

CALL TO ORDER

The regular meeting of the Bethel City Council was called to order at 7.30 pm by Mayor Guinn.

ROLL CALL

All members of Council were present.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

M/M by Sullivan, 2nd by Twitchell to accept the 11/28/83 Council minutes with the following change: John Binkley was absent from the 11/28 meeting due to attendance at the National League of Cities Conference at New Orleans. Voice vote, motion carried.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

M/M by Binkley, 2nd by Sullivan to adopt the agenda with the following changes:
Unfinished Business: Items A & B tabled
New Business: Item A, B & C tabled; add new Item D - Games of Skill/Chance
Voice vote, motion carried.

Council scheduled a Special Council meeting for Thursday, December 15, 7 pm to consider the organizational structure of the City. A work session on committee structure will be held on Thursday, December 22, 7 pm.

MANAGER'S REPORT

City Manager Hoffman reported to Council on the following items:

- a. the Administration is reviewing Bethel Utilities Waste Heat project proposal. A report will be made to Council after the first of the year;
- b. the City is in the final phase of compliance with D.E.C. concerning the City dump site.

MAYOR'S REPORT

Mayor Guinn reported to Council on the following items:

- a. Special Council meeting on December 15, 7 pm, concerning the organizational structure of the City;
- b. requested that Council cancel the December 26 Council meeting (Christmas Holiday)- approved.

REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES

PORT/TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION

City Manager Hoffman read the minutes of the 11/17/83 Port/Transportation Commission meeting. M/M by Twitchell, 2nd by Hoffman to accept the minutes as read. Voice vote, motion carried.

Councilmember Buttane requested that Administration provide Council with a copy of the City/Binkley Agreement. Administration will have the Agreement for Council at the Thursday, 12/15/83 Council meeting.

PEOPLE TO BE HEARD

Councilmember Hoffman requested that Council send a letter to the State Division of Corrections concerning the operation of the Cook Inlet Pre-Trial Holding Facility. Mr. Hoffman expressed concern as to the Facility's visitation policy as it relates to access and leaving the Facility. Referred to Administration for the drafting of the letter.

Councilmember Hoffman expressed concern about an alcohol related incident that occurred at the Teen Center. Mr. Hoffman expressed the need for greater supervision at the facility. Teen Center Coordinator Mary Morgan reviewed for Council the Center's rules concerning use of the building by teens. No action taken by Council.

Councilmember Hoffman requested that the City establish a more consistent time schedule for water fills by the City.

Councilmember Hoffman requested that the fence be placed around the old cemetery and that the crosses that have been knocked down be replaced. Administration reported to Council that the Public Works Department is attempting to replace the crosses, that the Police Department is investigating the damage to the cemetery, and that Building Maintenance is checking into the feasibility of erecting a U-shaped fence around the cemetery. Administration further reported to Council that a warming shelter is being placed at the new cemetery and that Administration is planning to request the purchase of a jack hammer and/or auger for use at the cemetery.

Terry Fitzgerald requested that Council legalize the use of 3-wheelers within Bethel with the exception of the State Highway. The matter was referred to the Transportation Committee.

Councilmember Sullivan requested repair be done on the boardwalks and that a boardwalk maintenance program be established. The matter was referred to Public Works.

Hal Borrego of Bethel Utilities requested that the City change its name for its water and sewer department, now known as City of Bethel Utilities. Mr. Borrego indicated that the similarity of names causes confusion as to billings. It was suggested that Bethel Utilities change its name. No action was taken by Council.

PEOPLE TO BE HEARD
CONT

Andy Edge recommended that Council pursue the purchase of Bethel Utilities; that the purchase could serve as an additional tax base for the City.

John Hastie asked Council if City water trucks used meters for the monitoring of water deliveries. Administration reported to Council that meters had been discontinued on the water trucks; that users were charged a full fill for each delivery.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

CONSIDERATION OF NUCLEAR FREEZE/DISARMAMENT ISSUE

Item C: Nuclear
Freeze Issue

Councilmember Buttane read a letter on behalf of the local nuclear freeze group, Nuclear Tuai, a letter that Nuclear Tuai wants Council to send to the residents of Beringovskiy as part of the paring program between U.S. and Russian cities.

Tom di Grazia, representing Nuclear Tuai, explained for Council the purpose of the paring program.

John Hastie and Andy Edge spoke against the sending of the letter.

Councilmembers Binkley and Guinn opposed sending the letter.

motion

M/M by Buttane, 2nd by Hoffman that Council send the letter, as amended, to the residents of Beringovskiy, as part of the paring program. Poll vote, 3 yes (Buttane, Hoffman, Veit), 4 no (Binkley, Guinn, Sullivan, Twitchell). Motion failed.

Item D: Community
Service Patrol
Report

COMMUNITY SERVICE PATROL REPORT

Police Chief Varnell reviewed for Council the status of the community service patrol. Chief Varnell noted that the State is accepting protective custody cases at the new State jail facility and that the number of calls have decreased over the past two months to the point where the police department is able to handle the calls. Chief Varnell recommended that Council wait 3 months before considering re-establishment of the CSP by the City to see if other agencies can handle the situation. Councilmember Buttane concurred with Chief Varnell's recommendation.

Father Andy D'Arco spoke in favor of the immediate re-establishment of the community service patrol by the City.

Councilmember Hoffman spoke in favor of notifying the villages if a villager becomes intoxicated while at Bethel.

Council set the 2nd Council meeting in February for an update report on the CSP program.

NEW BUSINESS

GAMES OF SKILL AND CHANCE

Item D: Games
of Skill/Chance

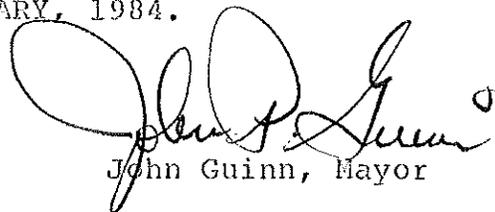
M/M by Sullivan, 2nd by Binkley to approve the re-
quest by the Catholic Church for a games of skill
and chance permit. Voice vote, motion carried.

ADJOURNMENT

M/M by Binkley to adjourn. The meeting adjourned
at 9.20 pm.

PASSED AND APPROVED THIS *9th* DAY OF JANUARY, 1984.

ATTEST:



John Guinn, Mayor



Wayne J. Naters, City Clerk

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