



CITY of BETHEL

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June 11, 1971

Special Council Meeting June 7, 1971

PURPOSE: To consider a resolution previously approved by poll vote of council, and to consider the implementation of an automated accounting system.

Call To Order

Councilman Bruce Crow called the session to order in Mayor Zahradnicek's absence at 8:10 P.M. M/M Crow, Baxter that Ed Hoffman act as mayor for the meeting. Motion carried by unanimous voice vote.

Roll Call

Present: Jack Baxter, Bruce Crow, Ben Dale, Ed Hoffman, and Kevin Murphy
Absent: Bill Zahradnicek and John Guinn (late)

First item for consideration was final approval of a resolution to State Department of Highways granting right of way through city lands per the legal description indicated in the attached resolution.

Council had previously given approval to the resolution by a telephone poll vote June 1, 1971

M/M Baxter, Murphy that the resolution be placed in first reading.

Motion carried by unanimous voice vote.

Resolution No. 67 was read in full by the Clerk.

M/M Baxter, Dale moved the resolution be accepted in first reading and placed in second reading by title only.

Motion carried by unanimous voice vote.

The clerk read the resolution by title only.

M/M Baxter, Dale moved the resolution be accepted in second and final reading.

Motion carried by unanimous voice vote.

M/M Crow, Baxter that the City Administrator be authorized and compelled to automate our accounting system with costs not to exceed \$11,500.00 and the choice of equipment be made by a committee of three - David Webb, Jack Baxter and Gene Stone.

Councilman Baxter requested the record reflect his direct interest in the matter

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of automated accounting for the City.

Discussion clarified that the intent and usage of equipment would be through a contract basis with Baxter Bookkeeping Service for posting accounts receivable and other accounting functions or atleast this possibility had been discussed with the administration. If this were the case, it was also stated that any other use of the machine while at Baxters would be on a revenue lease basis. Depreciation on this type equipment is estimated at ten years, total estimated cost of the equipment is between \$9,500.00 and \$11,500.00. Councilman Hoffman suggested purchase on a term basis, rather than cash outlay. Council also discussed leases, insurance and a maintenance program. Crow and Baxter withdrew their first motion.

M/M Baxter, Dale that both companys be contacted as to credit terms and report at next regular council meetinmg and final decision be made at the next council meeting as to whether the City should lease, buy or drop the automated equipment.

Councilman Baxter expanded on the proposal of locating the equipment at his office, by indicating a rough outline of the procedure used to work the accounts. The City office would still have the responsibility of draw down on accounts, accumulative totals, and report before statements can be posted and mailed. Gene Stone indicated that the break between hand posting and machine posting was usually around 400 accounts, the City is approaching 1,500 accounts including garbage, sanitation and water.

Councilman Crow said in view of the latest discussion, he would suggest re-instating the original motion, that being

M/M Crow, Baxter the City Administration be authorized and compelled to automate our accounting system with cost not to exceed \$12,000.00, the choice of equipment to be made by a committee of three , Webb, Stone and Baxter and the committee should look into time payments or lease programs regarding purchase.

Roll Call Vote

Yes - Baxter, Crow, Dale, Hoffman, Murphy

No - None

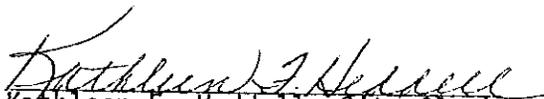
Motion carried.

Councilman Crow indicated he would like to hold a meeeting of the public safety committee in the near future to discuss traffic violations, and some local problems. John Guinn arrived.

Council spoke briefly with the chief of police and told him they would like to have a meeting with him in the near future.

M/M Crow, Dale for adjournment.

Passed by unanimous voice vote.


Kathleen F. Heddel, City Clerk

Edward Hoffman, Mayor Pro-tem