

CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order at 7.30 pm by Mayor Sullivan.

ROLL CALL

All members present.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

motion

M/M by Carpenter, 2nd by Alexie to approve the minutes of the 12/27/84 Council meeting as presented. Voice vote, motion carried.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

motion

M/m by Carpenter, 2nd by Bainton to approve the agenda with the following changes:
New Business, add the following:
a. Item D: PATCH Resolution
b. Item E: Games of Skill and Chance
c. Item F: Utility Dispatch Position
d. Item G: Personnel Matter
e. Item H: Public Restrooms
i. Hustlebuggy Route
Voice vote, motion carried.

MANAGER'S REPORT

MANAGER'S REPORT

City Manager Stigall reported on the following:
a. the PATC Transition Plan will be presented to Council at the next Council meeting
b. recommend that Council at a work session consider a space utilization plan for the City
c. street signs are being installed
d. the City Manager will meet with the press at 10 am on the Tuesday after Council meetings
e. Administration is developing a procedural manual for City staff

POLICE CHIEF REPORT

POLICE CHIEF REPORT

Police Chief Clayton reported on the following:
a. 3 new officers have been hired
b. two positions remain to be filled
c. Investigative Sgt. Lamere has been appointed to Lieutenant
d. the City needs a better dog impoundment area
e. summary of police calls for the month

MAYOR'S REPORT

MAYOR'S REPORT

Mayor Sullivan reported on the following:
a. recommended scheduling a Council work session on the following:
1. city finances
2. employee contracts
3. space utilization plan
b. the Y-K Delta Mayor's Conference will be held January 30 - February 1 at Bethel
c. the City has requested that Lee Stoops present a written proposal to the City concerning a lobbyist role with the City

REPORTS OF STANDING
COMMITTEES

REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES

There were no committee reports.

PEOPLE TO BE HEARD

PEOPLE TO BE HEARD

Antone Anvil requested that traffic signs be placed at the intersection near QFC and the BNC apartments and that something be done to make clear who has the right-of-way at Watson's Corner. The matter was referred to Administration.

Mr. Anvil also requested that Council open all Council meetings with an invocation. Council took no action on the matter.

Jeff Sanders requested that Council comment on the proposed Northland dredging of the Tuluksak River; comments on the project are due by January 30. The matter was referred to Administration for preparation of the City's position on the matter.

Mr. Sanders also requested that Council comment on the proposed power subsidy program now under review by the Governor's Blue Ribbon Panel. Council referred the matter to Administration for review.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Item A: Taxi
Permit Request

PUBLIC HEARING ON JAMES RANDALL TAXI PERMIT REQUEST

Public Hearing on the matter from 8 - 9.11 pm.

Dan Branch, representing Mr. Randall, presented Council Mr. Randall's request for 5 taxi permits. A discussion followed concerning the permit request. Speaking in favor of the request were Dan Branch, Mr. Randall, Willis Roehl and Frank Mazzaro. Speaking in opposition to the request were Clark Miller, Fay Short and Marshall B.

The following items were discussed during the public hearing:

- a. taxi fares
- b. availability of taxis
- c. sub-leasing fees charged to taxi drivers by Checker Cab
- d. the sub-leasing program of Checker Cab
- e. the operation of the taxi dispatch system
- f. the history of cab service at Bethel
- g. shared ride versus point-to-point system
- h. the need for a third cab company in Bethel

It was recommended to Council by Jerry Drake that before Council decides the matter that Council review recent decisions by Fairbanks and Anchorage concerning the regulation of taxicabs.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS
CONTINUED

Fay Short of Kusko Cab suggested that Council re-view the transportation study done by Wright-Foreseen concerning the operation of cabs at Bethel.

Councilmember Veit, accountant for Checker Cab, noted for Council that the cab system as operating today is more efficient and responsible than during the period of no regulation; that the City has a responsibility to maintain an environment that allows the cab companies to be healthy so that they can continue to service the community; that the question is how to equitably distribute any new permits that are created by Council.

