. Councilpersons present: Elliott, Gregory, Hickling, Hoffman, Twitchell, Guinn. Councilperson absent: Charles.

Invocation was given by Councilperson Gregory.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

M/M by Councilperson Hoffman to approve the minutes of May 23, 1978, as written. Voice vote was taken and was unanimous motion carried.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Manager Hoffman requested that the following additions be made to the agenda: to add under New Business, Item B. Resolution No. 237, A RESOLUTION FROM THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF BETHEL REQUESTING GENERAL OPERATING SUPPORT FOR THE YUGTARVIK REGIONAL MUSEUM FROM THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH, EDUCATION AND WELFARE AND DIRECTING THE CITY MANAGER OR HIS DESIGNEE TO IMPLEMENT THE GRANT; Item C. Resolution No. 235, A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF BETHEL ACCEPTING THE GRANT IN AID OFFER BY THE ALASKA DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL CONSERVATION FOR THE BETHEL CIVIC CENTER WATER AND SEWER PROJECT AND DIRECTING THE CITY MANAGER OR HIS DESIGNEE TO IMPLEMENT THE GRANT; Item D. Resolution No. 236, A RESOLUTION FROM THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF BETHEL SUPPORTING THE CONTRACT PROPOSAL, RFP #NIA 78-0040-YOUTH, TO THE NATIONAL INSTITUTE ON ALCOHOL ABUSE AND ALCOHOLISM AND IF AWARDED DIRECTS THE CITY MANAGER OR HIS DESIGNEE TO IMPLEMENT THIS PROGRAM; Item E. Resolution No. 237, A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF BETHEL URGING THE GOVERNOR'S SIGNATURE ON SB 541, SB 542, SB 543, SB 552.

Councilperson Gregory requested that the following be added to the agenda: under New Business, Item F. City Manager's Contract.

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"Deep Sea Port and Transportation Center of the Kuskokwim"

M/M by Councilperson Twitchell to approve the agenda with the following amendments: under New Business, Item B. Resolution No. 237, A RESOLUTION FROM THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF BETHEL REQUESTING GENERAL OPERATING SUPPORT FOR THE YUGTARVIK REGIONAL MUSEUM FROM THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH, EDUCATION AND WELFARE AND DIRECTING THE CITY MANAGER OR HIS DESIGNEE TO IMPLEMENT THE GRANT; Item C. Resolution No. 235, A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF BETHEL ACCEPTING THE GRANT IN AID OFFER BY THE ALASKA DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL CONSERVATION FOR THE BETHEL CIVIC CENTER WATER AND SEWER PROJECT AND DIRECTING THE CITY MANAGER OR HIS DESIGNEE TO IMPLEMENT THE GRANT; Item D. Resolution no. 236, A RESOLUTION FROM THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF BETHEL SUPPORTING THE CONTRACT PROPOSAL, RFP #NIA 78-0040-YOUTH, TO THE NATIONAL INSTITUTE ON ALCOHOL ABUSE AND ALCOHOLISM AND IF AWARDED DIRECTS THE CITY MANAGER OR HIS DESIGNEE TO IMPLEMENT THIS PROGRAM; Item E. Resolution No. 237, A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF BETHEL URGING THE GOVERNOR'S SIGNATURE ON SB 541, SB 542, SB 543, and SB 552; Item F. City Manager's Contract. Voice vote was taken and was unanimous. Motion carried.

COMMUNICATIONS

None.

MANAGER'S REPORT

Manager Hoffman reported that the lot across from Jay's Auto was deeded to the Orthodox Diocese of Alaska in April of 1976.

The City Attorney, Ben Esch sent a letter to Larry Patson owner of the Bargin Cashe in regard to his nonpayment of City sales tax.

Manager Hoffman will be meeting with representatives of Blackstock concerning the trash in front of their building across from the cemetery, to discuss having the City clean up the area and then billing them, if no immediate action is taken by Blackstock.

At the next Council meeting on June 28, 1978, Col. James Fero, Deputy District Engineer and Mr. Carl Borash, Chief of Investigations will be here to discuss the potential for a small boat harbor and any requirements the City will have to meet.

MAYOR'S REPORT

Mayor Guinn reported that if the Kuskokwim River bank along Mission Road should erode any further this year a disaster will be declared and funds will be available through the Army Corps of Engineers for a two year Seawall plan.

