

CALL TO ORDER Mayor Kelly called the meeting to order at 7:35 P.M.

ROLL CALL Present: Anvil, Dale (Tardy), Hoffman (Tardy),
Kelly, Trantham, & Warner.
Absent: Hohman.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES M/M by Trantham, 2nd by Warner to approve 5/23/89 minutes with correction on page 1, Manager's Report, add "pick-up" to truck loads. Voice vote, motion carried.

M/M by Warner, 2nd by Trantham to approve 6/1/89 minutes with correction on page 1, New Business, paragraph 4, indicate that the topic concerned the "old" First National Bank area. Voice vote, motion carried.

M/M by Warner, 2nd by Dale to approve minutes of 6/10/89 as presented. Voice vote, motion carried.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA M/M by Trantham, 2nd by Warner to approve the agenda with the following additions: Under New Business: Add Item G with 5 Executive Items: 2 Legal, 3 Personnel.

MAYOR'S REPORT No Mayor's Report presented at this time.

MANAGER'S REPORT City Manager Earnest reviewed his written report with Council and added the following items:
-Finance Director Kehr requested \$11,500 for a new printer due to repeated problems.
-On 6/13/89, he received a letter from the State Department of Community & Regional Affairs (DCRA) concerning a 21% reduction from revenue sharing. If this happens, we will receive \$72,000 less than originally planned for FY '90 due to sales tax revenue being down in 1987-88. A definitive answer will be received on 6/14/89 from DCRA and Council will be provided with more information. Discussion held. No provisions can be made until 6/15/89 at the Public Hearing. Councilmen Dale recommended that negotiations with DCRA go as planned.

-Councilmen Warner asked that the following contracts discussed be placed on the next agenda: State Troopers Building Lease, QFC #1 Lease, High School Gym, Consortium Library, Sand Lease, and City Property removal on State Highway, (dumpsters, city street signs, etc.).

-Trantham suggested that the City Manager touch basis with BNC on the Sand Sale Agreement with the State.

-City Manager Earnest asked Council if it is allowable for the Union Negotiations to be held in the City Buildings. Dale, Kelly, Warner, & Anvil opposed. Meanwhile, the Attorney is be contacted, and Union meetings will not be conducted on City Property until there is a statement from the Attorney.

MANAGER'S REPORT
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City Manager Earnest said he worked extensively with the Seawall issue. Discussion followed.

Also reported the City is eligible for reimburseable costs for cold weather damage in the amount of \$147,800 under H.B. 154 from the State Division of Emergency Services.

-Councilmen Trantham expressed his appreciation for the written City Manager's Report and asked that in the future it be submitted with the packet.

FINANCE DIRECTOR'S
REPORT

Finance Director Kehr reported that a selection for the Accounting Manager's position has been made and will report to work on 7/10/89.

-Further explained printer problems.

-Councilmen Dale questioned the status of the Staff Accountant position. Kehr reported this will be advertised in the near future; and the primary responsibilities will include sales tax calculations (penalty & interest) and sales tax audits.

COUNCILMEMBER COMMENTS

Councilmen Warner had a discussion with Jordon Suhr on the pumphouse up-grade which is at a stand still due to insurance undercoverage. Currently, it is insured at \$250,000 and should be insured at approximately \$2.5 million.

-Councilmen Warner asked for additional information at the 6/17/89 Council meeting.

-Councilmen Warner further expressed concern regarding a realistic plan in the eventuality of destruction to the current pumphouse system. Mr. Suhr informed Councilmen Warner that the sewage lagoon up-grade is also at a stand still; a letter was mailed to the City Administration in May, '89, regarding this issue -- but to date, no response.

Councilmen Anvil commented on the following items:
-Asked when the second ramp would be installed at the Harbor. Councilmen Warner indicated that the Port Commission is currently waiting on a financial report on the Port Fund. Jordon Suhr has done the preliminary work, but it may not be completed until Fall of '89.

-Councilmen Anvil stated he felt the pick-up boats should be charged double for dock permits due to the boat size, the revenue received, and the work done to the boats at the Small Boat Harbor. Acting Port Director Greydanus reported that all boats are charged the same for boat permits regardless of size. Mr Greydanus also said he anticipated 200 boats would be registered, but since this is not an ordinance, only approximately 39 boats are currently registered.

-Councilment Anvil suggested that VPSO's river patrol their village areas.

COUNCILMEMBER COMMENTS
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Councilmen Hoffman reported that he received several complaints from the public regarding no parking space for their vehicles and boat trailers even after paying for their permits. City Manager Earnest said there would be additional parking space when the dirt, now in place, is smoothed out.

-Councilmen Hoffman further expressed concern about people falling off the docks and drowning with the City held liable. Warner reminded Council that there is an agreement with A.C. Marina and the people that the City would have access over the seawall.

Councilmen Dale stated several comments:

-Due to potential liability, he is 100% opposed to the City being responsible for river patrol. He feels the State Troopers should cover the area.

-The space between the parking area and the boat ramp at the Small Boat Harbor still has not been filled with asphalt.

MOTION

M/M by Dale, 2nd by Hoffman to give City Manager Earnest directive to fill void between parking area and boat ramp with asphalt from the Dock and Streets & Roads Maintenance on a replacement basis. Voice vote, motion carried.

-Councilmen Dale further stated the City should show the public concern and provide a telephone at the Small Boat Harbor. Discussion followed.

