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# City of Bethel, Alaska

## Public Safety & Transportation Commission

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June 11, 2007

Regular Meeting

Bethel, Alaska

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### I. CALL TO ORDER

A regular meeting of the Public Safety and Transportation Commission held on June 11, 2007 at 7:00 pm in the Log Cabin, Bethel, Alaska.

Vice Chair, Brian Lefferts called the meeting to order at 7:13.

### II. ROLL CALL

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

Brian Lefferts

Charlie Chung

Eric Middlebrook

Mark Miller

Mark Springer arrived after roll call

Unexcused

John Hastie

### Ex-Officio members present were the following:

Lt. Andre Achee (Acting Chief)

Administrative Assistant Lori Strickler

### III. PEOPLE TO BE HEARD

#### A. Eddie Hwang

a. When will the cab fare go up?

b. Can chauffeurs move to different dispatch services?

#### B. Theresa Broeckel

a. As the BMC is currently written cab owners must give a 30-day notice for insurance cancellation. I sold my permit and tried to cancel my insurance however the insurance company would not cancel my existing policy for 30 days, the vehicle was not being driven as a cab so that higher rate of insurance should be reimbursed.

### IV. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

#### MOTION TO APPROVE THE AGENDA OF JUNE 11, 2007

<b>MOVED BY:</b>	Middlebrook	
<b>SECONDED BY:</b>	Chung	

*Discussion*

<b>VOTE ON MOTION</b>	Motion carried by unanimous voice vote.
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### V. APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES OF MAY 11, 2007

<b>MOVED BY:</b>	Middlebrook	
<b>SECONDED BY:</b>	Chung	

*Discussion*

<b>VOTE ON MOTION</b>	Motion carried by unanimous voice vote.
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**VI. CHIEF'S COMMENTS**

- A. Fatal accident at the city docks this morning
- B. Staffing issues
  - a. Losing two officers at the end of this month, Chief and Lt. will be back onto full time patrol.
  - b. Two additional officers are testing for the troopers
  - c. Another Police Officers is testing for Fairbanks Police Department
  - d. Two others plan to be gone before the winter because the cost of living is too high.
  - e. If all of these individuals do leave, the Police Department would only have three officers.
- C. Lt. will be taking some recommendations to Council, these recommendations will help with recruitment and retaining officers.
  - a. Housing allowance for Officers
  - b. 20% increase for Officer salaries
- D. Chief has been conducting interviews however because the Bethel Police Department is not offering competitive salaries and benefits other departments in the state are acquiring the qualified candidates.

**VIII. TRANSPORTATION INSPECTOR REPORT**

- A. Since the last meeting four new chauffeurs have received their chauffeurs license
- B. I have been approached by many people from the cab industry who are displeased with the vehicle transfer chapter in the BMC.

**UNFINISHED BUSINES**

- A. State of Alaska Pandemic Influenza Multi-Agency Coordination Group
- B. Permit Transfer

**MOTION TO SUSPEND THE RULES TO ALLOW JOE YOON TO SPEAK**

<b>MOVED BY:</b>	Middlebrook	
<b>SECONDED BY:</b>	Chung	

**MOTION TO FORWARD TO CITY COUNCIL**

<b>MOVED BY:</b>	Chung	
<b>SECONDED BY:</b>	Middlebrook	

*Discussion:*

<b>VOTE ON MOTION</b>	Motion carried by unanimous voice vote.
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**C. CHAUFFEUR LICENSE AND VEHICLE PERMIT RENEWAL**

**MOVE TO BREAK FOR 10 MINUTES**

<b>MOVED BY:</b>	Middlebrook	
<b>SECONDED BY:</b>	Lefferts	

*Discussion:*

<b>VOTE ON MOTION</b>	Motion carried by unanimous voice vote.
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**D. TRIP SHEETS  
MOTION TO ADOPT THE RECOMENDATION B**

<b>MOVED BY:</b>	Springer	
<b>SECONDED BY:</b>	Miller	

**MOVE TO AMEND THE MOTION**

<b>MOVED BY:</b>	Springer	Under recommendation B; add section F. Any records requested shall be considered proprietary business information for six (6) months.
<b>SECONDED BY:</b>	Miller	

