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# City of Bethel City Council Meeting Minutes

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January 24, 2012

Regular Meeting

Bethel, Alaska

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## **I. CALL TO ORDER**

A Regular Meeting of the Bethel City Council was held on January 24, 2012 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 Joseph Klejka  
Council Member Mark Springer  
Council Member Rick Robb  
Council Member Eric Whitney  
Council Member Gene Jr. Peltola (arrived after roll call)  
Council Member Mary Sattler (arrived after roll call)

**ABSENT:** None

**STAFF:** City Clerk Lori Strickler  
City Manager Lee Foley

## **IV. PEOPLE TO BE HEARD**

Beverly Hoffman

YK Delta Lifesavers representative, stated she is please to see the community working together to get the town thawed out from the recent cold a special thanks to the City of Bethel for their efforts.

Kumarvic held a meeting today and discussed the change of name of the Bethel Aquatic Training and Health Center to Yukon Kuskokwim Regional Health and Safety Center. The Kumarvic group is in favor of the name change. Kumarvic will be joining in the efforts of lobbying the Legislature for the funding of the project.

David Trantham -  
Spoke in opposition to Ordinance 11-24.

**V. APPROVAL OF THE CONSENT AND REGULAR AGENDA**

<b>MOVED:</b>	Robb	Motion to approve the consent and regular agenda.
<b>SECONDED:</b>	Whitney	
<b>VOTE ON MAIN MOTION</b>	All in favor	

**VI. APPROVAL OF THE MEETING MINUTES**

**Item A** – 1-10-2012 Special City Council Meeting Minutes.  
*Passed on the consent agenda.*

**Item B** -1-10-2012 Regular City Council Meeting Minutes.  
*Passed on the consent agenda.*

**VII. REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES**

**Item A- Planning Commission**

Council Member Robb-  
Working on a few ordinances for council consideration.  
John Guinn elected as the chair and Joy Shantz was elected as vice chair.

**Item B-Port Commission**

Council Member Springer-  
A meeting was not held due to a lack of a quorum.

**Item C-Public Safety and Transportation Commission**

Council Member Harding-  
A meeting was not held due to a lack of a quorum.

*Council Member Sattler and Vice-Mayor Peltola arrived at 6:47p.*

**Item D- Parks and Recreation Committee**

No one available to provide an update.

**Item E- Public Works Committee**

Mayor Klejka-

Discussed the RFP submitted to the committee from the energy committee on the privatization of the Recycling Center.

Determined a quick analysis of the committees on issues pertaining to the body should be considered in the future.

Army National Guard concerns and considerations.

**Item F- Finance Committee**

Dave Trantham, member of the Finance Committee-

The last regular meeting was not held due to a holiday. The next meeting will be held on Thursday January 26<sup>th</sup>.

**Item G- Energy Committee**

Council Member Whitney-

Discussed and approved the recommendation to the City Council to put the Recycling Center out to RFP.

Update on the City's Wind Energy grants.

Managing hazardous materials.

**VIII. SPECIAL ORDER OF BUSINESS**

South Central Foundation Presentation and Outreach To Bethel And Surrounding Communities To Help End Domestic Violence and Child Abuse.

*Maxim Dolchok, Marie Stewman and Ronda Pokupec addressed the council on the initiative of the South Central Foundation.*

**I. NEW BUSINESS**

**Item A-MOTION TO AMEND SOMETHING PREVIOUSLY ADOPTED-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.*

David Trantham-

Spoke in opposition of Ordinance 11-24.

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

*Mayor Klejka closed the public hearing.*

<b>MOVED:</b>	Peltola	Motion to amend Ordinance 11-24, to insert <u>and H</u> under section 13.16.020 (A) behind "In addition to usage charges" and, under BMC 13.16.020 (B) behind "in addition to usage charges."
<b>SECONDED:</b>	Whitney	
<b>MOVED:</b>	Robb	Motion to amend the amendment, to include the change in the effective date to strike immediately upon the passage by the city council and insert February 1, 2012.
<b>SECONDED:</b>	Peltola	
<b>VOTE ON MOTION</b>	6-1 Motion passes, Harding opposed	
<b>VOTE ON MOTION</b>	6-1 Motion passes, Harding opposed	

*The motion to adopt Ordinance 11-24 was approved by a vote of 5-1 at the January 14<sup>th</sup> Regular City Council Meeting.*

**Item B-** MOTION TO AMEND SOMETHING PREVIOUSLY ADOPTED –  
Resolution 11-32: City Of Bethel's State Priority Request Addition For  
Fiscal Year 2013.

