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# City of Bethel, Alaska

## Public Safety & Transportation Commission

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June 4<sup>th</sup>, 2013

Regular Meeting

Bethel, Alaska

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### I. CALL TO ORDER

A regular meeting of the Public Safety and Transportation Commission was held on June 4<sup>th</sup>, 2013 in the Bethel City Hall Council Chambers.

This meeting was called to order at 7:00PM

### II. ROLL CALL

Present: Brian Lefferts *Chair*  
 Pat Jennings  
 Joe Yoon  
 Johnny Furlong  
 Sharon Sigmon *Council Member*  
 Joan Dewey  
 Jennifer Dobson

Excused Absent: Paul Gregory

Ex-Officio Present: Laurance Elarton *Chief of Police*  
 George Young *Fire Chief*  
 KaJena Baty *Recorder and Transportation Inspector Designee*

### III. PEOPLE TO BE HEARD

Naim Sabani- *Spoke in favor of setting a minimum for cab fares.*

### IV. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

<b>MOVED:</b>	Jennings	Motion to approve the agenda.
<b>SECONDED:</b>	Dobson	
<b>VOTE ON MAIN MOTION</b>	All in favor	

### V. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

<b>MOVED:</b>	Furlong	Motion to approve the minutes of May 7th, 2013.
<b>SECONDED:</b>	Yoon	
<b>VOTE ON MAIN MOTION</b>	All in favor	

**VI. CHIEFS' COMMENTS**

George Young Fire Chief- See Chief's Monthly Report to City Manager  
Larry Elarton Police Chief- See Chief's Monthly Report to City Manager

**VII. TRANSPORTATION INSPECTOR REPORT**

KaJena Baty- *Quyana Cab Company had their inspections in May. The Chauffeur's test has been rewritten in Korean to accommodate applicants who do not speak English very well. Taxi Cab Company lowered their fares by two dollars in celebration of their anniversary date. A minimum fare is not established in the Bethel Municipal Code. Our required second annual public hearing on the quality of cab services will be held in August.*

**VIII. COUNCIL MEMBER'S COMMENTS**

Council Member Sigmon- *The last Council Meeting was very short. The City Attorney is still working on some ordinances that will involve Public Safety and Transportation.*

**IX. SPECIAL ITEM OF BUSINESS**

**A. Election of Vice Chair Due to Vacancy**

<b>MOVED:</b>	Yoon	Motion to elect Johnny Furlong as the Vice Chair of the Public Safety and Transportation Commission.
<b>SECONDED:</b>	Furlong	
<b>VOTE ON MAIN MOTION</b>	All in favor.	

**B. Vacancy of the Seat of Paul Gregory**

<b>MOVED:</b>	Jennings	Motion to accept letter of resignation from Paul Gregory.
<b>SECONDED:</b>	Sigmon	
<b>VOTE ON MAIN MOTION</b>	All in favor.	

**X. UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

*No Items*

**XI. NEW BUSINESS**

**A. Discussion of Cab Complaints Made in the Last Six Months**

<b>MOVED:</b>	Furlong	Motion to discuss cab complaints made in the last six months.
<b>SECONDED:</b>	Dobson	
<b>VOTE ON MAIN MOTION</b>	All in favor.	

**B. Discussion of Police Protocols Regarding Reports of Animal Cruelty, Neglect, and What Constitutes Those Charges.**

<b>MOVED:</b>	Dobson	Motion to discuss police protocols regarding reports of animal cruelty, neglect, and what constitutes those charges.
<b>SECONDED:</b>	Furlong	
<b>VOTE ON MAIN MOTION</b>	All in favor.	

**I. COMMISSION MEMBER COMMENTS**

Pat Jennings- *Would like an updated Commission contact list at the next meeting.*  
 Johnny Furlong- *No comment.*  
 Brian Lefferts- *No comment.*  
 Joe Yoon- *Appreciates the cab complaint list made for the Public Safety and Transportation Commission.*  
 Sharon Sigmon- *Appreciates the concerns and the information on the topics that were discussed.*  
 Paul Gregory- *Not present*  
 Joan Dewey- *Excited for a tour of the building.*  
 Jennifer Dobson- *Appreciated the opportunity to review the Animal Related sections of the BMC.*

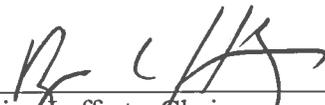
**II. ADJOURNMENT**

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

*Meeting adjourned at 8:40pm*

APPROVED THIS 2<sup>nd</sup> DAY OF July, 2013.

  
 KaJena Baty, Recorder

  
 Brian Lefferts, Chair