Barb Knapp asked Council if Council perceived a conflict of interest in that Council regulates the cabs while at the same time the City operates the bus system.

Mayor Sullivan suggested that Council hold a 2nd hearing on the matter; Council concurred in the recommendation by Mayor Sullivan. A 2nd public hearing on the request for additional cab permits was set for February.

Council recessed from 9.12 - 9.21 pm.

Item B: Centennial
Steering Committee

CENTENNIAL STEERING COMMITTEE

Mayor Sullivan recommended for Council approval the appointment of Elizabeth Mayock, Isabell Stigall and Susan Murphy to the Centennial Steering Committee. Council approved the appointments.

Item C: Erosion
Control Project
Management

EROSION CONTROL PROJECT MANAGEMENT

City Manager Stigall reviewed for Council the proposals for project management submitted by Silides and Galliet and by Dan Boyette. Mr. Stigall presented to Council the following options regarding the project management:

- a. retain the firm of Galliet and Silides
- b. retain Mr. Boyette
- c. hire a City Engineer
- d. utilize the University

e. contract with a different engineering firm
f. oversee through the City Manager's office
Mr. Stigall recommended Council approve option (f), management of the project through the City Manager.

Mr. Silides indicated that the project could be managed through the City Manager's office; that continuity of the project would not be compromised if the Manager's office directed the project; that special problem situations would need to be addressed as they developed; that the City Manager should be permitted to handle the project as he sees best.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS
CONTINUED

EROSION CONTROL PROJECT MANAGEMENT CONTINUED

City Manager Stigall suggested to Council that staff now with the City could oversee the project; that the City, at this time, does not need to hire an on-staff engineer position; that the Finance Department would handle any billings associated with the seawall project.

Mayor Sullivan recommended that Council adopt the recommendation of the City Manager.

motion

M/M by Carpenter, 2nd by Fenn approving project management for the erosion control project through the office of the City Manager. Poll vote, motion carried unanimously.

Item D: Bethel
Family Clinic

BETHEL FAMILY CLINIC REQUEST FOR FUNDS

Kathy Fritz, office manager for the Bethel Family Clinic, reviewed for Council the Clinic's request for grant funds from the City.

Mayor Sullivan recommended that Council consider the matter at a work session and place the matter on the next Council agenda.

Councilmember Alexie noted that money was available for dog and snow machine races yet not for the clinic, that perhaps funding could be for less than 100% of the amount requested.

Councilmember Fenn noted for Council that money for this fiscal year had been distributed with the passage of the budget in December.

Council set a work session on the Family Clinic request for January 21 at 7.30 pm.

Item E: Ordinance
154

INTRODUCTION OF ORDINANCE 154, AN ORDINANCE ESTABLISHING THE PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT

City Manager Stigall reviewed for Council the proposed ordinance and recommended that the departments be established by function; that Council delay action on the proposed ordinance until a more detailed department function description is included with the proposed ordinance. Council set the February 11 Council meeting for continuation of the public hearing.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS
CONTINUED

Item F: Police
Chief Contract

motion

POLICE CHIEF CONTRACT

City Manager Stigall reviewed for Council the proposed employment contract. City Attorney Lubovitch recommended that the City standardize its employment contracts.

M/M by Bainton, 2nd by Carpenter that Police Chief Clayton be compensated at \$56,000 per year and that payment at that rate be retroactive to December 13. Poll vote, motion passed unanimously.

Item G: APOC
Review Committee

APOC MEMBERSHIP REVIEW COMMITTEE

City Manager Stigall informed Council that no names had been submitted for membership on the committee. The matter was referred to the next Council meeting, January 28.

NEW BUSINESS

Item A: Alaskan
of the Year

motion

ALASKAN OF THE YEAR

City Manager Stigall informed Council that the deadline had passed for submission of nominations. Council took no action on the matter.

Item B: Ordinance
156

motion

PUBLIC HEARING ON ORDINANCE 156, AN ORDINANCE
ADOPTING THE BETHEL COMPREHENSIVE PLAN

M/M by Fenn, 2nd by Carpenter to introduce Ordinance 156 and to set the ordinance for a public hearing at the January 28 Council meeting. Voice vote, motion carried.

