City Council Meeting
City of Bethel, Alaska
Regular Meeting
October 14, 2014

I. CALL TO ORDER

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

Vice-Mayor Robb 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:

Vice-Mayor Rick Robb, Council Member Leif Albertson, Council Member Sharon Sigmon, Council Member Eric Whitney, Council Member Mark Springer, and Council Member Heather Pike (arrived after roll call, participated telephonically)

Those absent were:
Mayor Joseph Klejka

Also in attendance were the following:
City Clerk Lori Strickler, and City Attorney Patty Burley

IV. PEOPLE TO BE HEARD

Beverly Hoffman- As a representative of the Kuimarvic Board spoke in opposition to the Council's decision to increase the pool fees by 20% at their Special City Council Meeting.

Tom Mculson – As an employee of the City of Bethel in the Vehicles and Equipment Department, there is a concern with the hauled utilities trucks, the department is facing a lot of issues finding parts for these trucks which have been discontinued. It is going to be more and more difficult to have trucks on the road.

Eric Middlebrook- Thanked all of the outgoing Council Members for their service to this community. Provided congratulations to the new Council Members, you will be facing some challenges you never thought possible. Agreed with the statements provided by

Tom McCulson regarding the fleet, the City must pay close attention to the fleet replacement fund.
With regard to the Action Memorandum for the Request for Proposal, wanted to provide his support to the City's current Lobbyist, Paul Richards. He has represented the City for a very long time and has done a really good job for the City during his service.

Council Member Pike joined the meeting via telephone.

V. APPROVAL OF THE CONSENT AND REGULAR AGENDA

Main Motion:	To approve the Consent and Regular Agenda.
Moved by:	Springer
Seconded by:	Whitney
Action:	Motion carried unanimously by a vote of 6-0
In favor:	Robb, Whitney, Sigmon, Albertson, Pike, and Springer
Opposed:	None

Remove from the Consent Agenda:	Introduction 14-14 (f) and Resolution 14-14 from the consent agenda.
Moved by:	Robb

VI. APPROVAL OF THE MEETING MINUTES

Item A - 9-23-2014 Regular City Council Meeting.
Passed on the consent agenda.

Item B - 10-2-2014 Special City Council Meeting

Main Motion:	Approve the Meeting Minutes from October 2, 2014.
Moved by:	Albertson
Seconded by:	Springer
Action:	Motion carried unanimously by a vote of 6-0
In favor:	Robb, Whitney, Sigmon, Albertson, Pike, and Springer
Opposed:	None

VII. REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES

Item A - Port Commission –
Mark Springer, Council Representative-
A meeting has not been held since the last City Council meeting.

Item B - Planning Commission –
Heather Pike, Council Representative-
No report to provide.

Item C - Public Safety and Transportation Commission-
Sharon Sigmon, Council Representative-
A quorum was not established, no meeting was held.

Item D - Energy Committee –
Richard Robb, Committee Representative-

Item E - Public Works Committee-
No one available to provide the report.

Item F - Finance Committee-
Hansel Mathlaw, Finance Director –
Discussed a sales tax protest of a decision made by the Finance Director regarding a vendor's requirement to pay sales tax on purchases.

Item G - Parks and Recreations Committee-
Eric Whitney, Council Representative-
Trails Recommendations were considered.
A great deal of vandalism has been occurring at the Parks and Recreation Department taking up a lot of the department time.
Considered a mini-grant from Wells Fargo.

VIII. SPECIAL BUSINESS

Item A - Review Canvass Board Certificate Of Election.

Item B – Resolution 14-13: A Resolution Certifying The Results Of The October 7, 2014 Regular City Of Bethel Election.

Main Motion:	To approve Resolution 14-13.
Moved by:	Whitney
Seconded by:	Springer
Action:	Motion carried unanimously by a vote of 6-0
In favor:	Robb, Whitney, Sigmon, Albertson, Pike and Springer
Opposed:	None

Item C – Oath Administered To Newly Elected Council Members.

Zach Fansler, Chuck Herman, and Byron Maczynski were administered their oath of office and took their place on the council bench.

Standing Council Members are:
Richard Robb
Mark Springer
Heather Pike
Leif Albertson
Chuck Herman
Zach Fansler
Byron Maczynski

IX. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Item A – Public Hearing Of Ordinance 14-26: Approving The Disposal Of City Property In The Form Of A Lease Agreement With Alaska Village Electric Cooperative For The Temporary Placement Of A Tower And Wind Measuring Devices For The Purpose Of Evaluating The Site For Permanent Wind Turbine Installation.

Subsidiary Motion:	Postpone indefinitely.
Moved by:	Springer
Seconded by:	Albertson
Action:	Motion carried unanimously by a vote of 7-0
In favor:	Robb, Maczynski, Fansler, Albertson, Pike, Herman and Springer
Opposed:	None

X. NEW BUSINESS

Item A – Introduction Of Budget Ordinance 14-14 (f): Modifying The FY15 Budget For The Operation Of The Yukon Kuskokwim Health And Training Center.

Main Motion:	To introduction Budget Ordinance 14-14 (f).
Moved by:	Springer
Seconded by:	Pike
Action:	Motion carried unanimously by a vote of 7-0
In favor:	Robb, Maczynski, Fansler, Albertson, Pike, Herman and Springer
Opposed:	None

Main Motion:	Suspend the rules to hear from the Finance Director on this issue.
Moved by:	Albertson
Seconded by:	Fansler
Action:	Motion carried unanimously by a vote of 7-0
In favor:	Robb, Maczynski, Fansler, Albertson, Pike, Herman and Springer
Opposed:	None

Item B – Resolution 14-14: State Of Alaska Capital Priority Requests.

