
City of Bethel, Alaska

Public Safety & Transportation Commission

Date: April 2, 2009

Regular Meeting

Bethel, Alaska

I. CALL TO ORDER

A regular meeting of the Public Safety and Transportation Commission was held on January at 7:00 pm in the Bethel Police Department, Bethel, Alaska.

Chairperson Mark Springer called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm.

II. ROLL CALL

Compromising a quorum of the Commission, the following members were present for roll call:

Mark Springer

Brian Lefferts

Charlie Chung

Pat Jennings

Ex-Officio members present were the following:

Chief Larry Elarton

Records Sharri Salyers

III. PEOPLE TO BE HEARD

Rachel from Kusko Cab Co is still having concerns to the (\$185.00) that she is paying each month for the dispatch fees (BMC) 5.20.160 (A). Rachel did speak to the Finance Committee and found out that she was paying more in sales taxes then she was supposed to, that issue has been fixed, to her question last month, in lieu of sales tax. The issue still remains as to why she has to pay the (\$185.00) a month for her Dispatch fees when no one in the city does anything with the dispatching of the cabs.

Theresa from Kusko Cab Co. advised that she had the same concerns as to the (\$185.00) Fee that is being charged for dispatching. And feels that is needs to be lifted.

IV. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

MOTION TO APPROVE THE AGENDA OF April 2, 2009

MOVED BY:	Lefferts	
SECONDED BY:	Jennings	

Discussion

VOTE ON MOTION	Motion carried by unanimous voice vote.
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V. APPROVAL OF MINUTES FROM THE REGULAR MEETING OF

MOTION TO APPROVE THE MINUTES OF March 5, 2009

MOVED BY:	Jennings	
SECONDED BY:	Lefferts	

Discussion

VOTE ON MOTION	Motion carried by unanimous voice vote.
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VI. CHIEF'S COMMENTS

Police Chief-

A: (CSP) Community Service Patrol- Grant has been signed we are looking to employ three people, Two of which need to be EMT's.

the schedule is set as four days a week ten hour days.

This Grant is good until June 30, 2009

B: Staff- We lost one CSO position this year to budget cuts.

C: Antenna- Is off of the table at this time we can reapply again.

E: Byrne Grant- Is in the Stimulus package we are looking to be getting a 9-1-1 Recorder and training.

F: Animal Control Report- Casey McDonald has volunteered to assist us in trying to find suitable homes for the animals in the pound. We receive calls on a daily bases for dog calls. The CSO has taken over the animal control duties.

VII. TRANSPORTATION INSPECTORS REPORT

A: 16 Inspections of vehicles

B: Two new Chauffeur permits given

C: Three Transfers

D: Five Taxicabs change Dispatch's

VIII. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

IX. NEW BUSINESS

A: Review of BMC 5.20.160

MOTION TO AMEND BMC 5.20.160

MOVED BY:	Lefferts	
SECONDED BY:	Jennings	

Discussion

VOTE ON MOTION	Motion carried by unanimous voice vote.
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MOTION TO CHANGE THE LANGUAGE IN BMC ORDINANCE 5.20.160 A. From BUS, LIMOUSINE, RIVER TAXI, DISPATCH SERVICE, OR TAXICAB TO REGULATED VEHICLES

MOVED BY:	Lefferts	
SECONDED BY:	Jennings	

Discussion

VOTE ON MOTION	Motion carried by unanimous voice vote.
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MOTION TO FORWARD AMENDED BMC ORDINANCE 5.20.160 A. TO CITY COUNCIL

MOVED BY:	Lefferts	
SECONDED BY:	Jennings	

Discussion

VOTE ON MOTION	Motion carried by unanimous voice vote.
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B: Aurora Data Project

MOTION TO TABLE AURORA DATA PROJECT- need more information from the Fire Chief

MOVED BY:	Lefferts	
SECONDED BY:	Jennings	
<i>Discussion</i>		
VOTE ON MOTION	Motion carried by unanimous voice vote.	

X. COMMISSION MEMBER'S COMMENTS

A: Brian Lefferts- Interested in the meeting would like to encourage the Fire Chief to attend the next meeting.

B: Pat Jennings- Speed limit in Subdivisions need to be enforced more would like to see some extra speed limit signs put up.

C: Charlie Chung- Would also like to see speed limit signs up out in tundra ridge and would like to see more enforcement of speeding in that area, there are a lot of cars passing other vehicles there.

D: Mark Springer- Hope we can get this Ordinance more organized.

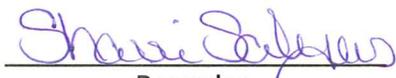
**XI. ADJOURNMENT
MOTION TO ADJOURN**

MOVED BY:	Lefferts	
SECONDED BY:	Jennings	
<i>Discussion</i>		
VOTE ON MOTION	Motion carried by unanimous voice vote.	

Next meeting on Thursday May 7, 2009

Chairperson

ATTEST:


Recorder