

REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING
SEPTEMBER 25, 1972

CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Guinn called the meeting to order at 8:05 P.M., Bethel.

ROLL CALL

Present: Cooke, Dale, Guinn, Hoffman, Murphy, Romer.
Absent : Zahradnicek (late).

READING OF THE MINUTES

The Clerk read the minutes of the regular council meeting of 9-18-72, which were approved without additions of corrections.

Councilman Zahradnicek walked in.

COMMUNICATIONS

A letter of thanks from Senator Stevens, for the help the City of Bethel gave when he was out with the Task Force.

Two letters, dated 9-15-72 and 9-20-72, from Raymond Gallaspie re: City Manager/Council Plan and Mayor/Council Plan, were read. Mr. Benson explained that the City Attorney and himself explained all of that to each council member already.

COMPLAINTS & PEOPLE TO BE HEARD

Donna Dinsmore complained about the Sanitation Service. She stated the boys were not picking her honey buckets up and when they did, they would not bring the bucket back. Margaret Cooke stated she would like them to check not only in the porch, but also in the house.

Mr. Ed Hoffman wanted to know who was responsible for the Bethel Heights roads. Mayor Guinn said that the road bids were out and let, and it was up to the bidder who was awarded the contract.

Councilman Romer stated there were no garbage pick-up and wanted to know why. There was some audience participation on the same line.

Mayor Guinn again stated that the roads were too bad to take in any trucks, and that is why garbage was not picked up.

Mary Gregory translated.

M/M Dale, Hoffman the roads at Bethel Heights be put on tonight's agenda under New Business.

Motion passed by unanimous voice vote.

ADMINISTRATOR REPORT

Mr. Benson reported on a possibility to put in pedestrian walkways up to Bethel Heights thru BIA. He and Mr. Taylor from BIA were working on this.

Mr. Benson also stated he had a meeting in Anchorage with a Coast Guard representative regarding placing a Coast Guard man in Bethel to patrol the rivers. There will be a meeting in Bethel on November 27th, 28th and 29th. The purpose of this meeting will be a training session and helping to set this up in Bethel. Mr. Hoffman

stated AVCP had sent a resolution to them for this purpose but has not received any thing back yet.

Mary Gregory translated.

MAYOR'S REPORT

Mayor Guinn stated he had picked the 7 man lot selection committee and had sent out letters to each member for radification.

He also reported on a public meeting that is set up on October 11, in Bethel with the Corp of Engineer regarding the Brown Slough Project.

Mayor Guinn stated that he, Mr. Benson, and Ed Hoffman would be getting together this week to go on the air and explain the difference between the two City Government Plans.

REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES

All committees had nothing. Councilman Hoffman wanted to say he had just come back from a State Wide Board Meeting in Wildwood. Councilman Murphy wanted to remind the Mayor that representatives had not been picked for the one slot on the YKHC Board and the one for the Community College Board.

M/M Murphy, Dale the appointment of the two board members be put on tonights agenda.

Motion passed by unanimous voice vote.

OLD BUSINESS

A) City Vehicles

M/M Hoffman, Cooke, I move that the City owned vehicles be used for official City Business only. Official business shall be construed to mean only that usage necessary to conduct the actual operations of City affairs.

Construed means in this case "understood" motion. It does not prohibit use of any equipment engaged in City Business, fire trucks, water trucks, loaders, cars can run anytime when on City Business.

ROLL CALL VOTE

Yes: Cooke, Dale, Guinn, Hoffman, Romer

No : Murphy, Zahradnicek

Motion passed by 5 to 2 Roll Call Vote.

M/M Hoffman, Cooke, I move that the City Administrator be authorized to rent or lease city owned equipment. When such equipment is not being utilized by the city and that the City Administrator shall report all such leases and rentals to the council at the next council meeting following the lease or rental, and that all such equipment, so leased or rented shall be considered as Official City Business

Councilman Murphy wanted the City Administrator exempt from the motion, which was defecated and dropped.

Amendment made by Dale, Murphy , any equipment lease requested will only be approved when no other equipment is available from any where else in town.

Roll Call on amendment passed unanimously .
Roll Call on the main motion passed unanimous.

Mr. Benson also wanted the fork lift put up for bid since the City did not need it.

M/M Murphy, Hoffman the City fork lift be put up for bid for a period of two weeks.

Motion passed by unanimous Roll Call Vote.

