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# City of Bethel City Council Meeting Minutes

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July 8, 2008

Regular Meeting

Bethel, Alaska

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## **I. CALL TO ORDER**

A Regular Meeting of the Bethel City Council was held on July 8, 2008 at 6:30p, in the Council Chambers, Bethel, Alaska.

Mayor Middlebrook called the meeting to order at 6:30p.

## **II. ROLL CALL**

### **Members present:**

Council Member Willy Keppel  
Council Member Tiffany Zulkosky  
Mayor Eric Middlebrook  
Vice-Mayor Thor Williams  
Council Member Yolonda Jorgensen  
Council Member Tundy Rodgers

### **Members absent:**

Council Member Dan Leinberger

### **Others present:**

City Manager Wally Baird  
City Clerk Lori Strickler

## **III. PEOPLE TO BE HEARD**

*Ana Hoffman -*

- *Thanked Wally Baird for all he has done for the community of Bethel*
- *The City of Bethel is a not-for profit organization and the Council should keep that in mind when making decisions*

*Mark Springer –*

- *Would like to thank all of the public works employees for all of their hard work*
- *Spoke in support of Ordinance 08-11*
- *Spoke in opposition of Ordinance 08-13*

*David Trantham –*

- *Spoke in opposition of 08-11*
- *Requested a trial in the public forum, for the accusations reportedly made by a council member*

**IV. APPROVAL OF THE CONSENT AND REGULAR AGENDA**

<b>MOVED:</b>	Zulkosky	Motion to approve the agenda
<b>SECONDED:</b>	Williams	
<b>MOVED:</b>	Zulkosky	Motion to pull the meeting minutes from the June 24 <sup>th</sup> meeting from the consent agenda and table Ordinance 08-11 until it has been amended and reviewed by the attorney
<b>VOTE ON MOTION</b>	All in favor	
<b>MOVED:</b>	Williams	Motion to pull the meeting minutes from May 31 <sup>st</sup>
<b>VOTE ON MOTION</b>	All in favor	
<b>MOVED:</b>	Keppel	Motion to pull Item G, <i>Council Contact</i> , from the agenda
<b>VOTE ON MOTION</b>	All in favor	
<b>MOVED:</b>	Rodgers	Motion to move Item E, <i>Update On Transit Authority</i> , before Item A under Unfinished Business
<b>VOTE ON MOTION</b>	All in favor	
<b>VOTE ON MAIN MOTION</b>	All in favor	

**V. APPROVAL OF THE MEETING MINUTES**

**Item A – 05/31/2008 Special Meeting**

<b>MOVED:</b>	Williams	Motion to adopt the May 31 <sup>st</sup> special meeting minutes
<b>SECONDED:</b>		
<b>MOVED:</b>	Williams	Motion to amend the meeting

<b>SECONDED:</b>	Rodgers	minutes by, deleting Vice –on page one Removing the 7 and inserting a 2 on page 3 Inserting Motion failed 4-3 on page 6
<b>VOTE ON MOTION</b>	All in favor	
<b>VOTE ON MAIN MOTION</b>	All in favor	

<b>MOVED:</b>	Zulkosky	Motion to adopt June 24 <sup>th</sup> regular meeting minutes
<b>SECONDED:</b>	Williams	
<b>MOVED:</b>	Zulkosky	Motion to amend the June 24 <sup>th</sup> regular meeting minutes to insert, pending forthcoming amendments and legal consultation on page 4
<b>SECONDED:</b>	Williams	
<b>VOTE ON MAIN MOTION</b>	All in favor	

***NEW BUSINESS***

**Item E -- Update Of Transit Authority**

<b>MOVED:</b>	Rodgers	Motion to suspend the rule to allow the transit manager to speak on this issue
<b>SECONDED:</b>	Zulkosky	
<b>VOTE ON MAIN MOTION</b>	All in favor	

**VI. UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

**Item A - Public Hearing Of Ordinance 07-12 (J): An Ordinance By The Bethel City Council Amending The FY08 Annual Budget For Year End**

*Public Hearing - No one wished to speak on this issue*

<b>MOVED:</b>	Zulkosky	Motion to table Ord. 07-12 (J) until July 22 <sup>nd</sup> so that the correct copy can be presented to the public
<b>SECONDED:</b>	Keppel	
<b>VOTE ON MAIN MOTION</b>	All in favor	

**Item C – MOA With City Of Bethel And Dept. Of Corrections**

<b>MOVED:</b>	Williams	Motion to adopt the MOA Between the City of Bethel and the State of Alaska regarding expansion of the Yukon – Kuskokwim Correctional Center, and seek RFP for finance advisor for the bond issue
<b>SECONDED:</b>	Zulkosky	
<b>VOTE ON MAIN MOTION</b>	Motion fails 3-3; Keppel, Middlebrook, Rodgers against	