Councilperson Hickling requested that the river bank along

Mission Road be roped off so that the children will stay out of the area.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Councilperson Hoffman reported that the Department of Transportation and Public Facilities will be in Bethel on June 19, 1978 to conduct inspections.

Councilperson Hoffman also reported that the B.I.A. will no longer be funding the the Bethel Social Services Child Care Facility and he has sent telegrams to Senator Hohman, and Senator Stevens asking their support of B.I.A. continuing funding of the Bethel Social Services Child Care Facility. He directed the City Administration to write to Mr. Clay Antioquia in regards to this matter.

Manager Hoffman presented the Planning Commission Minutes of April 7, 1978 the following recommendations were made:

M/M by Commissioner Pierce-Bulger to give Peter Aluska an extension until the May Planning Commission meeting. During that time Peter is to go to the bank to see if he qualifies for a credit loan. Voice vote was taken and was unanimous. Motion carried.

M/M by Commissioner Porter that the City relinquish the right to Joseph Murphy to sell his house, lot and improvements to whomever he chooses. Voice vote was taken and was unanimous. Motion carried.

Manager Hoffman presented the Planning Commission Minutes of May 1, 1978, with the following recommendations:

M/M by Mayor Guinn that the request to have the lot owned by Elm Corporation be approved for replatting into two (2) lots. Voice vote was taken and was unanimous. Motion carried.

M/M by Commissioner Porter that the City of Bethel subwrite a preliminary HUD Planning Grant if the Bethel Native Council gives their approval. Voice vote was taken and was unanimous. Motion carried.

M/M by Mayor Guinn that the City of Bethel decline its option to purchase Lot 4, Block 6, in the Village Subdivision. Since that time Mr. Demientief has past away and his wife no longer wants to keep the lot and build on it. She is giving the City of Bethel first option to purchase the lot with improvements. Voice vote was taken and was unanimous. Motion carried.

M/M by Councilperson Hoffman to approve the Planning Commission Minutes of April 1, 1978, and May 7, 1978, as written. Voice vote was taken and was unanimous. Motion carried.

Manager Hoffman presented the April 19, 1978, minutes of the Park and Recreation Committee, no recommendations were made.

M/M by Councilperson Hickling to approve the Parks and Recreation Committee Minutes of April 19, 1978, as written. Voice vote was taken and was unanimous. Motion carried.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

ITEM A. HEARING ON THE PROPOSED SAFER-OFF SYSTEM ROADS PROGRAM.

Mr. Walt Downs, of the Department of Transportation explained the Safer-off System Road Program. In this program the Department of Transportation will be graveling existing roads in Bethel, the following is a list of roads which will be graveled under this program: Akiachak Avenue, Napakiak Drive, Akiak Drive, Quinhagak Lane, Kwethluk Lane, Mission Drive, Lagoon Road, Cemetary Road, Seventh Avenue, Sixth Avenue, City Complex Street, Fifth Avenue, Fourth Avenue, Front Street, and Main Street. It is also planned to reroute Ridgcrest Drive in FY '79,

Mr. Downs informed the City Council that it is possible for the City of Bethel to assume the maintenance of these roads and participate in a revenue sharing program.

ITEM B. APPOINTMENT OF ELLEN KARPINSKI TO THE BOARD OF DIRECTOR'S FOR THE YUKON KUSKOKWIM HEALTH CORP.

Manager Hoffman stated that this seat on the YKHC Board of Director's was designated to be fill by a representative of Bethel Social Services.

M/M by Councilperson Hoffman to appoint Vicki Malone, Director of Bethel Social Services to the Board of Directors for YKHC Corp. If Mrs. Malone does not accept the appiontment Council requests that Mrs. Malone recommend someone from Bethel Social Services to fill the seat. Voice vote was taken and was unanimous. Motion carried.

ITEM C. NONPAYMENT OF CITY SALES TAX/BARGIN CACHE

Manager Hoffman reported to Council that the City Attorney, Mr. Ben Esch has written a letter to Mr. Larry Pattson owner of the bargain cache in regards to the nonpayment of City sales tax.

