

**I. CALL TO ORDER**

A Regular Meeting of the Bethel City Council was held on January 14, 2014 at 6:30pm, in the council chambers, Bethel, Alaska.

Mayor Klejka called the meeting to order at 6:30 pm.

**II. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

**III. ROLL CALL**

Comprising a quorum of the Council, the following members were present:

Council Member Joseph Klejka, Council Member Rick Robb, Council Member Eric Whitney, Council Member Sharon Sigmon, Council Member Leif Albertson, Council Member Mark Springer arrived after roll call at 6:41p.

Members Absent were:  
Council Member Heather Pike

Also in attendance were the following:  
City Manager Lee Foley, City Attorney Patty Burley, Ronda Sargent Acting Clerk

**IV. PEOPLE TO BE HEARD**

Dave Trantham-representing the territorial guard cemetery park planning group-Calista donated 80 tons of gravel for the park. Get familiar with House bill 77. Water rights think about installing meters to better control the billing of the utility.

**V. APPROVAL OF THE CONSENT AND REGULAR AGENDA**

**Main Motion:** To approve the Consent and Regular Agenda.

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Moved by:	Robb
Seconded by:	Sigmon
Action:	Motion carried unanimously by a vote of 6-0
In favor:	Klejka, Springer, Robb, Whitney, Sigmon and Albertson
Opposed:	None

**Removal from  
Consent Agenda**

Remove the Introduction of Ordinance 14-01, 14-2, and Resolutions 14-01 and 14-02 from the Consent Agenda.

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Moved by: | Robb

**VI. APPROVAL OF THE MEETING MINUTES**

**Item A-** December 10, 2013 City Council Special Meeting Minutes.  
*Passed on the Consent Agenda.*

**Item B-** December 10, 2013 City Council Regular Meeting Minutes.  
*Passed on the Consent Agenda.*

**Item C-** January 2, 2014 Special City Council Meeting  
*Passed on the Consent Agenda.*

**VII. REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES**

**Item A-** Port Commission –  
Port Director, Pete Williams- A meeting of the Commission was not held due to a lack of a quorum. The Southside ramp at the small boat harbor passed inspection and construction will proceed on the North Side.

**Item B-** Planning Commission –  
Planning Director, Rachael Pitts - A meeting of the Commission was not held due to a lack of a quorum. At their next meeting, the Commission will be looking at some plats.

**Item C-**Public Safety and Transportation Commission-  
Council Representative Sharon Sigmon- - A meeting of the Commission was not held due to a lack of a quorum.

**Item D-**Energy Committee –  
Council Representative, Rick Robb- A meeting of the Commission was not held due to a lack of a quorum.

**Item E-**Public Works Committee-  
Council Representative, Joseph Klejka- Bill Arnold is not the Acting Public Works Direction. The Committee is looking into options for metering water.

**Item F-** Finance Committee-  
Committee Representative, Leif Albertson – The delinquent business list for the businesses that are not up to date on their sales tax. The

Committee will consider a recommendation to the Council to start implementing a sales tax exemption card for local businesses.

**Item G-** Parks and Receptions Committee-  
Council Representative, Eric Whitney- The Committee is considering presenting an ordinance to the Council to prevent smoking in public parks.

### **VIII. SPECIAL ORDER OF BUSINESS**

**Item A-** City Of Bethel Fiscal Year 2013 Financial Statements And Audit Presentation Follow Up With Michelle Drew, BDO Auditing Firm.

**Item B-** Update From Alaska Fish And Game On The Bethel Subsistence Harvest Survey.

**Item C-** Eva Malvich, Chair For The Bethel Winter House/Shelter, Requesting Assistance From The Council For Potential Use Of The PATC Building Once The Facility Is Vacated.

**Item D-** Eli Jacobson, Division Of Community And Regional Affairs, To Present What A RUBA Assessment Is And Why A RUBA Assessment Is Important To The City, Responding To A Potential Request From The City For A Formal RUBA Assessment.

### **IX. UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

### **X. NEW BUSINESS**

**Item A – Introduction Of Ordinance 14:01:** Property Disposal For Lease, Office And Work Space Within The City's Dog Pound.

**Main Motion:** To introduce Ordinance 14-01.

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Moved by:	Albertson
Seconded by:	Springer
Action:	Motion failed by a vote of 1-5
In favor:	Albertson
Opposed:	Klejka, Springer, Robb, Whitney and Sigmon

**Item B- Introduction Of Ordinance 14-02:** Amending The Official City Land Use Map Dated July 10, 1990 Pursuant To Section 18.76 Of The Bethel Municipal Code - Zoning Kasayuli Subdivision as Residential Planned Unit Development.

**Main Motion:** To introduce Ordinance 14-02.

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Moved by: Springer  
Seconded by: Sigmon  
Action: Ordinance Postponed.