Item C: Amendment
1 to Ordinance 138

motion

M/M by Carpenter, 2nd by Bainton to go past 10 pm. Voice vote, motion carried.

PUBLIC HEARING ON AMENDMENT 1 TO ORDINANCE 138, AN
AMENDMENT ESTABLISHING SITE PLAN PROCEDURES

City Manager Stigall reviewed for Council the proposed amendment to Ordinance 138.

M/M by Carpenter, 2nd by Aloysius to introduce Amendment 1 to Ordinance 138 and to set the proposed amendment for a public hearing at the February 11 Council meeting. Voice vote, motion carried.

Item D: PATCH
Resolution

motion

RESOLUTION 448 REQUESTING FUNDS FOR THE PATCH PROGRAM

M/M by Carpenter, 2nd by Bainton approving Resolution 448 requesting funds for the PATCH Program. Voice vote, motion carried.

NEW BUSINESS CONT

GAMES OF SKILL AND CHANCE

Item E: Games
of Skill and
Chance

City Manager Stigall reviewed for Council the games of skill and chance permit application of Bethel Regional High School. Council approved the application without objection.

Item F: Utility
Dispatch Position

UTILITY DISPATCH POSITION

City Manager Stigall informed Council that the position as described would require an amendment to Ordinance 131, the Position Classification Matrix. Council placed the matter for the January 28 Council meeting.

Item G: Personnel
Positions

PERSONNEL POSITIONS

City Manager Stigall reviewed for Council the following position additions and changes:

- a. the Personnel Officer position has been replaced by a receiving clerk position within the Finance Department
- b. the personnel function has been changed from the Finance Department to the Administration Department under the City Manager
- c. the Harbormaster position has been temporarily filled by Sarge Connick; the position is being advertised at the present time

motion

M/M by Veit, 2nd by Carpenter approving the following Administration recommendations concerning staffing and personnel:

- a. personnel function from Finance to Administration
- b. hiring an administrative assistant assigned to purchasing to assist with receiving of material
- c. hiring of a Harbormaster

Voice vote, motion carried.

Item H: Public
Rest Rooms

PUBLIC REST ROOMS

City Manager Stigall reported to Council the Department of Environmental Control's concern that public rest rooms are not available at Bethel. Council directed Administration to report back to Council at the 2nd meeting in March with recommendations as to addressing the problem.

Item I: Hustle-
buggy Stops

HUSTLEBUGGY STOPS AT THE DAY CARE CENTER

Councilmember Fenn requested that the Hustlebuggy stop at the Day Care in the morning and evening. Councilmember Veit suggested that Council review the entire Hustlebuggy operation as to costs and routes. The matter of additional stops at the Day Care Center was referred to Administration for implementation.

NEW BUSINESS CONT

MISCELLANEOUS DISCUSSION

City Attorney Lubovitch informed Council that the bowling alley lease for the grounds and the building are being reviewed by his office. The lease arrangement for the bowling alley will be ready for Council at the January 21 Council work session.

Mayor Sullivan noted for Council that the arbitration board had awarded \$110,000.00 to Leo Walsh as settlement for the disputed seawall property. The payment of the award will come from Port Development funds.

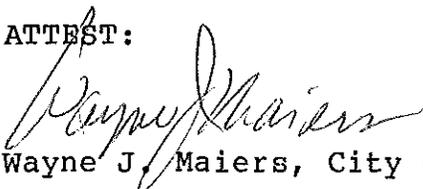
Councilmember Fenn informed Council that Roxanne Adams of the State Museum Committee will be in Bethel on January 22 to discuss with interested parties the operation of the Yugtarvik Museum.

ADJOURNMENT

M/M by Aloysius to adjourn. The meeting adjourned at 10.51 pm.

PASSED AND APPROVED THIS ^{25th} DAY OF FEBRUARY, 1985.

ATTEST:


Wayne J. Maiers, City Clerk


Joe Sullivan, Mayor

5A147