Mayor Guinn stated the bids will be opened at the next regular council meeting by council.

B) All City Land Leases.

Councilwoman Cooke opened this agenda item by stating that all land lease requests should be turned over to the Land Use Committee before signing. She said that the City Administrator should have got on the radio and let the people know that there was land available for lease and where. She recalled that the Council was presented the request and decided on it in a matter of minutes. This was in conjunction with leases by C & S Service and Guinn Lumber Company. She remembered that the request was by Dick's Automotive yet Chuck Herold signed the lease. The termination clause was also a question to her. It had a clause stating the lessor may terminate not the lessee terminate.

Mr. Hoffman stated that there was no approval of 2 acres.

Mary Gregory translated.

Mr. Hoffman asked if there was any chance to cut down to one acre. Mr. Benson stated that at the regular meeting of 8-14-72, he had showed a map to council on what property was being requested, and council ok'ed it.

Mrs. Cooke asked Mr. Romer if he had ever been presented with a land lease request. He stated no he hadn't. Mrs. Cooke stated there is a strong conflict of interest in both leases.

Mr. Benson said he would send all land leases and minutes to the City Attorney and get back in writing the legality of all leases with the City.

M/M Murphy, Dale, I so move that the council have a work session with land use committee, candidate for council and the City administrator on a given date, to discuss the disposition of city lands. What land can be leases and terms of lease, what land can be sold and price, commercial, private use and what land the City should hold on to for future city use. This information to be made available at council meeting on October 10, 1972. For Council approval,

Motion passed by unanimous voice vote.

Meeting to be held at the KVMA Building this Wednesday night.

Mr. Chris Cooke stated that being a lawyer himself, there were many things missing from the lease to make it a legal document.

NEW BUSINESS

A) Permit for authorized games of chance and skill for the fire department.

The Council inspected the application .

M/M Hoffman, Murphy we give approval to the Fire Department application for Games of Chance and Skill.

Discussion followed.

Amendment/M Murphy, Cooke the Council strike the bingo from the application.

Amendment failed by a Roll Call Vote by a vote of 2 yes - 5 no.

Main motion passed by unanimous Roll Call Vote.

M/M Dale, Hoffman we go passed 10 PM.

Motion passed by unanimous voice vote.

B) Bethel Regional High School Requesting Land For "Kuziguk".

Mayor Guinn stated this should be referred to the Land Use Committee. There was discussion from Mrs. Jorene Hout and Harold Sparcks, on what the building would consist of. Mrs. Hout stated the building would revert back to the city after completed. There was question on that. Mr. Sparcks stated the land requested was 24 x 24, with the building it would measure to be 30 x 30 or 900 sq. ft. and from the base to the ceiling 20 ' high.

M/M Dale, Murphy this item be referred to the Land Use Meeting on Wednesday.

Motion passed by a unanimous roll call vote.

C) Roads At Bethel Heights

Councilman Dale suggested the City block off the roads to service trucks only. There was discussion from the floor and council on how to fix them and why they had to be fixed.

M/M Dale, Zahradnicek, the roads at Bethel Heights be made passable for service trucks only to get to the houses, with sand starting in the morning. All other vehicles be excluded from the roads.

Motion passed by unanimous voice vote.

There was discussion on a dollar amount to expand on the roads

M/M Murphy, Dale, we don't exceed the \$10,000 limit set by ASHA on the roads at Bethel Heights.

Motion passed by unanimous voice vote.

D) Appointment To YKHC Board And Community College Board.

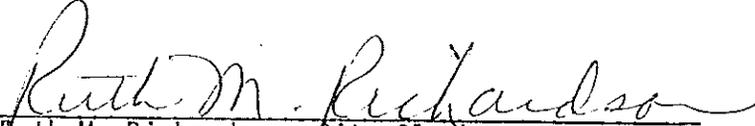
After Mayor Guinn asked if any of the Council members were interested in becoming a board member on YKHC and none accepted, he instructed the City Clerk to advertise the position on the radio and council would pick on at their next regular council meeting. He stated that since no member wanted to be on the Community College Board, he would represent the City until someone else was chosen.

M/M Dale, Hoffman to adjourn.

Motion passed by unanimous voice vote.

Meeting adjourned at 9:35 PM.

I hereby certify these minutes to be true
and correct to the best of my knowledge.


Ruth M. Richardson
Ruth M. Richardson, City Clerk


John P. Guinn, Mayor