<b>MOVED:</b>	Rodgers	Motion to break for ten minutes
<b>SECONDED:</b>	Zulkosky	
<b>VOTE ON MAIN MOTION</b>	All in favor	

**VII. NEW BUSINESS**

**Item A – Introduction Of Ordinance 08-13: An Ordinance Of The Bethel City Council Placing Before The Qualified Voters Of The City Of Bethel At October 7, 2008 Regular Municipal Election An Advisory Vote to Determine Whether The City Of Bethel Should Enact Regulations Associated With Certain Toxic Substances Being Transported Through, Used, Discharged Or Generated With The City Limits**

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<b>SECONDED:</b>	Rodgers	

		Transported Through, Used, Discharged Or Generated With The City Limits
<b>VOTE ON MAIN MOTION</b>	Motion fails 3-3; Zulkosky, Williams, and Jorgensen in opposition	

**Item B – Legislative Priorities**

**Item C – Appointment Of The Interim City Manager**

**Item D - All ADHOC Committees**

<b>MOVED:</b>	Zulkosky	Motion to table Item D until the July 22 <sup>nd</sup> council meeting
<b>SECONDED:</b>	Keppel	
<b>VOTE ON MAIN MOTION</b>	All in favor	

**Item F – Upgrade Of Chief Eddie Hoffman From Watson’s Corner To The Bridge Concerns Of Pedestrian Walkway**

**Item H – Meeting Decorum**

**VIII. REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES**

**Planning Commission** – We will be discussing two final plots and two other plots at the next meeting on July 10<sup>th</sup>.

**Public Safety and Transportation Commission** – Speed limit signage in Kasiyuli and BIA Road will be discussed at the July 15<sup>th</sup> Meeting.

**Alternative Energy Committee** -- People are writing letters to the City manager requesting him to join the committee; pursuing different grant to help pay for the wind turbine already granted to the city.

**Cemetery Committee** – Meets the third Thursday of the month at 6:00p.

**Public Works Committee** – Medical waste was discussed at the last meeting and the insurance company was contacted and voiced concerns. The next meeting is July 21<sup>st</sup>.

**Parks and Recreation Committee** -- All meetings have been put on hold until September, 2008.

**Recreation Center Committee**-- Last meeting was rescheduled; RFQ issued to hire architects.

**Port Commission**- Meet the third Monday of the month.

**IX. MAYOR'S REPORT**

**X. MANAGER'S REPORT**

**XI. CITY CLERK'S REPORT**

**XII. COUNCIL MEMBER COMMENTS**

**Council Member Jorgenson –**

- I will be moving out of the City at the end of July.
- Kudos to AC for putting in the recycling bin for plastic bags.

**Council Member Keppel**

- Thanks to Wally Baird for getting the Alternative Energy Committee started.
- The Police Department is doing a great job; thank you.

**Mayor Middlebrook**

- Compliments to the Chief for the work he has done since he has arrived in town.
- Sympathy to the family of Julie Pavil.
- It is good to see the health of Council Member Rodgers is improving.

**Council Member Zulkosky**

- Thank you to the City Clerk and the Chief of Police
- Recognition to the Fire Chief and the Fire Department for all of the hard work on the Fourth of July.

**Council Member Williams**

- The City Council should invite the attorney into town.
- Will be out of town for the July 22<sup>nd</sup> meeting.
- Thanked everyone who has worked hard for the better of the community.
- Thanked Wally Baird and his family and wished them the best.

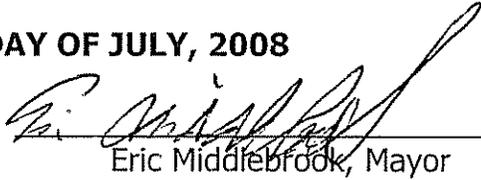
**Council Member Rodgers**

- Thanked everyone who called and wished him well in his recent illness.
- Go hug an elder.

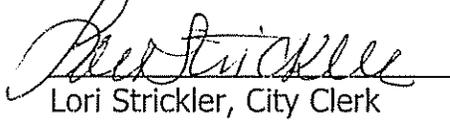
<b>MOVED:</b>	Zulkosky	Motion to adjourn
<b>SECONDED:</b>	Williams	
<b>VOTE ON MAIN MOTION</b>	All in favor	

**XIII. ADJOURNEMENT**

**APPROVED THIS 22<sup>th</sup> DAY OF JULY, 2008**

  
Eric Middlebrook, Mayor

ATTEST:

  
Lori Strickler, City Clerk

