

MINUTES OF REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING, FEBRUARY 12, 1968 8:00 P.M. VFW HALL

ROLL CALL: Present: Bruce Crow, Edward Hoffman, Melvin Klokow, Al Laroux, Arthur Nicholson, David Swanson. Absent: Joseph Pike.

Meeting called to order by Mayor Nicholson.

INVOCATION: By Reverend Klokow.

Minutes of last regular council meeting were read and approved as read.

COMMUNICATIONS:

Mayor Nicholson read the following communications:

1. Letter of thanks from the Bethel Women's Club for the foundation repair work accomplished at the Library.
2. Letter from the University of Alaska requesting Bethel's approved Municipal Budget for the fiscal years 1967/68 - 1966/67 - and 1965/66.
3. Letter from the Department of Housing and Urban Development regarding Bethel's participation in re-applying for the Model Cities Grant.

COMPLAINTS: None

TREASURER'S REPORT:

City Clerk presented a written report reflecting status of the Budget.

Mayor Nicholson requested that the City Administrator, John Snodgrass review the report and make adjustments in the Budget to present to Council at next regular Council meeting.

ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT:

John Snodgrass reported that the City had received one bid for the City Vehicle Maintenance Contract. Art Dull was the bidder. Mayor Nicholson stated that this item be placed on the Agenda under Old Business:

MAYOR'S COMMENTS:

Mayor Nicholson addressed the audience and welcomed the out-of town- visitors.

REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES:

SANITATION: None

ROADS: None

LIQUOR: DAVID SWANSON brought to Council's attention the fact that the Foster Care Home building was still sitting idle and he felt a decision should be made - - either use the building for a Community Liquor Store or sell the building. Mayor Nicholson stated that this item should appear on the Agenda of the next regular Council Meeting.

EDUCATION: None

RECREATION: Melvin Klokow advised Council that his report would be presented under the COMMUNITY CENTER on Old Business:

Mayor Nicholson read a letter of resignation from Reverend Melvin Klokow. Mayor Nicholson asked that this item be placed on Agenda under New Business.

OLD BUSINESS:1. SNOWMOBILE REGULATIONS:

Mayor Nicholson read the proposed Ordinance to Council. Councilman Bruce Crow suggested to Council that the ordinance be re-read by an interpreter. Mr. Edward Lomach agreed to translate the ordinance for the benefit of all persons attending the meeting.

Motion made by Bruce Crow and seconded by Edward Hoffman "That a Committee consisting of Rae Baxter, Trooper Malone, Arthur Nicholson, and myself work over the proposed ordinance. Bringing into the ordinance the four items that have been mentioned by the group tonight and that the revised ordinance be checked by the City's Attorney, Burton Biss and that this ordinance be brought back to the next council meeting whether it be regular or special." Motion carried unanimously with six ayes.

2. ALASKA SERVICES CORPORATION:

Mayor Nicholson read a letter of reply from the Alaska Legal Service Corp. (Reply to Council's last letter)

3. COMMUNITY BUILDING:

Councilman Melvin Klokov offered a report of the most recent meeting of the Community Center Committee. Two proposals were suggested by the Committee:

1. Use of \$100,000.00 - funds from the Community Liquor Sales, Inc. for the erection of a community center building, approximately 70 feet by 100 feet
2. Request that the City of Bethel ask for Federal Funds to construct a larger and more complex structure. Suggested EDA Grant. Mayor Nicholson stated that the City is now preparing such an application.

4. Mayor Nicholson requested that the question of the City Vehicle Maintenance Contract be placed on the Agenda.

Motion made by David Swanson and seconded by Bruce Crow "That this be placed on Agenda." Motion carried unanimously with 6 ayes.

Mayor Nicholson then read the bid figures: \$3,072.00 for the preventative maintenance clause; \$3.00 per hour for additional repair work. \$16.00 per hour for use of oxygen and acetylene and \$12.00 per hour for arc-welding.

Motion made by David Swanson and seconded by Al Laroux that the bid be rejected and be re-offered without a lump sum requirement; only a hourly basis for any and all work necessary." Motion carried unanimously with 6 ayes.

NEW BUSINESS:1. STREET LIGHTS:

Councilman Melvin Klokov stated that a number of people living in the area of the Old Mission Warehouse near the Moravian Book Store had requested that City Lights be installed in this area. Council agreed that the cost factor would have to be reviewed and the request for lights would be put to Council at the next Regular Council Meeting.

NEW BUSINESS: (Cont)2. CITY POLICEMAN:

Question - Ralph Kingaks salary:

Motion made by Bruce Crow and seconded by Edward Hoffman "That this matter of Ralph Kingak, City Policeman, be considered in an Executive Session to be held immediately following this meeting." Motion carried with 6 ayes, unanimously.

3. STATE PRISONER CARE:

Mayor Nicholson read his report reflecting expenses incurred by the City of Bethel for State Prisoner Care, at the Bethel City Jail.

4. RESOLUTION NO. 42 - REQUIRED WITH APPLICATION FOR NEIGHBORHOOD FACILITIES GRANT:

Mayor Nicholson placed Resolution No. 42 in its first reading. This Resolution contained two blank spaces - 1. Name of Proposed Community Center - and 2. - Estimated Development Costs.

Motion made by Bruce Crow and seconded by David Swanson "That these two items be - 1. Bethel Community Center - and 2. \$400,000.00." Motion carried unanimously with 6 ayes.

Resolution No. 42 placed in its second and final reading by Mayor Nicholson. Motion made by David Swanson and seconded by Al Laroux "That Resolution No 4 be accepted as read. Passed unanimously with 6 ayes.

5. ACQUISITION OF LAND FOR COMMUNITY BUILDING:

Councilman Bruce Crow requested that preliminary steps be taken by the City of Bethel to acquire the needed land for the Bethel Community Center.

Mayor Nicholson stated that Council should take steps to acquire preliminary drawings for the proposed Community Center Building.

Motion made by Bruce Crow and seconded by Melvin Klokow "That the City proceed with the initial application for the HUD Grant. That the Committee on the initial facility be empowered to expend up to \$500.00 for preliminary architectural drawings." Poll Vote: Bruce Crow, Yes, Edward Hoffman, Yes, Melvin Klokow, Yes, Al Laroux, Yes, David Swanson, Yes. Motion carried unanimously. Arthur Nicholson, Yes,

6. RESIGNATION OF COUNCIL MEMBER:

Motion made by Arthur Nicholson and seconded by Bruce Crow "That since Melvin R. Klokow has served ably and effectively as a councilman for the City of Bethel and is now terminating his office because of the end of his ministerial assignment the council expresses, for the City of Bethel, its appreciation for his services as a councilman." Motion passed unanimously with six ayes.

Motion made by Arthur Nicholson and seconded by Bruce Crow that Council Adjourn: Carried unanimously.

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City Clerk

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