NEW BUSINESS

ITEM A. JAIL CONTRACT NEGOTIATIONS

Manager Hoffman stated that the City of Bethel is requesting \$258,000 from the State for the operation of the Bethel Jail Facility. He requested that the City Council not sign a contract for less than the \$258,000 requested, and if the contract is not signed by the State of Alaska, close the facility to all State offenders, until such time that the contract is signed. Manager Hoffman stated that if the Jail Facility is closed there will be a temporary lay-off of jail employees.

M/M by Councilperson Hoffman that the City of Bethel not sign a Jail contract with the State of Alaska for less than \$258,000 and if the contract is not signed by the State of Alaska, close the Bethel Jail Facility to all State offenders until such time that the contract is signed. Roll call vote was taken. In favor: Councilperson Twitchell, Hoffman, Guinn, Elliott and Gregory. Oposed: None. Councilperson Hickling choose to abstain.

ITEM B. RESOLUTION NO. 237, A RESOLUTION FROM THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF BETHEL REQUESTING GENERAL OPERATING SUPPORT FOR THE YUGTARVIK REGIONAL MUSEUM FROM THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH, EDUCATION AND WELFARE AND DIRECTING THE CITY MANAGER OR HIS DESIGNEE TO IMPLEMENT THE GRANT.

Manager Hoffman read and introduced Resolution No. 237, A RESOLUTION FROM THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF BETHEL REQUESTING GBENERAL OPERATING SUPPORT FOR THE YUGTARVIK REGIOAN MUSEUM FROM THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH, EDUCATION AND WELFARE AND DIRECTING THE CITY MANAGER OR HIS DESIGNEE TO IMPLEMENT THE GRANT.

M/M by Councilperson Hickling to approve Resolution No. 233, as written. Voice vote was taken and was unanimous. Motion carried.

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Manager Hoffman read and introduced Resoluion No. 235.

M/M by Councilperson Hoffman to approve Resolution No. 235, as written. Boice vote was taken and was unanimous. Motion carried.

ITEM D. RESOLUTION NO. 236, A RESOLUTION FROM THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF BETHEL SUPPORTING THE CONTRACT PROPOSAL, RFP #NIA 78-0049-YOUTH, TO THE NATIONAL INSTITUTE ON ALCOHOL ABUSE AND ALCOHOLISM AND IF AWARDED DIRECTS THE CITY MANAGER OR HIS DESIGNEE TO IMPLEMENT THIS PROGRAM.

Manager Hoffman read and introduced Resolution No. 236.

M/M by Councilperson Gregory to approve Resolution No. 236, as written. Voice vote was taken and was unanimous. Motion carried.

ITEM E. RESOLUTION NO. 237, A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF BETHEL URGING THE GOVERNOR'S SIGNATURE ON SB 541, SB 542, SB 543, AND SB 552.

Manager Hoffman read and introduced Resolution No. 237.

M/M by Councilperson Hoffman to approve Resolution No. 237, as written. Voice vote was taken and was unanimous. Motion carried.

ITEM D. CITY MANAGER'S CONTRACT

Mayor Guinn requested that this item be discussed at the City Council work session to be held on June 19, 1978, 7:30 p.m., Council Chambers.

Councilperson Gregory stated that she will call and Personnel Committee meeting before the next Council Meeting.

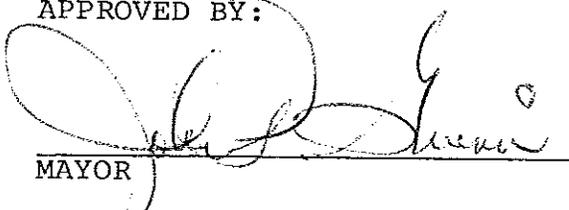
PEOPLE TO BE HEARD

Councilperson Hoffman suggested that during the Council work session of June 19, 1978, the Council discuss the possibility of Bethel becoming a first class city.

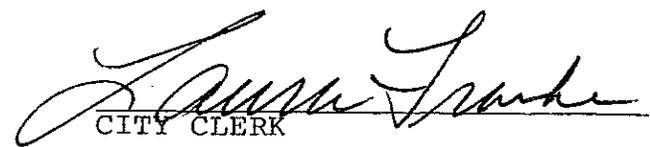
M/M by Councilperson Twitchell to adjourn. Voice vote was taken and was unanimous. Motion carried.

Adjournment was at 9:30 p.m.

APPROVED BY:


MAYOR

ATTEST:


CITY CLERK