**Primary Amendment #1:** Suspend rules to hear from Rachael Pitts, Planning Director.

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Moved by: Robb  
Seconded by: Springer  
Action: Motion carried unanimously by a vote of 6-0  
In favor: Klejka, Springer, Robb, Whitney, Sigmon and Albertson  
Opposed: None

**Subsidiary Motion:** Postpone until the next regular meeting.

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Moved by: Springer  
Seconded by: Robb  
Action: Motion carried by a vote of 5-1  
In favor: Klejka, Springer, Robb, Sigmon and Albertson  
Opposed: Whitney

**Subsidiary Motion:** Take a ten minute break.

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Moved by: Robb  
Seconded by: Whitney  
Action: Motion carried unanimously by a vote of 6-0  
In favor: Klejka, Springer, Robb, Whitney, Sigmon and Albertson  
Opposed: None

**Item C- Introduction Of Ordinance 14-03:** Amending The Official City Land Use Code Dated July 10, 1990 Pursuant To Section 18.76 Of The Bethel Municipal Code – Zoning Tsikoyuk (Larson) Subdivision Residential Planned Unit Development.

**Subsidiary Motion:** Postpone until the next regular meeting.

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Moved by: Springer  
Seconded by: Sigmon  
Action: Motion carried unanimously by a vote of 6-0  
In favor: Klejka, Springer, Robb, Whitney, Sigmon and Albertson  
Opposed: None

**Item D- Resolution 14-01:** Expressing Strong Support For Governor Parnell's Proposal To Appropriate \$3 Billion From The Constitutional Budget Reserve Into The Alaska Retirement Trust Funds In 2015.

**Main Motion:** To adopt Resolution 14-01.

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Moved by:	Springer
Seconded by:	Robb
Action:	Motion carried unanimously by a vote of 6-0
In favor:	Klejka, Springer, Robb, Whitney, Sigmon and Albertson
Opposed:	None

**Item E- Resolution 14-02:** Supporting The Alaska Grid Project.

**Main Motion:** To adopt Resolution 14-02.

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Moved by:	Whitney
Seconded by:	Springer
Action:	Motion carried unanimously by a vote of 6-0
In favor:	Klejka, Springer, Robb, Whitney, Sigmon and Albertson
Opposed:	None

**Primary Amendment #1:** To strike the third whereas statement.

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Moved by:	Springer
Seconded by:	Sigmon
Action:	Motion carried unanimously by a vote of 5-1
In favor:	Klejka, Springer, Whitney, Sigmon and Albertson
Opposed:	Robb

**Item F- Resolution 14-03:** Certifying That The Municipality Did Suffer Significant Effects During The Program Base Year From Fisheries Business Activities That Occurred within The Bethel Fishers Management Area And Wishes To Apply For Funding Under The FY14 Shared Fisheries Business Tax Program.

*Passed on the consent agenda.*

**Item G- AM 14-01:** Appointment Of Jon Cochrane To The Finance Committee.

*Passed on the consent agenda.*

**Item H- AM 14-02:** Reappointment Of David Trantham To The Finance Committee.

*Passed on the consent agenda.*

**Item I-** AM 14-03: City Attorney Administrative Leave For Travel And Training January 30 and 31, 2014.  
*Passed on the consent agenda.*

**Item J-** AM 14-04: Directing Administration To Identify Three Options To Connect Chief Eddie Hoffman Highway With Ptarmigan Street And To Provide To Council, A Map Of The Three Options, Construction Costs For Each, And Any Pros And/or Cons For Each Road.

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**Main Motion:** Approve AM 14-04.

Moved by:	Whitney
Seconded by:	Springer
Action:	Motion carried unanimously by a vote of 6-0
In favor:	Klejka, Springer, Robb, Whitney, Sigmon and Albertson
Opposed:	None

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**Amendment 1:** Change the checked boxes to show the funds are budgeted for.

Moved by:	Springer
Seconded by:	Sigmon
Action:	Motion carried unanimously by a vote of 6-0
In favor:	Klejka, Springer, Robb, Whitney, Sigmon and Albertson
Opposed:	None

**Item K-** AM 14-05: Reappointment Of Joy Shantz To The Planning Commission.  
*Passed on the consent agenda.*

**Item L-** AM 14-06: Directing Administration To Research The Cost To Purchase And Install Water Metering For Hauled And Piped Users As Well As The Ongoing Costs Associated With Reading Meters; Explore The Cost And Benefits Of An Electronic Metering System For Piped Water Users.

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**Main Motion:** Approve AM 14-07.

Moved by:	Springer
Seconded by:	Sigmon
Action:	Motion carried unanimously by a vote of 6-0
In favor:	Klejka, Springer, Robb, Whitney, Sigmon and Albertson
Opposed:	None

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**Amendment 1:** Change the checked boxes to show the funds are budgeted for.

Moved by:	Springer
Seconded by:	Whitney
Action:	Motion carried unanimously by a vote of 6-0

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In favor:	Klejka, Springer, Robb, Whitney, Sigmon and Albertson
Opposed:	None

**Item M-** AM 14-07: Direct Administration To Determine An Approximate Overall Cost For A New Code Enforcement Position Within The City And Make Recommendations On The Best Way To Implement This Position.

