



CITY of BETHEL

P. O. Box 537 • Bethel, Alaska 99559

June 29, 1971

REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING June 15, 1971

Call To Order

The meeting was called to order at 8:00 P.M., June 15, 1971 at the VFW Hall, Bethel by Mayor Bill Zahradnicek.

Roll Call

Present: Jack Baxter, Bruce Crow, Ben Dale, John Guinn, Ed Hoffman, Kevin Murphy, and Bill Zahradnicek.

Absent: None

Minutes

Minutes of Regular Meeting, May 24, 1971 and Special Meeting June 7, 1971 were approved as read without objection.

Communications

Ltr. dtd. 6/10/71 from Bethel Development Corporation re: voluntary closure of the bar on Sundays starting June 13.

Ltr. dtd. 5/25/71 from Don Shantz re: straightening of third avenue.

— Ltr. dtd. 3/09/71 from Delores Roullier, Realty Specialist, BIA, re: right of way for airport expansion.

Memo dtd. 6/04/71 from Administrator to Council re: proposed ordinance on liquor establishment closing.

City Administrator read the above correspondence to Council.

Complaints and People To Be Heard

Sam Dinsmore asked about the Community Center or Community Facility Building plans, what stage of planning and funding the project was in.

Council requested the Administrator to speak to the subject. Mr. Webb explained that the HUD grant proposed for the facility had been lost for lack of funds. The Braund Factory Building is being considered for future use as a community facility but a year lease has been negotiated with State Schools to relieve the shifting until the Regional High School was completed. Eventually, the public works shop, currently located in the Braund Factory Building would be relocated, once again vacating the building entirely.

"Deep Sea Port and Transportation Center of the Kuskokwim"

M/M Crow, Dale that this be an agenda item at a subsequent meeting.

Motion carried unanimously by voice vote.

Paul Gregory inquired about regulation and control of the Brown's Slough water way, who was responsible to patrol and correct problems?

City Police Chief Tom Dillon said the City had been making one patrol a day of the slough area, by boat. He said there is a City ordinance that authorizes the City Police to patrol and control that area.

Sam Dinsmore announced that Secretary of Interior Rogers C. B. Morton would be visiting in Bethel Thursday, June 24th and attending the Economic Development Luncheon that date.

Administrator's Report

A copy of that report is certified and attached to the minutes. The report was read in full to council by the Administrator.

Mayor's Report

Mayor Zahradnicek said June 24th there would be a representative from Corps of Engineers here to discuss break up and flood control procedures.

He also reported on Secretary Morton's Bethel trip and also indicated he was in receipt of a letter from Representative Nick Begich gifting the new library with several publications of Alaskan books.

Reports of Standing Committees

Public Safety - none

Land Use - Jack Baxter reported that his committee's report on the new addition was on the agenda.

Economic Development Committee - Meeting each Thursday noon at the Kuskokwim Inn.

Recreation Department - Councilman Dale presented a proposed budget for Recreation from Bethel Social Services for FY 1971-1972 and asked that it be placed on this meeting's agenda.

M/M Dale, Murphy to put the recreation budget on tonight's agenda.

Motion carried by voice vote. (6 yeas and 1 nay)

Old Business

Ordinance No. 45 - M/M Dale, Hoffman to amend Section 6 of the ordinance to reflect a maximum fines and penalty of \$100.00 and/or 10 days in jail and this motion affects first and second reading of the ordinance.

Roll Call Vote

Yes - Baxter, Dale, Crow, Guinn, Hoffman, Murphy and Zahradnicek

No - None

Ordinance was read in third and final reading by the Clerk.

M/M Guinn, Hoffman to accept the ordinance in third and final reading.

Roll Call Vote

Yes - Crow, Dale, Guinn and Hoffman
No - Baxter, Murphy and Zahradnicek

Motion carried.

Bethel Broadcasting - David H. Moore, Manager requested from Council the \$5,000.00 previously committed to them by the City as reflected in minutes of March 25, 1970.

M/M Hoffman, Guinn we give KYUK radio station \$5,000.00 as promised in 1970.

Roll Call Vote

Yes - Baxter, Crow, Dale, Guinn, Hoffman, Murphy and Zahradnicek
No - None

Dave Moore subsequently inquired about the land donation, U. S. Survey 4117, Lots 14 and 15 for \$1.00 each. Councilman Crow called for a point of order saying the subject was being discussed without a motion on the floor.

M/M Hoffman, Guinn that the discussion be opened to the floor.

Motion carried by voice vote (6 yeas 1 nay).

Councilman Crow again called for a point of order for lack of motion on the floor.

The Mayor ruled to let discussion from the floor proceed.

