



City of Bethel

"Deep Sea Port and Transportation Center of the Kuskokwim"

• P. O. BOX 7, BETHEL, ALASKA 99559

REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING

October 27, 1969

The meeting was called to order by Mayor David Swanson. Roll was called.
Present: Bruce Crow, Ed Hoffman, Al Laroux, Art Nicholson, Gene Peltola,
Dave Swanson.
Absent: None.

Reverend Gamble gave the invocation.

The minutes of the previous meeting were read and approved.

COMMUNICATIONS: Mr. Snodgrass read the following letters: 1) A copy of Resolution 69-29 from AVCP asking Public Health Service to construct public sanitary facilities; 2) from Willie Nicholai, Bethel Housing Project, requesting more streetlights in the project area; 3) from John R. Beard, Local Affairs Agency, regarding the state sharing program, rating Bethel as qualifying in fire protection and questionable in police protection; 4) from Ed Crittenden stating his need to have test holes for the Neighborhood Facilities building; 5) From Braund, Inc. regarding final payment to their subcontractors.

COMPLAINTS AND PEOPLE TO BE HEARD: None.

TREASURERS REPORT: None.

ADMINISTRATORS REPORT: Snodgrass reported that: there was no meeting with HUD in San Francisco but there will be a meeting this week in Seattle and Ben Marsh will represent the City; the auditors report was mailed last Saturday and should arrive shortly; the new sanitation truck has finally arrived; there were no bids received on the sand fill in Bethel Heights playground; nothing has been done on the census; the City Attorney is working on the ordinance for encroachment of buildings on city streets; and he lastly asked that JAIL CONTRACT be added to the agenda.

M/M Nicholson, Peltola that JAIL CONTRACT be placed on the agenda as the last item. Motion carried unanimously.

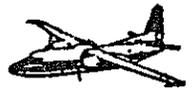
MAYORS COMMENTS: Swanson stated that in a telephone conversation with the Army Corps of Engineers he was told that the Brown Slough dredging project has been approved.

REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES: None.

CANVASS OF CITY ELECTION BALLOTS:

M/M Nicholson, Laroux that the election as attested to by the election judges be accepted. Unanimous.





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SWEARING IN OF COUNCILMEN:

Jack Baxter, Bruce Crow, Kevin Murphy, and Robert Nick were sworn in as the new councilmen. Al Laroux and Art Nicholson stepped down from their seats.

ELECTION OF MAYOR:

Nominations were opened for mayor. Bruce Crow nominated Gene Peltola; Ed Hoffman nominated Dave Swanson. M/M Murphy that nominations be closed. Motion passed. The councilmen voted by secret ballot and elected Dave Swanson mayor by a vote of Swanson 4, Peltola 3.

RECEIVING HOME:

Sam Dinsmore, representing the receiving home committee, stated that he had no report at this time but requested that it be placed on the agenda for the next meeting.

CITIZENS PETITION:

Nicholson stated that the feeling was strong that the City would be at a great loss without the revenue from the liquor store and presented a petition with 301 valid signatures on it requesting that another election be held. M/M Crow, Hoffman that the City Council accepts this petition and arrange for a subsequent election in accordance with state statutes. Crow asked the City Administrator to answer two questions: 1) does council have the right to accept or reject any petition; and 2) does the City have a right to have another election. Snodgrass said that according the City Attorney the answer to both questions is yes. M/M Crow, Peltola that this item be opened to the floor with a limit of three minutes for each comment. Motion passed. Discussion took place. Poll vote: Baxter yes, Crow yes, Hoffman yes, Murphy yes, Nick no, Peltola yes, Swanson yes. Passed 6 ayes, 1 ney. Swanson commented that his yes vote came after much thought and he realized the strong feelings of the opposition and would hold no grudges.

SALE OF CITY LAND:

Nicholson requested consideration of council on the plot of ground in the old air-strip area for his planned laundromat. Discussion followed. M/M Baxter, Peltola that this be put into a committee and thoroughly looked into since it will establish a precedent. Motion passed unanimously.

JAIL CONTRACT:

Snodgrass read the proposed contract between the City of Bethel and the State of Alaska Division of Corrections. Short discussion followed. M/M Crow, Baxter that council accept this contract. Passed unanimously. M/M Baxter, Nick for adjournment. Unanimous. Meeting adjourned.

I hereby certify that the above minutes are true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

Dave Swanson, Mayor

Joanne McCabe

Joanne McCabe, City Clerk

