

CALL TO ORDER

M/M by Kelly, 2nd by Trantham to appoint Councilman Warner to Acting Mayor since Mayor Carpenter was on vacation/out of town. Voice vote, motion carried.

Acting Mayor Warner called the special meeting to order at 8:16 p.m.

ROLL CALL

Present: Anvil, Hoffman, Kelly, Trantham, Warner.  
Absent: Carpenter, Dale.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

M/M by Trantham, 2nd by Kelly to approve the agenda as presented. Voice vote, motion carried.

BUSINESS ITEM:

Item A: G.O. Bonding  
Refinancing

G.O. BOND REFINANCING

City Manager Chinn indicated to Council that if the City of Bethel wants the general obligation bond refinancing, decision needed to be made before Friday, May 6, in order to make the 5% good faith deposit. Following list are some of the reasons that City Manager Chinn discussed with Council:

- regarding commercial banks, indicated that Rainier has 23 million in tax exempt monies;
- bond's issued at 5% interest;
- two things he wished Council consider:
  - a) secure's City's ability to proceed;
  - b) could apply towards this year's debt service.

Councilman Trantham asked City Manager Chinn from what fund this 5% good faith deposit to Farmer's Home Administration was coming out of. City Manager Chinn indicated it would come either out of the undesignated fund or debt service fund.

Council through teleconference heard Tim Middleton, a bond lawyer, explain further in detail the general obligation bond refinancing and other bank policies on general obligation bonds rates.

After the teleconference, Acting Mayor Warner felt that City should go with this offer and the 5% good faith deposit take out of debt service fund and to replenish with budget amendment.

Councilman Trantham indicated that he has been receiving some public input on this matter, and felt he will vote no on this issue per the comments received from the public and the Finance Committees recommendation to reject the offer. He further suggested that in the future, that there be more public information available regarding important matters like this. Felt the public was not informed enough regarding this particular subject.

Item A: G.O. Bonding Refinancing cont. M/M by Hoffman, 2nd by Kelly to go ahead with this 5% good faith deposit to Farmer's Home Administration, a total of \$23,425.00 out of the contingency fund, than to transfer deposit from unbalanced fund to cover contingency fund. Poll vote, 4-yes; 1-no, Trantham. Motion passed.

ADJOURNMENT M/M by Trantham, 2nd by Kelly to adjourn the special Council meeting at 9:43 p.m. Voice vote, motion passed.

PASSED AND APPROVED THIS 14 DAY OF JUNE, 1988.

  
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Tom Warner, Acting Mayor  
for Diane Carpenter, Mayor

ATTEST:

  
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Anna McGowan, City Clerk