**Main Motion:** Approve AM 14-07.

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Moved by:	Springer
Seconded by:	Sigmon
Action:	Motion failed by a vote of 3-3
In favor:	Klejka, Sigmon and Albertson
Opposed:	Springer, Robb and Whitney

**Item N-** AM 14-08: Reappointment Of Margaret Revet To The Parks And Recreation Committee.

*Passed on the consent agenda.*

**Item O-** Directing Administration To Draft A Lease Between The City Of Bethel And The State Of Alaska Department Of Transportation For The Use Of The City Owned Sand Pit.

## **XII. MAYOR'S REPORT**

## **XIII. MANAGERS REPORT**

<b>Straw Vote:</b>	Direct the City Manager to put an at least 3" number identifier on every city owned vehicles.
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Moved by:	Springer
Seconded by:	Sigmon
Action:	Motion carried unanimously by a vote of 6-0
In favor:	Klejka, Springer, Robb, Whitney, Sigmon and Albertson
Opposed:	None

## **XIV. CITY CLERK'S REPORT**

## **XV. COUNCIL MEMBER COMMENTS**

Vice-Mayor Robb-  
Looking forward to the K300, and thanked all of the volunteers.  
Appreciated the assistance provided to the Bethel Winter House from the number of volunteers. On January 29<sup>th</sup> there will be a point in time survey

completed to determine the number of people within the community who are considered homeless.

Council Member Sigmon-

Thanked the water and sewer drivers for their hard work.

Also appreciated all of the sanding and care the Public Works Department has been providing to the roads.

Council Member Whitney-

No comment.

Mayor Joseph Klejka-

Thanked the Bethel Volunteer Fire and EMTs for the donation of the New Years Eve fireworks.

Thanked

Appreciated the assistance provided to the Bethel Winter House from the number of volunteers

Council Member Albertson-

Thanked Ronda Sargent and the staff at YKHC for providing reflective tape to the community members.

Council Member Springer-

Reiterated the statements of Vice-Mayor Robb with the regard to the assistance provided to the Bethel Winter House.

## **XVI. EXECUTIVE SESSION**

**Item A-** Alaska Statutes 44.62.310 (c) (1): Matters, The Immediate Knowledge Of Which Would Clearly Have An Adverse Effect Upon The Finances Of The Public Entity-City Of Bethel, Collective Bargaining Agreement And Discussion Of Negotiation Actions.

**Item B-** Executive Session Per Alaska Statutes 44.62.310 C. 1. To Discuss (1) Matters, The Immediate Knowledge Of Which Would Clearly Have An Adverse Effect Upon The Finances Of The Public Entity-Contracts And Personnel Management.

**Item C-** Executive Session To Discuss The Annual Evaluation Of The City Manager As Per Alaska Statutes 44.62.310: Personnel Matters (Unless the Person Has Requested To Have The Subjects Discussed In Public) Or Subjects That Tend To Prejudice The Reputation And Character Of A Person.

**Subsidiary**

**Motion:** To extend the meeting past 11:00pm.

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Moved by: Springer  
Seconded by: Sigmon  
Action: Motion carried by a vote of 4-2  
In favor: Springer, Robb, Whitney, Sigmon and  
Opposed: Klejka, Albertson

Move into Executive Session to discuss:

Alaska Statutes 44.62.310 (c) (1): Matters, The Immediate Knowledge Of Which Would Clearly Have An Adverse Effect Upon The Finances Of The Public Entity-City Of Bethel, Collective Bargaining Agreement And Discussion Of Negotiation Actions. Individuals participating in this discussion will be City Attorney Burley and City Manager Foley.

Per Alaska Statutes 44.62.310 C. 1. To Discuss (1) Matters, The Immediate Knowledge Of Which Would Clearly Have An Adverse Effect Upon The Finances Of The Public Entity-Contracts And Personnel Management. Individuals participating in this discussion will be City Attorney Burley and City Manager Foley.

The Annual Evaluation Of The City Manager As Per Alaska Statutes 44.62.310: Personnel Matters (Unless the Person Has Requested To Have The Subjects Discussed In Public) Or Subjects That Tend To Prejudice The Reputation And Character Of A Person. Individuals participating in this discussion will be City Manager Foley.

**Main Motion:** City Manager Foley.

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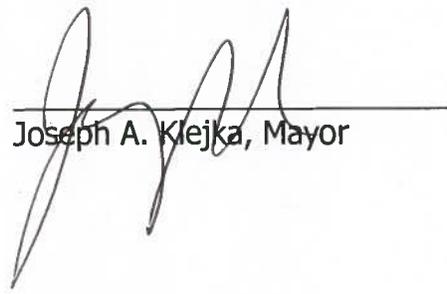
Moved by: Springer  
Seconded by: Sigmon  
Action: Motion carried unanimously by a vote of 6-0  
In favor: Klejka, Springer, Robb, Whitney, Sigmon and Albertson  
Opposed: None

**XVII. ADJOURNMENT**

**Main Motion: Adjournment**

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Moved by: Springer  
Seconded by: Sigmon  
Action: Motion carried unanimously by a vote of 6-0  
In favor: Klejka, Springer, Robb, Whitney, Sigmon and Albertson  
Opposed: None



Joseph A. Klejka, Mayor

ATTEST:

Ronda A Sargent  
Ronda Sargent, Parks and Recreation Director