MOTION

M/M by Dale, 2nd by Anvil to sign an agreement with GTE to install a telephone at the Small Boat Harbor with the City being held responsible for pilferage and a cancellation clause be noted. Poll vote, motion carried. 5 (yes); 1 (no), Warner.

REPORTS OF STANDING
COMMITTEES

Councilmen Trantham, on behalf of the Clean-up Green-up Committee, thanked the citizens of Bethel for the work done and the City Council for approving the use of top soil from the Boat Harbor.

-Councilmen Trantham informed Council that the Public Works Committee held a public hearing; comments were: no rate adjustments, Administration overhead is too high, advised to concentrate on grant writing, revenue bonds, extend, improve, and and replace worn-out equipment.

-The Public Works Committee has two restoration recommendations which were brought before Council several months ago with no action taken. (1) The City should hire a land fill engineer or something should be done with the current dump. (2) Go out for a request for proposal (RFP) for engineering services for water/sewer line extension & expansion on Delapp Street for 8 homes, and 7 homes & 1 office on the North side of Ptarmigan.

MOTION

M/M by Warner, 2nd by Dale - direction given to City to request for proposal for engineering services for piped water & sewer installation West of Delapp Street for 8 homes; and 7 homes and/or 1 office North of Ptarmigan. Voice vote, motion carried.

Councilmen Dale expressed concern regarding sewer rates vs. pick up system; people prefer pick up rather than hook up due to rates. He wants this addressed so people will hook up before winter.

MOTION

M/M by Dale, 2nd by Trantham to have the Public Works Committee make recommendations on rates for piped sewage to encourage citizens to utilize. Voice vote, motion carried.

Councilmen Warner stated for the record that the Planning Commission held a public hearing regarding a request for a conditional use permit for conversion of a 4-plex into a bed & breakfast. (Adkins Apartments), and there was a large turn out; the permit was denied due to technicalities.

PEOPLE TO BE HEARD

Karry Rouske, Chairperson of APEA (City Employee Union) asked Council to change their opinion that employees are out to destroy the City of Bethel.

Nelson Davies (Teen Center employee) stated he felt it is in the best interest of everyone to allow the Union meeting to go on as planned in the City Senior Center. Stated that the past Administration and Administrative policies before that is the cause of City employees voting into the Union.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

ITEM A: Local Option Election Date

SET A DATE FOR LOCAL OPTION ELECTION

M/M by Dale, 2nd by Trantham to set October 4, 1989, as official date for the Local Option Election to be held with the General Election. Voice vote, motion carried.

ITEM B: City Mgr's contract.

This item moved to added item G: Executive Session.

NEW BUSINESS

ITEM A: Riverbank Stabilization

RIVERBANK STABILIZATION

City Manager Earnest reported on the Riverbank Stabilization. A Damage Assessment Team from the Corps of Engineers and a Representative from Alaska Division of Emergency Services were in town on May 30, '89. It was discovered that extensive damage has occurred with this year's flood. At 5 ft. of tow, catastrophic failure of the seawall in front of the Joe Lomack building, can be expected. There is 7 ft. before that point is reached. Precaution has been taken, i.e., no boat parking, etc. A channel profile was completed to determine the extent of the hole; a hydrographic survey is recommended. Discussion held.

NEW BUSINESS

-continued- ITEM B: STUDENT COUNCIL REPRESENTATION
Student Council Rep.

Mayor Kelly recommended that when BRHS and KuC opens in the fall, ex-officio (non-voting) members should be appointed to the City Council as they have shown interest. No action taken at this time.

ITEM C: Moravian MORAVIAN CHURCH
Church

M/M by Trantham, 2nd by Warner to approve the Visitor Center renewal at \$300 per month, payable to Moravian Archives. Voice vote, motion carried.

ITEM D: Budget INTRODUCTION - AMENDMENT #4 - ORDINANCE #180 FY '89
Am. #4 to Ord. #180 BUDGET AMENDMENT

M/M by Dale, 2nd by Trantham to Introduce Amendment #4 - Ordinance #180/FY '89 Budget Amendment at a Public Hearing at the next Regular Council meeting on 06/27/89. Voice vote, motion carried.

ITEM E: Dock Cargo DOCK CARGO AGREEMENT
Agreement

MOTION

M/M by Dale, 2nd by Warner for the Dock to operate as in previous year until May 1, 1990. Voice vote, motion carried.

ITEM F: Res. #636 RESOLUTION #636 - COMPREHENSIVE DEVELOPMENT PROJECT

MOTION

M/M by Trantham, 2nd by Dale for the Adoption of Resolution #636 - Comprehensive Development Project. Voice vote, motion carried.

MOTION

M/M by Dale, 2nd by Warner to go into Executive Session at 10:00 P.M.

MOTION

M/M by Trantham, 2nd by Dale to return to regular Regular Session from Executive Session at 11:00 P.M.

MOTION

M/M by Trantham, 2nd by Dale to ratify the City Manager's Contract with the following changes:
-Section #2: add "written" before evaluation.
-Section #3: add "Upon termination of employment, Mr. Earnest shall be entitled to payment of unused Annual leave, but shall not be entitled to payment of unused Sick leave".
-Section #8: add "as provided to other employees of the City of Bethel". Poll vote, motion carried.
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ADJOURNMENT

MOTION

M/M by Trantham, 2nd by Dale to adjour 6/13/89 meeting at 11:00 P.M. Voice vote, motion carried.

PASSED AND APPROVED THIS 28 DAY OF June, 1989.

Clara Kelly
Clara Kelly, Mayor

ATTEST:

Karole A. Kohl

Karole A. Kohl, Acting City Clerk