
City of Bethel City Council Meeting Minutes

February 8, 2011

Regular Meeting

Bethel, Alaska

I. CALL TO ORDER

A Regular Meeting of the Bethel City Council was held on February 8, 2011 at 6:30p, at the City Council Chambers, Bethel, Alaska.

Vice-Mayor Williams called the meeting to order at 6:30p.

II. ROLL CALL

Present: Council Member Heather Pike (participated telephonically)
Council Member Richard Robb
Vice-Mayor Thor Williams
Council Member Terry Perry
Council Member Jennifer Schiedler
Council Member Tundy Rodgers

Absent: Mayor Eric Middlebrook

Also Present: City Manager Lee Foley
City Clerk Lori Strickler

III. PEOPLE TO BE HEARD

Brian McCaffery-Spoke in opposition to Ordinance 11-04: Repealing The Bethel Municipal Code Section 19.12.090 The Sale Of Obscene Material.

Ron Bowerman-Spoke in opposition to Ordinance 11-04: Repealing The Bethel Municipal Code Section 19.12.090 The Sale OF Obscene Material.

Phillip Perry-Spoke in opposition to Ordinance 11-04: Repealing The Bethel Municipal Code Section 19.12.090.

Chris Twiford-Spoke in opposition to Ordinance 11-04: Repealing The Bethel Municipal Code Section 19.12.090.

Willie Keppel-Spoke in favor of the recommendation presented by the Public Works Committee regarding the BATH Center.
Spoke in favor of the City taking action on the Bethel Utilities Rate Increase.

Mildred Twitchell-Spoke in opposition to Ordinance 11-04: Repealing The Bethel Municipal Code Section 19.12.090.

Danial Picazo-Spoke in opposition to Ordinance 11-04: Repealing The Bethel Municipal Code Section 19.12.090.

Diane Graham-Spoke in opposition to Ordinance 11-04: Repealing The Bethel Municipal Code Section 19.12.090.

Elizabeth Erikson-Spoke in opposition to Ordinance 11-04: Repealing The Bethel Municipal Code Section 19.12.090.

Darlean Mojin-Spoke in opposition to Ordinance 11-04: Repealing The Bethel Municipal Code Section 19.12.090.

Josephine Davies-Spoke in opposition to Ordinance 11-04: Repealing The Bethel Municipal Code Section 19.12.090.

Council Member Pike departed the meeting at 7:20p.

IV. APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA

MOVED:	Schiedler	Motion to approve the consent and regular agenda.
SECONDED:	Rodgers	
VOTE ON MAIN MOTION	All in favor	

I. SPECIAL ORDER OF BUSINESS

Item A- Presentation Of The Fiscal Year 2010 Audit By Michelle Drew.

Council Member Pike returned to the meeting 7:25p.

II. APPROVAL OF THE MEETING MINUTES

Item A- 1/25/2011 Regular City Council Meeting.

Passed on the consent agenda.

III. REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES

Item A-Planning Commission

No one was available to provide the report.

Item B- Port Commission

A meeting was not held due to a lack of a quorum.

Item C- Public Works Committee

Provided the recommendation to the City Council to direct the City Manager to pursue partnerships to help move the Bethel Aquatic and Training Facility forward.

Held an election of Chair and Vice-Chair.

Council took a brief at ease.

IV. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Item A –Public Hearing Of Ordinance 11-02: Modifying Bethel Municipal Code 2.52.050 Boards, Committees And Commissions Terms.

Vice-Mayor Williams opened the public hearing.

No one wished to be heard.

Vice-Mayor Williams closed the public hearing.

MOVED:	Rodgers	Motion to adopt Ordinance 11-02.
SECONDED:	Schiedler	
VOTE ON MAIN MOTION		
All in favor		

Item B- Public Hearing Of Ordinance 11-03: Amending Bethel Municipal Code Sections 4.10.010 And 4.10.020 Allowing For The Sale Of City Of Bethel Personal Property To Include Internet Sales.

Vice-Mayor Williams opened the public hearing.

No one wished to be heard.

Vice-Mayor Williams closed the public hearing.

MOVED:	Robb	Motion to adopt Ordinance 11-03.
SECONDED:	Pike	
VOTE ON MAIN MOTION		
All in favor		

Item C- Public Hearing Of Ordinance 11-04: Repealing The Bethel Municipal Code Section 19.12.090 The Sale Of Obscene Material.

Vice-Mayor Williams opened the public hearing.

Brian McCaffery-Spoke in opposition to Ordinance 11-04.
 Danial Picazo-Spoke in opposition to Ordinance 11-04.
 Diane Graham-Spoke in opposition to Ordinance 11-04.
 Elizabeth Erikson-Spoke in opposition to Ordinance 11-04.

Vice-Mayor Williams closed the public hearing.

MOVED:	Robb	Motion to adopt Ordinance 11-04.
SECONDED:	Pike	
VOTE ON MAIN MOTION	1-5 Motion fails, Pike, Williams, Perry, Schiedler and Rodgers opposed	

V. NEW BUSINESS

Item A – Introduction Of Budget Ordinance 10-22 (e): Amending The FY 2011 Budget Moving Money From City Clerk’s Supplies To City Clerk’s Overtime To Cover Overtime For Assistant.

Passed on the consent agenda.

