

REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING  
JUNE 26, 1972

CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order at 8:10 p.m. by Mayor John Guinn.

ROLL CALL

Present: All others.

Absent: Dale

READING OF MINUTES

M/M Zahradnicek, Romer we accept the minutes of 6-12-72.  
Motion passed by unanimous voice vote.

The clerk was asked to read the minutes of 6-19-72, a special meeting.

M/M Zahradnicek, Cooke we accept them in their entirety as received by council.

John Guinn explained to the audience that the clerk send copies of the minutes to all council members for review.

Motion passed by unanimous vote.

COMMUNICATION

A letter was read re: George Jacobs retirement from the City of Bethel, Public Safety Department.

Mrs. Cooke interpeded to Mr. Jacobs.

A letter from State of Alaska, Office of the Governor on Alcoholism re: Meeting in Bethel in July.

COMPLAINTS AND PEOPLE TO BE HEARD

Chris Cooke wanted the City Council to know that the Alaska Legal Services Board met in Bethel and he thought the city of Bethel should write Don Perkins in appreciation for coming to Bethel.

Harold Sparcks wanted to know if the Braund Building Utilization would be discussed tonight. Ed Benson said he would cover that in the Administration Report.

ADMINISTRATION REPORT

Mr. Ed Benson reported on the meeting at the Braund Building. We stated it was not a very good turnout and that another meeting was set up for this coming wednesday.

He handed out a State of the Budget to Council, effective May 30, 1972.

He reported that Harry Faulkner wanted to put a dock on, which he believed, city owned property in the slough. There was a discussion on whether or not the city did own the property and how big the property was.

M/M Zahradnicek, Hoffman; until it is cleared thru the City Office and the City Administration and it is in writing, it should be considered City property and no permission be authorized.

Mr. Benson stated he could not find anything in writing, that the city owned Lot 1, Block 7 of U. S. S. 3790. So councilman Zahradnicek requested a title search on the property.. Question was called on the motion and a request for the clerk to reread the motion, which she did.

Motion passed by unanimous voice vote.

M/M Zahradnicek, Murphy and the type of construction can't be stopped until it is certain that the city has the right to give permission as of June 2th<sup>1973</sup>

Motion passed by unanimous voice vote.

Councilman Zahradnicek requested a roll call vote.

yes: Cooke, Guinn, Murphy, Zahradnicek

no : Hoffman, Romer

Motion carried.

#### MAYOR'S REPORT

Mayor Guinn read the report from City Consultant, Dave Webb, which is filed at City Office. He went into a discussion about zoning and stressed the City would have some control on building in town via an Ordinance.

#### REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES

All committees had nothing. Councilman Murphy had one question. Why the bids for 4th Ave. wasn't on the agenda.

Ed Benson stated that the bid opening was postponed for 2 weeks because of lack of information given to the bidders when the bid forms were picked up.

#### OLD BUSINESS

A.) FY 72-73 Budget Readjustments for negotiating for Nicholson water works.

Ed Benson reported on the meeting of the three council members who were instructed to find the money in the budget for a downpayment. He stated councilman Murphy and Tom Dillon showed up and did find \$25,000. They are as follows:

PWD	- new sanitation truck	\$ 6,000
Fire Dept.	- new building	10,000
	new truck payment	3,000
PSD	- new vehicle	5,000
	State instructor fees	1,000
	Total	<u>\$25,000</u>

Mr. Benson explained the \$25,000 would be distributed as follows:

\$15,000 - down , July 26th

10,000 - partial payment , Oct. 26th

10,000 - final payment on the year , Jan. 26th or possibly land exchange.

He explained a 15 year contract with a 6 % interes would be around \$48,000 and a 10 year contract would be \$38,000.

Councilman Zahradnicek asked about the interest. He was confused on when the interest rate started, July 26th of what year? Benson stated that the first annual payment would be a July 26th, 1973.

