
City of Bethel City Council Meeting Minutes

January 10, 2011

Regular Meeting

Bethel, Alaska

I. CALL TO ORDER

A Regular Meeting of the Bethel City Council was held on January 10, 2011 at 6:30pm, at the City Council Chambers, Bethel, Alaska.

Mayor Joseph Klejka called the meeting to order.

II. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

III. ROLL CALL

PRESENT:

Council Member Kent Harding
Council Member Gene Jr. Peltola
Council Member Joseph Klejka
Council Member Mark Springer
Council Member Rick Robb
Council Member Eric Whitney

ABSENT:

Council Member Mary Sattler

STAFF:

City Clerk Lori Strickler
City Manager Lee Foley

IV. PEOPLE TO BE HEARD

Representative Bob Herron-
Spoke to the Council about the upcoming Legislative Session.

James Woods-
As a City of Bethel employee, is concerned with the recent changes to the overtime procedures for the City.

Bing Santamour –
Spoke in favor of Ordinance 11-24.

Michael Mendenhall-
As a City Employee, is concerned with the recent changes to the overtime procedures for the City.

V. APPROVAL OF THE CONSENT AND REGULAR AGENDA

MOVED:	Robb	Motion to approve the consent agenda and regular agenda.
SECONDED:	Springer	
MOVED:	Springer	Motion to amend the agenda, to move Item A under Special Order of Business, to after the Approval of the Consent and Regular Agenda.
SECONDED:	Peltola	
VOTE ON MOTION	All in favor	
MOVED:	Robb	Remove Resolution 12-02, Resolution 12-03 and Ordinance 12-01 from the consent agenda.
SECONDED:		
MOVED:	Robb	Motion to amend the agenda, to strike Executive Session Item A.
SECONDED:	Springer	
VOTE ON MOTION	All in favor	
VOTE ON MAIN MOTION	All in favor	

VI. SPECIAL ORDER OF BUSINESS

Item A- Proclamation Recognizing The Bethel Warriors Wrestling Team For Their 1st Place Finish A Second Year In A Row.

VII. APPROVAL OF THE MEETING MINUTES

Item A – 12-06-2011 Special City Council Meeting
Passed on consent agenda

Item B - 12-13-2011 Regular City Council Meeting
Passed on consent agenda

Item C - 12-20-2011 Special City Council Meeting
Passed on consent agenda

VIII. REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES

Item A- Port Commission

No one available to provide an update to the Council.

Item B- Planning Commission

No one available to provide an update to the Council.

Item C-Public Works Committee

No one available to provide an update to the Council.

Item D-Energy Committee

No one available to provide an update to the Council.

Item E-Public Safety and Transportation Commission

No one available to provide an update to the Council.

Item F- Finance Committee

No one available to provide an update to the Council.

Item G-Parks and Receptions Committee

No one available to provide an update to the Council.

IX. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Item A- Public Hearing Of Ordinance 11-24: Amending Section 13.60 Of The Bethel Municipal Code, Utility Rates For Water And Sewer Subscriptions To Add Five Dollars To Each Subscription To Recover The Cost Of Water System Capital Improvements.

Mayor Klejka opened the public hearing.

Bing Santamour encouraged the council to amend the Ordinance to provide an end date to the increase on subscriptions.

Robert Carlson provide

Mayor Klejka closed the public hearing.

MOVED:	Springer	Motion to approve Ordinance 11-24.
SECONDED:	Robb	

MOVED:	Robb	Motion to amend Ordinance 11-24, to insert Chapter 13.12.290 and 13.16.110 with the \$5.00 charge for Recycling Services stricken.
SECONDED:	Peltola	
VOTE ON MOTION		
The Mayor ruled the motion out of order.		
VOTE ON MAIN MOTION		
5-1 Motion passes, Harding opposed		

I. NEW BUSINESS

Item A- Resolution 12-01: Supporting The State Of Alaska Fish And Game Survey.
Passed on the consent agenda.

Item B- Resolution 12-02: City Of Bethel's Federal Priority Requests For Fiscal Year 2012.

MOVED:	Robb	Motion to adopt Resolution 12-02.
SECONDED:	Springer	
MOVED:	Robb	Motion to amend the Resolution to strike \$100,000 under the 3 rd priority, Kuskokwim River Navigation Reconnaissance Study and to insert \$500,000.
SECONDED:	Springer	
VOTE ON MOTION		
1-5 Motion fails, Robb in favor		
VOTE ON MAIN MOTION		
5-1 Motion passes, Whitney opposed		

Item C- Resolution 12-03: Denali Commission Grant Transportation Program Waterfront Project Nomination.

MOVED:	Springer	Motion to adopt Resolution 12-03.
SECONDED:	Robb	

MOVED:	Peltola	Motion to suspend the rules to hear from the public.
SECONDED:	Springer	
VOTE ON MAIN MOTION	All in favor	
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Item D- Resolution 12-04: Supporting Tundra Ridge Road Resurfacing Project For The 2012-2015 Alaska Statewide Transportation Improvement Program.

Passed on the consent agenda.

