

CALL TO ORDER

Acting Mayor Dale called the meeting to order at 7:32 PM.

ROLL CALL

Present: Dale, Edge, Feaster, Trantham, Wallace & Warner (tardy).

Absent: Vanasse (on training leave).

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

M/M by Feaster. 2nd by Wallace to accept the minutes of 2/27/90 minutes with the following addition: on page two, under reports of standing committees of Councilman Trantham's report, add the following sentence: "the new water trucks which were received on last barge not be modified with a ten inch dump valve". Voice vote. motion carried.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

M/M by Feaster. 2nd by Wallace to approve the agenda with the following additions:

add to Item A, under New Business: Robert D. Thomas and Bethel Lion's Club, and add Item B: Executive Session - Legal and Personnel matters. Voice vote. motion carried.

MAYOR'S REPORT

Acting Mayor Dale reserved the Mayor's report until he arrives later in the meeting.

MANAGER'S REPORT

City Manager Earnest reviewed his written Manager's report with Council on the following subject items:

- pumphouse mechanical upgrade work substantially complete - need 3 more hours of work to be complete, but before that can be done, 8 more hours of electrical work needs to be done;
- the installation of the insullation of water truck that arrived September 1989, was completed March 12, 1990 with a total cost of \$7,680 (including purchase of insulation kit: \$11.163), and new water truck expected on the road next week;
- changes to water and sewer truck bid packet that went out on July 1989 are nearing resolution; McPherson to fax an itemized list of changes and at that time to determine whether City should cancel or amend existing bid;
- City presently working with AVCP Realty to identify and contact potential private landowners in Bethel for possibility of purchasing, exchanging, or leasing land for future sewage lagoon and/or solid waste disposal site;
- finger floats materials invitation for bids advertised March 5 and bids to be opened April 5th; materials due to arrive with the first barge; anticipate work to be done this construction season;
- City informed by Department of Health & Social Services that City is to receive \$170,000 which is targeted toward reducing the waiting list at the Phillip's Alcohol Treatment Center;
- copy of proposed shop use policy for repair of employee private vehicles after working hours presented to Council to consider approval either by motion or resolution - City Manager Earnest indicated that the employee's at the City shop had put the shop use proposal together;

MANAGER'S REPORT
continued

- on Amendment 4 to Ordinance 189 - re: purchase of two water trucks and one sewer truck, based on the FY'89 financial information, Finance Director believes the proposed budget amendment should be tabled until further financial information was made available; also Finance Director suggested City explore all outside funding sources before appropriating enterprise cash and for that purpose, City is recommending that a vehicle replacement plan be prepared utilizing investment accounts;
- under executive session. would like to briefly report on a legal case involving City vs Thomas D. Varnell.

Acting Mayor Dale expressed that the Shop Use Policy was a bad plan, and requested it be researched and concluded by indicating he was opposed to the idea.

use Councilman Trantham indicated that he was opposed to ~~purchase~~ of water truck - wants vehicle inspected and further indicated he was concerned of the ability to clean the tank. He concluded by indicating that next purchase truck be fully described in bid packet and that this bid should not be awarded until the tank meets the health requirements.

COUNCILMEMBER COMMENT

Councilman Trantham asked what the status was on the snow removal contingency plan, which was requested at the last meeting. City Manager Earnest indicated that Public Works Department was notified to put a plan together at the staff meeting which was day after the Council meeting, and that he would have the report at the next Council packet. Councilman Trantham further indicated that he had met with Representative Hoffman regarding possible land entitlement for the future sewage lagoon site and Representative Hoffman was also confused as to what the City's CIP priorities were. City Manager Earnest indicated that the City's CIP priorities as listed were clear: #1) water & sewer; #2) streets and roads #3) braund building renovation and the seawall project was a federally funded project. Councilman Trantham requested that City continue working with Governor Cowper, Senator Binkley and Representative Hoffman on these matters. Councilman Trantham for the record stated that he was opposed to sole source contracting; indicated if ordinances are on books, to use them as law.

Student Representative Andre Jacobs reported to Council on the following subject matters:
- student Council elections to be held tomorrow and expecting a good voter turn out; talented gift symposium held this week; Student Council request that Teen Center hours be open longer on non-school days. City Manager Earnest indicated he was in support of student advisory board and on the Teen Center hours, they have specific budget and limited number of hours they can be open. he said there were other ways of extending hours which could be looked

COUNCIL MEMBER COMMENT into.
continued

Councilman Edge reported that she's been receiving numerous complaint calls regarding vehicles getting into accidents which were caused by not seeing the on coming traffic due to the plowed snow piled up so high; and also been receiving call regarding water truck drivers driving a little too fast.

Councilman Dale on the subject of funding from the legislature, reminded Council that not hiring a lobbyist was a mistake; concluded by indicating that street lights in certain parts of town were burned out and need to be replaced. City Manager Earnest encouraged anyone to call Administration and report any street lights that need to be replaced.