Item B- AM 11-11: Appointment Of Ann Willert To The Finance Committee.

Vice- Mayor Williams appointed Ann Willert to the Finance Committee. The Council concurred.

MOVED:	Schiedler	Motion to approve AM 11-11.
SECONDED:	Rodgers	
VOTE ON MAIN MOTION	All in favor	

Item C- AM 11-12: Approval Of The City Manager’s Leave And Travel Request.

MOVED:	Rodgers	Motion to approve AM 11-12.
SECONDED:	Perry	
VOTE ON MAIN MOTION	All in favor	

Item D- AM 11-13: City Of Bethel Social Media Policy Modification And Approval Of Legal Review.

MOVED:	Robb	Motion to approve AM 11-13.
SECONDED:	Schiedler	
MOVED:	Schiedler	Motion to reconsider the vote previously taken.
SECONDED:	Robb	
VOTE ON MAIN MOTION	All in favor	
MOVED:	Robb	Motion to amend, to include forwarding the document to the attorney with all of the comments presented by the council.
SECONDED:	Rodgers	
VOTE ON MOTION	All in favor	
VOTE ON MAIN MOTION	3-3 Motion fails Pike, Rodgers and	
RECONSIDERATION OF THE VOTE	All in favor	

Item E- Recommendation From The Public Works Commission To Direct The City Manager To Pursue LKSD And Other Agencies To Form Partnerships To Move Forward With The Bethel Aquatic Training And Heath Center Concept.

MOVED:	Rodgers	Motion to direct the City Manager to pursue partnerships with LKSD and other agencies to move forward with the BATH Center.
SECONDED:	Schiedler	

MOVED:	Schiedler	Motion to amend, to allow council members to discuss this issue with other entity.
SECONDED:	Pike	
VOTE ON MOTION		
All in favor		
MOVED:	Robb	Motion to amend, to insert the <u>Parks and Recreation Director and/or their designees.</u>
SECONDED:	Rodgers	
VOTE ON MOTION		
All in favor		
VOTE ON MAIN MOTION		All in favor

MOVED:	Robb	Motion to take a ten minute break.
SECONDED:	Rodgers	
VOTE ON MAIN MOTION		
5-1 Motion passes, Schiedler opposed		

Item F – Approve The City Clerk’s Longevity Bonus Per Section 4. D. Of The Current Employment Contract.

MOVED:	Robb	Motion to approve the city clerk’s longevity bonus per the current employment contract.
SECONDED:	Perry	
VOTE ON MAIN MOTION		
4-2 Motion passes, Williams and Schiedler opposed		

Item G – Council’s Review And Modifications To The Proposed Employment Contract Between The City Of Bethel And Lori Strickler.

MOVED:	Rodgers	Motion to postpone items G, H and I until the next meeting and place it as an executive session item.
SECONDED:	Perry	

MOVED:	Robb	Motion to amend, to strike Item I offer of employee from the executive session items.
SECONDED:	Perry	
VOTE ON MOTION		
All in favor		
MOVED:	Schiedler	Motion to amend, to extend the current contract for a period of 30 days.
SECONDED:	Robb	
VOTE ON MOTION		
5-1 Motion passes, Pike opposed		
VOTE ON MAIN MOTION		
All in favor		

Item J- Council's Direction Concerning The City Of Bethel's Water And Sewer Master Plan.

MOVED:	Schiedler	Motion to direct the City Manager to readdress the City of Bethel Master Plan.
SECONDED:	Robb	
VOTE ON MOTION		
All in favor		
MOVED:	Rodgers	Motion to amend, to direct the City Manager to go out to RFP and begin working on an updated Master Plan using USDA money.
SECONDED:	Schiedler	
VOTE ON MOTION		
All in favor		
VOTE ON MAIN MOTION		
All in favor		

MOVED:	Rodgers	Motion to extend the meeting to 10:15p.
SECONDED:	Schiedler	
VOTE ON MAIN MOTION		
All in favor		

- I. MAYOR'S REPORT
- II. MANAGER'S REPORT
- III. CLERK'S REPORT
- IV. COUNCIL MEMBER'S COMMENTS

Council Member Perry-
Thanked the people who spoke under people to be heard.
The turnout for the parks and recreation was good, thanked everyone for coming.

Council Member Rodgers –
Hug an elder.

Council Member Robb-
It was good to see the participation and would like to see more on a regular basis.
Thanked the council for passing the ordinance to allow for a modification of the sale of public goods.
Wished the basketball teams the best during the basketball season.
Thanked the people who came out to speak on Ordinance 11-14.

Vice-Mayor Williams-
Appreciated the interaction with a member of another community who brought a load of wood to Bethel.
Reminded by the Port Director that the Denali Commission money was provided to the Port.

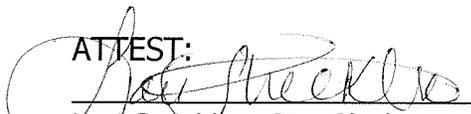
Council Member Pike-
Thanked the people who spoke under people to be heard.

Council Member Schiedler-
Thanked everyone for speaking under people to be heard.

The council adjourned at 10:15p.

V. ADJOURNMENT


R. Thor Williams, Vice-Mayor

ATTEST:

Lori Strickler, City Clerk