M/M Guinn, Zahradnicek the question of land be put on the next meeting agenda. Motion carried by voice vote (6 yeas - 1 nay).

Land Use Committee Report - The Clerk read the report in full for council. Councilman Baxter demonstrated the land locations on a map.

Councilman Hoffman remarked that AVCP'S release of the land to the City for residential development was to insure free land for the natives to build homes on, he objected to the lots being placed for sale.

M/M Crow, Baxter accept the recommendations of the land use committee and the news media be encouraged to prepare a summary of the report in both languages for distribution to the people.

Motion carried by voice vote (6 yeas and 1 nay).

M/M Baxter, Guinn the public hearing on land use committee report be held at the next regular council meeting.

Motion carried by unanimous voice vote.

New Business

The item listed as Tom Dillon - Transportation was removed from the agenda at Tom Dillon's request.

The resolution prepared by Corps of Engineers relative to Brown's Slough dredging was spoken to by Mr. Morgan Wheeler of the Anchorage Corp office. Mr. Wheeler explained the impact of the resolution indicating the new federal legislation restricted federal or federally aided programs in acquiring property. The Corps requires additional assurances from the City in resolution form before continuing with the work on Brown's Slough.

The City Administrator indicated that prior to further advancement on the project, the City must implement its responsibility by acquiring the land adjacent to the Slough. Mr. Webb said an assessor would be in the Bethel area next week and perhaps it could be ascertained exactly what the City was involved in dollars and centswise.

M/M Crow, Dale the item be tabled until next regular meeting awaiting an administrative report.

Motion carried by unanimous voice vote.

Mr. Webb said there would be a meeting in Anchorage Friday on land acquisition relative to the new act. Mr. Wheeler indicated there were brochures on the new act available and being forwarded to Bethel.

Mendola Liquor License - Mr. Webb read letters dated 6/07/71 from Joe Mendola, 5/12/71 from Wendall Kay and 6/01/71 from James Doogan, Director ABC Board relating to disclaiming of Dion Anderson's connection with the liquor license application. In essence, when the license is issued, Mr. Anderson will relinquish all interests in it to Mr. Mendola. Mr. Webb also read a telegram from Burton Biss explaining that due to newly enacted State legislation, Bill No. 311 (Free Conference Committee Substitute for Senate Committee Substitute for House Bill #311) relinquished local government control and prerogative to decide licensing consequently he advised no action be taken by council on Mr. Mendola's request.

M/M Crow, Murphy that the council take no action on the agenda item based on advise of the attorney as read in telegram dtd 6/15/71.

Motion carried by unanimous voice vote.

M/M Dale, Baxter to continue past 10:00 P.M.. Motion carried by voice vote (6 yeas - 1 nay).

Recreation Budget - M/M Dale, Murphy that council accept the budget presented and renegotiate the same contract it has with the City within 30 days.

Councilman Baxter suggested council be given the opportunity to study and work into the new FY budget.

Councilman Crow indicated it was necessary in his mind to insure Bethel Social Services with which City has previously contracted for recreation programming, that the City would contract with them and they would run the recreation program and stated he would make a motion to that affect.

Councilman Dale and Murphy withdrew their previous motion.

M/M Crow, Dale that council declare its intent to employ Bethel Social Services to conduct the City recreation program next fy, and that appropriate assurances be made to negotiate the budget request for the program.

Motion carried by voice vote.

M/M Baxter, Crow that the City Administrator be instructed to enter into negotiations for the next fy year recreation program.

Motion carried by voice vote.

Mayor Zahradnicek asked councils desire regarding the budgetary report of public works department development as requested by council at Special Meeting May 5.

M/M Baxter, Guinn we accept report of administrator on the implementation of the public works department.

Discussion indicated council desire for time to review the report and gather community reaction. Councilman Crow indicated it would be good to air the report in both languages.

Roll Call Vote

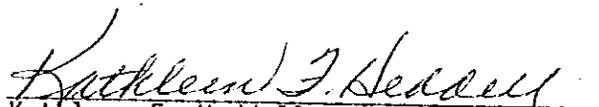
Yes - Baxter, Guinn, and Zahradnicek
No - Crow, Dale, Hoffman and Murphy

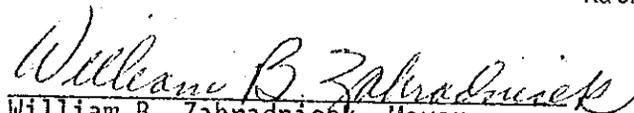
Motion failed.

M/M Crow, Dale for adjournment.

Motion carried by voice vote. Adjournment was at 10:20 P.M.

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


Kathleen F. Heddell, City Clerk


William B. Zahradnicek, Mayor