

City of Bethel, Alaska

Public Safety & Transportation Commission

March 7th, 2018

Regular Meeting

Bethel, Alaska

I. CALL TO ORDER

A regular meeting of the Public Safety and Transportation Commission was held on March 7, 2018 in the Bethel City Hall Council Chambers.

This meeting was called to order at 6:32 pm.

II. ROLL CALL

Present: Eileen Henrikson *Chair*
 Jared Karr *Vice Chair*
 Naim Shabani *Council Rep.*
 Mary Weiss
 Joan Dewey
 Monroe Tyler
 Mary Nanuwak *Alternate*

Absent: Julene Webber
 William Howell II *Fire Chief*

Ex-Officio Present: Burke Waldron *Chief of Police*
 Jesslyn McGowan *Recorder*

III. PEOPLE TO BE HEARD

No one to be heard

IV. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

MOVED:	Karr	Motion to move New Business right after Approval of Minutes
SECONDED:	Dewey	
VOTE ON MAIN MOTION	All in favor.	

V. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

MOVED:	Dewey	Motion to approve the minutes from the regular meeting of February 7, 2018
SECONDED:	Weiss	
VOTE ON MAIN MOTION	All in favor.	

VI. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

A. Taxi Cameras

Council Rep. Shabani gave the commission a review of this discussion on what he believes would fix the taxi camera situations that the cabs are having.

MOVED:	Karr	Motion to send a recommend to Council strike out BMC Code 5.30.100 Section F.2
SECONDED:	Weiss	
VOTE ON MAIN MOTION	All in favor.	

B. BMC Codes

Chief Waldron talked about the BMC codes and how they are outdated to today's taxi industry. Recommended to put together a commission to go through the BMC codes and find changes to make to clean up and organize the codes.

MOVED:	Karr	Motion to create a committee to meet to review the Chapter 5 BMC Codes and recommend changes to the commission
SECONDED:	Dewey	
VOTE ON MAIN MOTION	All in favor.	

MOVED:	Karr	Motion to amend wording in last motion and change it to two or less commission members rather than a whole committee
SECONDED:	Dewey	
VOTE ON MAIN MOTION	All in favor.	

VII. NEW BUSINESS

A. Tundra Ridge Re-Alignment

City Manager Pete Williams gave an update on what DOWL and DOT was wanting to do regarding the new road out to Tundra Ridge. He provided a handout showing the options of the roads. He stated nothing was set in stone yet and told everyone how they can go online to make public comments on which road they think would be best suited for Bethel. He also wanted to be put on the next agenda to give another update on this subject.

B. Transportation Planning

City Manager Pete Williams gave an update on the roads regarding Ridgecrest and also in front of the hospital. He provided handouts that are included in the packet and talked about the options they want to do with Ridgecrest and the possible three way stops. He hasn't heard of any new plans regarding the road in front of the hospital since Fall of 2016.

VIII. CHIEF's COMMENTS

Chief Waldron – See Report in Commission Packet

Fire Chief Howell – See Report in Commission Packet

IX. TRANSPORTATION INSPECTOR'S REPORT

See Report in Commission Packet

X. COUNCIL REPRESENTATIVE's COMMENTS

Council Rep Shabani updated the commission on three items from the council meeting that he thinks they should be aware of. The first item was congratulating the Chief of Police on his now permanent position with the police department. The second item was the courthouse will remain in its current building for the next two years and is no longer a worry about if they might lose the building or not. The last item was regarding the ordinance the commission passed to the city council. The council has changed some things on it and tabled the rest of it for the next council meeting.

XI. COMMISSION MEMBER's COMMENTS

Jared Karr- Updated the commission about the City Council meeting he went to and spoke on behalf of the commission regarding the increase on taxi rates. He informed the commission on what the council did with the ordinance and when they'll be talking about it again in a future council meeting.

Joan Dewey- Asked to add to the next agenda, an update with the Chiefs regarding the formal request for Phase II with GCI

Mary Weiss- No comment

Monroe Tyler- No Comment

Mary Nanuwak- Wanted clarification as to what she can and cannot do as an "alternate" member of the commission. Also asked Council Rep. Shabani questions she had regarding taxis.

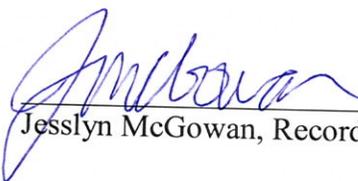
Eileen Henrikson- No comment

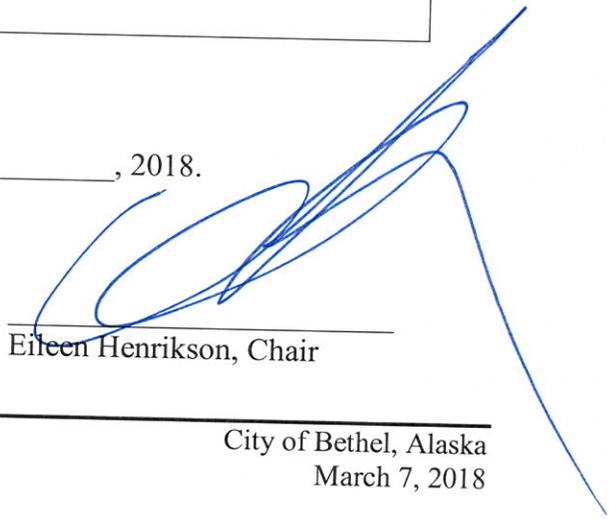
XII. ADJOURNMENT

MOVED:	Weiss	Motion to adjourn.
SECONDED:	Karr	
VOTE ON MAIN MOTION	All in favor.	

Meeting adjourned at 7:44 pm.

APPROVED THIS 4th DAY OF April, 2018.


Jesslyn McGowan, Recorder


Eileen Henrikson, Chair