Mayor Warner arrived at this time and took over the mayoral duties. Councilman Edge asked what the status was on the hours at the public works office. City Manager Earnest indicated that the hours were 7 AM to 4 PM. Councilman Edge indicated that she had received a few calls complaining that some people work, and only time they can pay bills is towards the end of the day, and most of the time they can't because the office is closed. Councilman Trantham indicated that utility collections office hours were from 7 AM to 5 PM.

MAYOR'S REPORT

Mayor Warner nominated John J. Oscar to the Planning Commission per his letter of interest.

motion

M/M by Trantham, 2nd by Feaster to approve Mayor Warner's nomination as presented. Voice vote, motion carried.

REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES

Andre Jacobs for the Peace Across The Horizon (PATH) Committee indicated that 7 people from Bethel were scheduled to leave to Anadyr, and anyone interested or needing more information to contact Craig McMahon who is the Chairman of the PATH Committee.

Councilman Edge indicated that Port Commission held a special meeting regarding revising Title IV, and RFP is out for the finger floats materials, bid opening to be held April 5th, and possible vacancy coming up with the Port Commission Chairman moving out of town. Next meeting schedule for March 19th, 7:30 PM at the Port Director's office.

PEOPLE TO BE HEARD

Peter Hupel from the census bureau reported to Council and the public that they have started the census in Bethel, and rough count of Bethel to be presented to Council at the next meeting. Also indicated that 23 local hires were done to help with counting residents, using either short or long forms which take up to 15 minutes to an hour to do.

Hearing no other people, Council break 10 minutes.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Item A: Resolution
646-Support Perm.
Fund Program

Item B: Public
Hearing Amend 4 to
Ord 189-FY'90 Budget
Re: Purchase of
Water & Sewer
Trucks

RESOLUTION #646 - SUPPORT PERMANENT FUND PROGRAM

M/M by Dale, 2nd by Wallace to pass Resolution #646 as presented. Poll vote, motion carried. (5-yes; 1-no, Trantham)

PUBLIC HEARING AMENDMENT #4 TO ORDINANCE #189 -FY'90
BUDGET RE: PURCHASE OF WATER & SEWER TRUCKS

Mayor Warner opened the floor for public input at this time; hearing none, public hearing was closed.

Councilman Dale indicated that he was opposed to the amendment for the reason that \$250,000 was too excessive and also for reason #4 under Manager's Report.

Mayor Warner also indicated that he's been opposed to this and also been recommending that City not purchase utility trucks all at once. but to stage them so they don't break down all at once. He recommended the next purchases be done at the next budget session.

Councilman Feaster asked what effect it would have on the City to delay them until the next budget. Council at this time discussed their views on this.

M/M by Trantham. 2nd by Feaster to table for 2 weeks until the next Council meeting. Poll vote, motion failed. 2-yes; 4-no(Dale, Edge, Wallace & Warner).

Councilman Dale suggested sending a representative to Minnesota to inspect these vehicles and have a sanitary inspection done too, and many more options have to be observed yet. City Manager Earnest indicated that bid included inspection costs in the process. Mayor Warner concured with Councilman Dale.

Councilman Trantham reminded Council that the original bid specs that came from the Public Works Committee were changed.

M/M by Dale. 2nd by Wallace not to accept Amendment #4 to Ordinance #189 - FY'90 Budget re: purchase of water and sewer trucks. Poll vote, motion carried. (6-yes; 1-no, Trantham)

GAMES OF CHANCE & SKILL - K-300/BETHEL LION'S CLUB/
ROBERT D. THOMAS

M/M by Dale, 2nd by Wallace to approve K-300's application for Games of Chance & Skill, 1990. Voice vote, motion carried.

M/M by Wallace. 2nd by Dale not to accept Robert D. Thomas' application for the reason of not having a business name on the operator's Games of Chance & Skill application for 1990. Voice vote, motion carried.

motion

NEW BUSINESS

Item A: Games of
Chance & Skill

motion

motion

Item A: continued

M/M by Dale, 2nd by Wallace to approve Bethel Lion's Club's Games of Chance & Skill application for 1990. Voice vote, motion carried.

Item B: Executive Session
motion

EXECUTIVE SESSION - LEGAL & PERSONNEL MATTERS

M/M by Dale, 2nd by Feaster to go into executive session to discuss sales tax legal matter and personnel matter at 9:12 PM. Voice vote, motion carried.

motion

M/M by Dale, 2nd by Wallace to get out of executive session at 9:44 PM. Voice vote, motion carried.

ADJOURNMENT

M/M by Feaster, 2nd by Dale to adjourn the meeting at 9:45 PM. Voice vote, motion carried.

PASSED AND APPROVED THIS 27th DAY OF March, 1990.


Tom Warner, Mayor

ATTEST:


Anna McGowan, City Clerk