
City of Bethel, Alaska

Public Safety & Transportation Commission

May 6, 2002

Regular Meeting

Bethel, Alaska

CALL TO ORDER

A regular meeting of the Public Safety & Transportation Commission was held on May 6, 2002 at 7:00 p.m. in the city hall conference room, Bethel, Alaska.

Chairperson John Hastie called the meeting to order at 7:15 p.m.

ROLL CALL

Comprising a quorum of the commission, the following were present:

John Hastie	Tae Hwa Chung
Jerry Drake	
Don Poe	
Michael Cho	

Ex-Officio members present were the following:

George Dahl, Chief of Police and Taxi Inspector
Andrew Steele, Taxi Technician
Janette Persinger, Recorder

PEOPLE TO BE HEARD

There were no members of the public to be heard.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

MOVED BY:	Drake	To approve the regular agenda.
SECONDED BY:	D. Poe	

VOTE ON MOTION	Motion carried by unanimous vote.
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APPROVAL OF MINUTES

MOVED BY:	Drake	To approve the amended minutes of the regular meeting on April 1, 2002.
SECONDED BY:	D. Poe	

VOTE ON MOTION	Motion carried by unanimous vote.
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CHIEFS' COMMENTS

George Dahl, Chief of Police, announced that Howard A. Morris from Tennessee has been given a conditional offer of employment for the position of chief of police. Pending the background investigation – Mr. Morris will begin his employment on June 17, 2002.

TRANSPORTATION INSPECTORS REPORT

Nothing to report at this time.

TRANSPORTATION TECHNICIAN'S REPORT

Andrew Steele, Transportation Technician, requested that the Commission review ordinance 01-02 section 5.20.080 – (D) 9 – headlight requirement. Brought to the commission's attention by Andrew, the cab industry has been under the impression that this section ordinance will not be enforced by law enforcement. The commission concurred that this section shall be enforced. Andrew will notify the owners of each cab company and Chief Dahl will notify the officers to enforce this section of the ordinance.

A. OLD BUSINESS

There were no items to be discussed under Old Business.

B. NEW BUSINESS

A. ORDINANCE #02-09

MOVED BY:	Drake	To strike last sentence under 2.52.025 (purpose) and request clarification between corporate or llc, individuals, etc. and how they will be dealt with.
SECONDED BY:	D. Poe	

Discussion ensued regarding the proposed ordinance. Concerns were raised over the language of and the lack of clear of definition by the ordinance.

VOTE ON MOTION	Motion carried unanimously.
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B. BETHEL POLICE DEPARTMENT'S 2003 FY BUDGET

George Dahl presented the police department's budget. He explained that the city manager and finance director have already reviewed the budget. Fifteen percent of the budget was removed by the city manager. He further explained the cutting of positions and gave an explanation of the proposed Community Service Officer positions. He informed the Commission that it is the City Council's intention to cut the police department's budget an additional 2.5 percent.

MOVED BY:	D. Poe	To direct the city manager to present a zero budget to the city council.
SECONDED BY:	Chung	

VOTE ON MOTION	Motion carried by a unanimous voice vote
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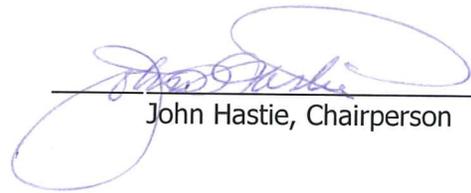
ADJOURNMENT

MOVED BY:	Drake	To adjourn the meeting.
SECONDED BY:	Chung	

VOTE ON MOTION	Motion carried by a unanimous vote.
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With no further business before the Commission, the meeting was adjourned at 8:35 pm,
May 6, 2002.

Approved this 5th day of August, 2002.



John Hastie, Chairperson

ATTEST:



Janette Persinger, Recorder