*Discussion:*

<b>VOTE ON MOTION</b>	Motion carried; Charlie Chung was opposed
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**MOTION TO FORWARD RECOMMENDATION B TO COUNCIL**

<b>MOVED BY:</b>	Springer	
<b>SECONDED BY:</b>		

*Discussion:*

<b>VOTE ON MOTION</b>	Motion failed, lack of a second
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**MOTION TO ADOPT VERSION A**

<b>MOVED BY:</b>	Middlebrook	With amendments/grammatical errors.
<b>SECONDED BY:</b>	Springer	

*Discussion:*

<b>VOTE ON MOTION</b>	Motion Carried
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**E. BUSINESS LICENSE**

**MOTION TO ADOPT AN ORDINANCE SUPPORTING THE CHANGE IN LANGUAGE UNDER BMC 1.20.150 REGARDING BUSINESS LICENCES**

**MOTION TO TABLE THE DISCUSSION ON BUSINESS LICENSE FOR CHAUFFEUR AND PERMIT APPLICANTS UNTIL THE NEXT MEETING**

<b>MOVED BY:</b>	Springer	
<b>SECONDED BY:</b>	Middlebrook	

*Discussion:*

<b>VOTE ON MOTION</b>	Motion Carried
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**D. PEDISTRIAN SAFETY ISSUES**

**MOTION TO ADOPT THE RECOMMENDATION TO THE COUNCIL AND OTHER COMMISSIONS AND COMMITTEES REGARDING PEDESTRIAN SAFETY**

<b>MOVED BY:</b>	Middlebrook	
<b>SECONDED BY:</b>	Chung	

*Discussion:*

<b>VOTE ON MOTION</b>	Motion Carried
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**MOTION TO FORWARD THE RECOMMENDATION REGARDING PEDESTRIAN SAFETY TO THE COUNCIL AND OTHER COMMISSION AND COMMITTEES**

<b>VOTE ON MOTION</b>	All in favor; motion carries
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**VI. NEW BUSINESS**

**A. MAXIMUM RATES FOR TAXI FARES**

**MOTION TO CONSIDER MAXIMUM AND MINIMUM FARES FOR TAXI FARES**

<b>MOVED BY:</b>	Middlebrook	
<b>SECONDED BY:</b>	Springer	

*Discussion:*

<b>VOTE ON MOTION</b>	Motion Carried
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**B. VEHICLE INSURANCE FOR TAXI CABS**

**MOTION TO DISCUSS VEHICLE TRANSFER FOR TAXI CABS**

**MOTION TO SUSPEND THE RULES TO ALLOW THERESA BROECKEL TO SPEAK**

<b>MOVED BY:</b>	Middlebrook	
<b>SECONDED BY:</b>	Springer	

- a. Send to the City Attorney for review

**VII. COMMISSION MEMBER'S COMMENTS**

**A. ERIC MIDDLEBROOK**

- a. Glad the Commission is getting things done

**B. MARK MILLER**

- a. Happy about the calcium chloride being spread on the city streets, it is effective in controlling the dust.

**C. MARK SPRINGER**

- a. Second the comments on calcium chloride, it seems to also be helping the wash board roads
- b. Thank you to the EMTs and Officers who helped with the accident this morning.
- c. Heard that the Bike Rodeo went well

**D. CHARLIE CHUNG**

- a. Thanks to Lori for her hard work on the Resolutions and Ordinances
- b. I wish like the City Council's meetings, ours had a time limit, three hours is too much.

**E. BRIAN LEFFERTS**

- a. Second Charlie's comment, Lori put a lot of work into the Resolutions and Ordinances.

b. I would like to commend Mark Springer, it is not easy to run a meeting.

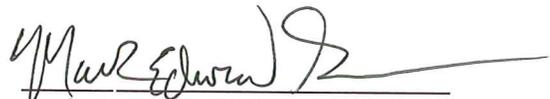
**MOTION TO ADJOURN**

<b>MOVED BY:</b>	Springer	
<b>SECONDED BY:</b>	Chung	

*Discussion*

<b>VOTE ON MOTION</b>	Motion carried by unanimous voice vote.
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Next meeting on Monday June 11, 2007

  
Mark Springer, Chairperson

ATTEST:

  
Lori Strickler, Recorder