June 26, 1972

M/M Zahradnicék, Romer, pursuant to the June 12th proposal of A.L. Nicholson for the purchase of said company for \$135,000 the first down payment due July 26, 1972, and \$10,000 due in Oct. of 1972, and \$10,000 payments down at no interest rate on down payment until the final payment on Jan. 26, 1973 be accept. First payment on July 26, 1972 at the rate of a 10 year period plus interest at 7 % for 10 consecutive years.

Mr. Nicholson wanted the motion clarified because the way he read it, it was not acceptable to him .

Discussion on the motion and where the down payment money came from.

Amendment on main motion made by Murphy, seconded by Romer, interest on balance \$100,000 will commence July 26th, 1972 until Jan. 26th, 1973.

ROLL CALL ON AMENDMENT

yes: Hoffman, Murphy, Romer, Zahradnicék  
no: Cooke, Guinn  
Amendment passed.

ROLL CALL ON MAIN MOTION

yes: Hoffman, Murphy, Romer, Zahradnicék  
no : Motion passed.

The City Administrator reported that a title search in Anchorage was in process, and he was waiting for the results. The CA was instructed to make arrangements for finding and training an operator for the water system, also to write a letter of intent of purchasing the business to Mr. Nicholson. Mr. Nicholson stated he would be out of the building Aug. 1, 1972 and Mr. Benson stated he would hold off signing the contract until the title search was complete.

The council took a short break. ✓

NEW BUSINESS

A.) Sand Pit Utilization.

Mr. Benson wanted to report that the Sand-Pit by Bethel Heights was city owned and wanted a motion from council stating that the sand from that pit be used for city streets only. There was discussion re: the sandpit.

M/M Murphy, Cooke, the city restrict the sand pit at Bethel Heights to be used for City Street Maintenance and city projects only.

Motion passed by unanimous voice vote.

B.) Accounting Contract with YKHC.

Mr. Benson brought out the fact that Jack Baxter was doing the accounting for YKHC and they wanted to continue on the NCR Machine. Possibly at \$15.00 per hour there was discussion on the contract so the council instructed the CA to negotiate with YKHC and come back to council for approval in 45 days.

M/M Murphy, Hoffman to continue the YKHC bookkeeping until a contract can be worked out with the CA and YKHC and come back to council for approval within 45 days.  
Motion passed by unanimous voice vote.

C.) Budget Review and Approval .

Since the down payment for Nicholson water works was worked out of the budget, the changes had to be so indicated, also there wasn't anything in there for the school or travel funds for the council to the Municipal League Meetings.

Mr. Zahradnicek made a motion to accept the budget, which he withdrew.

M/M Zahradnicek, Murphy to accept the budget as amended this evening 6-26-72 and have FY 72-73 budget review in Sept. '72 for alterations.

Motion passed by unanimous voice vote.

D.) Public Works Dept. Position and B.S.S. Contract

M/M Hoffman, Zahradnicek we go into executive session to discuss those two items. Motion passed by unanimous voice vote.

The council went into executive session at 9:55 pm reconvened at 10:45 pm.

M/M Zahradnicek, Murphy we go passed 10:00 pm.

Motion passed by unanimous voice vote.

M/M Murphy, Hoffman we accept applications for the PWD for another 30 days.

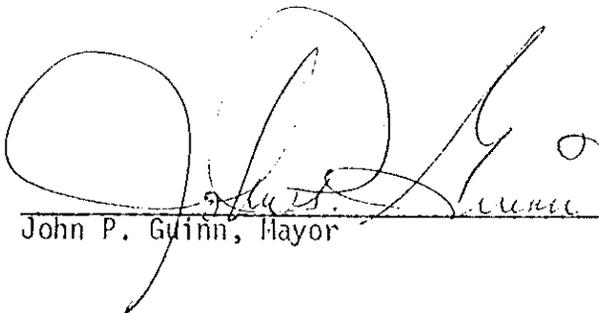
Motion passed by unanimous voice vote.

M/M Zahradnicek, Romer we adjourned.

Motion passed by unanimous voice vote

Meeting adjourned at 10:50 pm.

I hereby certify these minutes to be true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

  
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John P. Guinn, Mayor

  
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Ruth M. Richardson, City Clerk