

March 7th, 1960 City Council Meeting at N.C. Theater

The meeting was called to order by Mayor Jackson. The roll call- Christiansen  
Hopstad  
Jackson  
Sirilo  
Persons

Absent Guinn

Arrived after roll call-Miller

The minutes were read and approved.

Letters from the Coast Guard and Commissioner Underwood were read.

Finance Report-none.

Police report-none.

REA Report-none.

Health Committee-report by Dr. Jackson. Recommendations included that a Standing public Health Committee be appointed, that Dr. Gibson be reminded that there is no Public Health nurse for Bethel, that when there is a PHN for Bethel the 8 other villages require 66% of her case load, that the Council ask the requirement to have a full time PHN. Much discussion with the floor was held. Persons moved that the Health Council recommendations be accepted as read and that a letter to Dr. Gibson be sent with the information. Christiansen seconded. All ayes. No nays.

Sewage and Garbage Committee report by Miller. He presented three forms that Mr Goetz of the Public Health Service suggested the Council fill out requesting Federal aid since Bethel might qualify for said aid in view of the majority of Native families in Bethel. He discussed changing the site of the present garbage dump to the sand pit beyond the cemetery. Goetz might be able to get the City a surplus garbage truck of the packer type in Seattle with the City paying the freight. Garbage cans could be obtained for the Natives, also for the non-natives for a small fee. Use of prisoners in garbage pickup recommended to save money. Disposal of chemical toilet contents by polyethylene bags-buying them in lots of 5000 they cost 7¢ a piece. If the garbage dump is a covered pit then sewage may be dumped there too, maybe requiring a second truck. Home water storage and pressure systems for running water in each home was discussed. Much discussion with the floor was held. The question was raised if the City could charge for a service financially aided by the Federal Government. A letter is to be written to the City Attorney. The Committee on Garbage and Sewage is to fill out the three forms. A Special meeting is to be held at 8 pm Wed. the 16th of March at the NC Theater for the Sanitation Program. Persons moved that the meeting be held at this time. Sirilo seconded. All ayes. No nays.

Elliott recommended that the Chamber of Commerce ask their Road Committee to request a new bridge across the slough since none of the vital facilities at this time can legally pass over the bridge-the oil trucks, water trucks, the garbage truck if one should be obtained. ~~At that~~ Christiansen moved that the Council write a letter to the Bureau of Public Works with copies to Senator Weise and Representative Hoffman to request a new bridge across the slough. Sirilo seconded. All ayes. No nays.

Jail Committee-no report.

Police Committee read by Persons. Persons moved that new locks be obtained for the jail, that supplies be bought as necessary to maintain adequate sanitation such as wash basins, scrub brushes, and that the water barrel be fixed in a more sanitary way. Miller seconded. 6 ayes. no nays. The recommended salary increase for the chief of police as well as an additional policeman for the summer months were not acted upon.

Lands for Public Recreation-no report.

The garbage ordinance was read for the third time. Much discussion was held and Mr. Schmidt notified the meeting that he was collecting garbage at \$1.00 per barrel. Mr. Fancher stated that his class had obtained and painted 26 garbage barrels for public use and these would be placed in front of business places around town to aid everyone to keep Bethel clean.

Persons moved that the garbage ordinance be passed. Christiansen seconded. The vote was polled. Christiansen-yes

Hopstad-yes

Miller-yes *no - JCP*

Sirlo-yes

Persons-yes

Persons moved that the effective date be March 21st, 1960. Christiansen seconded 4 ayes 1 naye (Miller).

The burning permits will be available March 14th.

The Speed limit for boats was read for the second time. Miller moved that the ordinance be passed. ~~Exh~~ Christiansen Seconded. 5 ayes no naves. Persons moved that the Speed limit for boats ordinance be passed by ~~this~~ title for the third reading. Christiansen seconded. 5 ayes no naves.

Mr. Nicholson read a letter from Paul Winsor to him regarding the well he planned to dig. The Mayor stated that the Engineer from Fairbanks, the Alaska Architectural and Engineering Co. would be here Wednesday, this being the company that the Council had decided to ~~an~~ engage.

Persons moved that the meeting be adjourned. Miller seconded. 5 ayes no naves.