
City of Bethel, Alaska

Public Works Committee Minutes

July 15, 2003

Regular Meeting

Bethel, Alaska

CALL TO ORDER

A regular meeting of the Public Works Committee was held on July 15, 2003, at 12:00 p.m. at the City Shop Conference room, Bethel, Alaska.

Acting Chair Kevin Murphy called the meeting to order at 12:05 p.m.

ROLL CALL

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

Andrew McGowan	Jeff Sanders
Kevin Murphy	Dave Trantham

Excused absence(s): M. Shantz

Unexcused absence(s): V. Malone, P. O'Brien

Also in attendance were the following:

Clair Grifka, Public Works Director
Sandra Moseley, Recorder of Minutes, Administration Assistant
John Malone, City Planner
Luanne Cutler, City Attorney (Telephonic)

PEOPLE TO BE HEARD

There were no members of the public to be heard.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

MOVED BY:	A. McGowan	To approve the minutes of the June 17, 2003 regular meeting with adjustment.
SECONDED BY:	D. Trantham	

VOTE ON MOTION	Motion carried by unanimous voice vote.
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APPROVAL OF AGENDA

MOVED BY:	D. Trantham	To approve the agenda
SECONDED BY:	J. Sanders	

VOTE ON MOTION	Motion carried by unanimous voice vote.
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UNFINISHED BUSINESS

None at this time

NEW BUSINESS

Item A – Discussion item – Utility Driver turnover rate.

Discussion and questions from the Committee ensued. One suggestion from Committee member D. Trantham was to make a note to increase the wearing apparel allowance for the drivers in next years budget.

Item B – Discussion item – Public Works Enterprise and General Fund Departments

Discussion and questions from the Committee ensued. Committee member D. Trantham explained that he would like to see a Utility Commission and a Public Works Committee. The Public Works Committee handles and recommends on activities in the general fund along with the utilities enterprise fund presently.

Ms. Luanne Cutler that she would check into an ordinance and that the collective barging agreement would have to be considered.

MEMBER COMMENTS

Member J. Sanders stated that he would like to have as an agenda item for a meeting regarding the hauled water and sewer and how can we shorten the haul distance to cut down on maintenance costs.

Member A. McGowan stated he had no comment at this time.

Member K. Murphy asked about the sheepsfoot compactor and gravel for the Senior Centers parking lot. He also inquired about when the evacuation trucks would be in.

Member D. Trantham asked if the main lift station would be broke down in segments and piece mealed out. He also stated that the citizens are concerned about dust when they start to haul sand to for the pad at the Peoples Learning Center.

Mr. Malone stated that all sites are to be protected from the dust blowing. This includes this site and large sites.

ADJOURNMENT

MOVED BY:	A. McGowan	To adjourn the meeting at 2:30PM
SECONDED BY:	J. Sanders	

VOTE ON MOTION	Motion carried by unanimous voice vote.
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With no further business before the Committee, the meeting adjourned at 2:30 pm.

APPROVED THIS ___ day of August 2003.

Paul O'Brien, Chair

ATTEST:

Sandra Moseley, Recorder