*The motion to adopt Resolution 11-24 was approved by a vote of 6-0 at the January 14<sup>th</sup> Regular City Council Meeting.*

<b>MOVED:</b>	Robb	Motion to amend Resolution 11-32 striking Bethel Aquatic Training and Health Center and insert Yukon Kuskokwim Regional Aquatic Health and Safety Center.
<b>SECONDED:</b>	Whitney	
<b>VOTE ON MOTION</b>	All in favor	

**Item C- Introduction Of Ordinance 12-02:** Amending Bethel Municipal Code Section 13.12.290 Landfill Use And 13.16.010 Solid Waste Collection By Striking Five Dollars Within The Rate Schedule.

*Passed on the consent agenda.*

**Item D-** Review/Status Of City Of Bethel Alternative energy Grants And Options In Moving Forward.

<b>MOVED:</b>	Whitney	Motion to suspend the rules to hear from Grant Development Manager, John Sargent.
<b>SECONDED:</b>	Robb	
<b>VOTE ON MAIN MOTION</b>		
All in favor		

**Item E – Strategies For Lobbying Legislature For Capital Project Requests.**

<b>MOVED:</b>	Robb	Motion to direct the city lobbyist to work with Kumarvic and other organizations within the community to coordinate efforts to lobby for the Yukon Kuskokwim Regional Health and Safety Center funding.
<b>SECONDED:</b>	Whitney	
<b>VOTE ON MAIN MOTION</b>		
All in favor		

**XII. MAYOR'S REPORT**

**XIII. MANAGERS REPORT**

**XIV. CITY CLERK'S REPORT**

**XV. COUNCIL MEMBER COMMENTS**

Council Member Richard Robb-  
Kudos and compliments to the K-300 volunteers who make this event successful for the community.  
Stay warm.

Council Member Eric Whitney-  
Stay warm out there and keep wood on hand.

Council Member Kent Harding-  
Thanked the City of Bethel Public Works Department for keeping the roads clean and the utilities going.  
Stay safe and warm with more cold weather coming.

Council Member Mark Springer-  
Thanked the City of Bethel Public Works Department for keeping the roads clean and the utilities going.  
Kudos and compliments to the K-300 volunteers who make this event successful for the community.  
Stay warm.

Council Member Mary Sattler-  
Thanked the City Manager and Bill Arnold and his crew for their work with the school district and their corridor and trying to get the pipes unthawed.  
Stay safe in this cold weather.

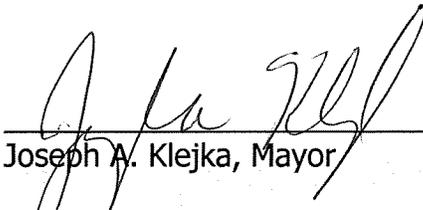
Council Member Eugene Peltola Jr.-  
Thanked the City of Bethel Public Works Department for keeping the roads clean and the utilities going.  
Really enjoyed watching the local races this weekend. Kudos and compliments to the K-300 volunteers who make this event successful for the community.  
Stay warm.

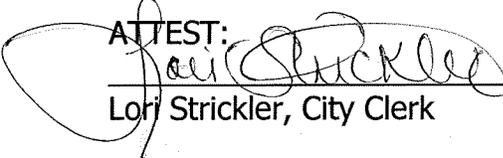
Mayor Joseph Klejka-  
Thanked the City of Bethel Public Works Department for keeping the roads clean and the utilities going.  
Thanked the community members for their hard work during the K-300.  
Appreciate the people who stay in the gallery.

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

**XVI. ADJOURNMENT**

*Council adjourned at 8:15p.*

  
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Joseph A. Klejka, Mayor

ATTEST:  
  
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Lori Strickler, City Clerk