

Special Meeting City Council April 25th, 1960 on Water

The meeting was called to order by Mayor Jackson at 8:15 pm.

Roll call-Anvil-present

-Carpenter-present

-Christiansen-present

-Hopstad-absent

-Miller-absent

-Jackson-present

-Persons-present

The Mayor stated that the purpose of the meeting was to discuss the proposal made to the City by the Alaska Architectural and Engineering Co. of Fairbanks. She said that one of the main reasons for the incorporation of Bethel was to get a safe water supply and that the above company had been selected after much study by the Water Committee, then the Council because this firm has had the most experience under similar conditions.

Letters were read from the Engineering Company including the proposal. General discussion was held with the floor. The Mayor stated that we must get any application for money in to the Community Facilities Program prior to signing any contract with the engineers or we would not be eligible for assistance. The Alaska Architectural and Engineering Co. will forward the forms to be filled out for the application of money from the Community Facilities Program.

Carpenter questioned the amount of money required for the overall planning alone. This would be less than \$5500.

Walton questioned the length of time which would be required if we did ask the Community Facilities Program for aid. This money can be borrowed but no interest will be asked for the planning part of the program.

Nicholson said that the City would be unable to finance the amount required yearly for the interest on borrowed money alone once the system were installed.

The Mayor re-suggested that the secretary write to find out from the Community Facilities Program if the City would be better to borrow the money for the planning part of the program or not to borrow this money.

The Council agreed in discussion that the City is at this time unable to finance or even to borrow to finance the money for the total proposal as outlined by the Alaska Architectural and Engineering Co.

Persons moved that the City go ahead with the suggested master plan showing the general overall proposed systems, including basic piping layout, water source location, sewage discharge facilities, and other major features to establish the basic overall systems if the cost of this does not exceed \$5500. Christiansen seconded. 4 ayes, 0 naves.

The secretary is to write the City lawyer to ask him to work out with the engineers a contract. In the letter to the Community Facilities Program the question is to be asked about the length of time involved to obtain a loan.

Max Lieb requested an extension of 20 days to straighten out the telephone situation since he had not received the letter from the city until after the 10 days had expired.

Christiansen moved that an extension of 20 days be given to Lieb for the Bethel Telephone C. Carpenter seconded. 4 ayes 0 naves.

Persons moved the meeting be adjourned. Christiansen seconded. All ayes.

*Jean C. Persons, MD
Sec'y, City Council*