Item E – Introduction Of Ordinance 12-01: Amending Bethel Municipal Code 2.24 Planning Commission.

MOVED:	Whitney	Motion to introduce Ordinance 12-01.
SECONDED:	Robb	
MOVED:	Robb	Motion to refer to the Planning Commission.
SECONDED:	Harding	
VOTE ON MAIN MOTION	All in favor	
<i>Ordinance 12-01 is referred to the Planning Commission and will be brought back after the Planning Commission review.</i>		

Item F – AM 12-01: Reappointment Of Leif Albertson To The Energy Committee.

Passed on the consent agenda.

Item G – AM 12-02: Approving Council Member's To Attend A Legislative Process Workshop/Training January 12th and 13th.

MOVED:	Whitney	Motion to approve AM 12-02.
SECONDED:	Peltola	

MOVED:	Robb	Motion to amend, to strike \$750 and insert \$1,000 to include Council Member Robb's participation.
SECONDED:	Peltola	
VOTE ON MOTION		
		All in favor
VOTE ON MAIN MOTION		
		All in favor

Item H – AM 12-03: Approving Council Member's Travel To Juneau To Lobby For State Capital Priority Requests.

MOVED:	Springer	Motion to approve AM 12-03 with the intent for the authorization to travel, not exceed three council members.
SECONDED:	Peltola	
VOTE ON MAIN MOTION		
		5-1 Motion passes, Robb opposed

Item I – AM 12-04: Approving Alaska Municipal League Representative's Travel To AML Winter Meeting.

MOVED:	Whitney	Motion to approve AM 12-04.
SECONDED:	Peltola	
VOTE ON MOTION		
		All in favor
VOTE ON MAIN MOTION		
		All in favor

Item J – AM 12-05: Approving Personal Time Off For The City Clerk.
Passed on the consent agenda.

Item K – AM 12-06: Reappointment Of Alan Murphy To The Port Commission.
Passed on the consent agenda.

Item L – AM 12-07: Authorize City Manager To Conduct A Survey To Plat The Bethel Aquatic Training And Health Center Site And Surrounding Parcel.

MOVED:	Springer	Motion to approve AM 12-07.
SECONDED:	Robb	
VOTE ON MAIN MOTION	All in favor	

MOVED:	Robb	Motion to take a ten minute break.
SECONDED:	Peltola	
VOTE ON MAIN MOTION	All in favor	

Item M – AM 12-08: Approving The Proposed Kaligtuq Road Rout As An Alternative To Tundra Ridge Road.

MOVED:	Harding	Motion to approve AM 12-08.
SECONDED:	Springer	
VOTE ON MAIN MOTION	All in favor	

Item N – Bethel Armory Building Update And Strategy's For Future Occupancy.

XII. MAYOR'S REPORT

XIII. MANAGERS REPORT

XIV. CITY CLERK'S REPORT

XV. COUNCIL MEMBER COMMENTS

Council Member Robb-
 Congratulated the Bethel Warriors Wrestling Team for their job well done and wished the best of luck to the basketball teams.
 Thanked city staff for their hard work during these cold temperatures.

Council Member Whitney

Energy Committee met yesterday and passed a recommendation to put the Recycling Center out to lease; discussed the \$5.00 solid waste fee; a review of the wind energy grants will be coming before the council at the next regular meeting.

The cold weather has been a challenge, stay warm.

Council Member Harding-

Thanked all the individuals working hard to get the schools up and running again.

Council Member Springer-

Thanked the City for all of their hard work during the cold weather.

Thanked Tiana Williams for her letter to the City Council and the City's Lobbyist regarding the City's proposed community pool.

Stay warm and be careful out there.

Vice-Mayor Peltola-

There is another cold snap coming, everyone should use caution.

Addressed administration with concerns regarding the maintenance and upkeep of the skate lake at Pinkey's Park.

Mayor Klejka-

Thanked the City Manager and his employees for the hard work in the cold weather conditions and their willingness to step outside their typical responsibilities to help individual home owners and residence with their freeze-up issues.

Taxi cab issue in parking lots was brought up to the Public Safety and Transportation Commission.

K300 will be next week with all of the corresponding events. The K300 is expecting at least 19 mushers this year.

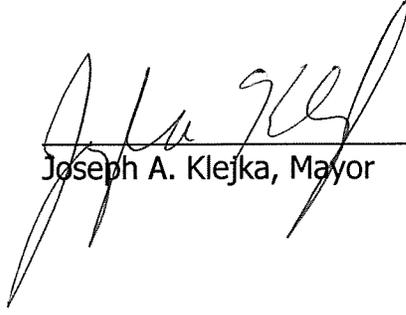
Public Works Committee is in support to the privatizing of the City's Recycling Center.

At the next Public Works Committee they will discuss the five step plan for water and sewer.

XVI. ADJOURNMENT

MOVED:	Peltola	Motion to adjourn.
SECONDED:	Springer	
VOTE ON MAIN MOTION	All in favor	

Council adjourned at 9:12 p.m.



Joseph A. Klejka, Mayor

ATTEST: 

Lori Strickler, City Clerk