Main Motion:	To adopt Resolution 14-14.
Moved by:	Springer
Seconded by:	Albertson
Action:	Postponed

Main Motion:	Move into a committee of the whole.
Moved by:	Albertson
Seconded by:	Pike
Action:	Motion carried unanimously by a vote of 7-0
In favor:	Robb, Maczynski, Fansler, Albertson, Pike, Herman and Springer
Opposed:	None

Main Motion:	Move out of committee of the whole.
Moved by:	Springer
Seconded by:	Pike
Action:	Motion carried unanimously by a vote of 7-0
In favor:	Robb, Maczynski, Fansler, Albertson, Pike, Herman and Springer
Opposed:	None

Main Motion:	Postpone until the next regular meeting.
Moved by:	Springer
Seconded by:	Maczynski
Action:	Motion carried unanimously by a vote of 7-0
In favor:	Robb, Maczynski, Fansler, Albertson, Pike, Herman and Springer
Opposed:	None

Item C- Leave request for City Attorney Oct. 23 to Nov. 4, 2014
Passed on the consent agenda.

Item D – AM 14-63: Authorizing The Training And Travel Request For The City Clerk To Attend The Alaska Association Of Municipal Clerk's Conference November 16, 17 and 18.
Passed on the consent agenda.

Item E – Approving The Personal Time Off Request For The City Clerk, November 13, 14, 19, 20 and 21.
Passed on the consent agenda.

Item F - AM 14-64: Authorizing The Administration's Release Of An RFP For Professional Lobbying Services.

Main Motion:	To approve AM 14-64.

Moved by:	Springer
Seconded by:	Pike
Action:	Motion carried unanimously by a vote of 7-0
In favor:	Robb, Maczynski, Fansler, Albertson, Pike, Herman and Springer
Opposed:	None

Main Motion:	Amend the RFP to reflect only State Lobbying Services; Amend to strike number three under the Scope.
Moved by:	Springer
Seconded by:	Pike
Action:	Motion carried unanimously by a vote of 6-1
In favor:	Robb, Maczynski, Albertson, Pike, Herman and Springer
Opposed:	Fansler

Primary Amendment:	Amend the RFP 2.1 Term, the term of the agreement will be for three years, with a one, three year renewal option.
Moved by:	Springer
Seconded by:	Pike
Action:	Motion carried unanimously by a vote of 7-0
In favor:	Robb, Maczynski, Fansler, Albertson, Pike, Herman and Springer
Opposed:	None

Main Motion:	Postpone until the next regular meeting.
Moved by:	Fansler
Seconded by:	Maczynski
Action:	Motion does not carry by a vote of 7-0
In favor:	None
Opposed:	Robb, Maczynski, Fansler, Albertson, Pike, Herman and Springer

Item G - Personal Time Off For Acting City Manager Williams, December 2-15.
Passed on the consent agenda.

XII. MAYOR'S REPORT

XIII. MANAGERS REPORT

XIV. CITY CLERK'S REPORT

XV. COUNCIL MEMBER COMMENTS

Council Member Springer- Thanked the outgoing Council Members for their excellent service to the community. Welcomed the new colleagues. Thanked Public Works for their work on the roads. After hearing the seriousness of the water and sewer truck, the Council will really need to focus on trying to find

funding for our large fleet trucks. Looking forward to the visit by the potential City Manager Candidate.

Council Member Fansler- Thanked the outgoing Council Members for all of their hard work. Expressed to the community, if there is ever something they would like to discuss with him, please give him a call.

Council Member Albertson-
Expressed appreciation to last year's Council. There were a lot of hot issues discussed by the previous City Council.
Wife was involved in a car accident, thanked the community for all of their help and phone calls. Although a bad experience, it reiterated what a great community it is that we live in.

Council Member Pike-
Appreciate the Council's patience during her travel; she is looking forward to returning home.

Council Member Herman- Excited to be on the Council.

Council Member Maczynski – Looking forward to his time on Council.

Vice-Mayor Robb-Thanked the outgoing Council Members for all of their hard work. Looking forward to working with the newly elected City Council Members. It is getting dark and cold, be careful when traveling outdoors.

XVI. EXECUTIVE SESSION

Item A - AS 44.62.310 (C) 1: Matters, The Immediate Knowledge Of Which Would Clearly Have An Adverse Effect Upon The Finances Of The Public Entity/Potential Litigation Regarding Potential Litigation And Debt Demand By Bethel Packing.

Main Motion:	To move into executive session AS 44.62.310 (C) 1: Matters, The Immediate Knowledge Of Which Would Clearly Have An Adverse Effect Upon The Finances Of The Public Entity/Potential Litigation Regarding Potential Litigation And Debt Demand By Bethel Packing. Those participating in the Executive Session are City Attorney and the City Clerk.
Moved by:	Springer
Seconded by:	Albertson
Action:	Motion carried unanimously by a vote of 7-0
In favor:	Robb, Maczynski, Fansler, Albertson, Pike, Herman and Springer

Opposed:	None

XVII. ADJOURNMENT

Main Motion:	Adjourn
Moved by:	Springer
Seconded by:	Fansler
Action:	Motion carried unanimously by a vote of 7-0
In favor:	Robb, Maczynski, Fansler, Albertson, Pike, Herman and Springer
Opposed:	None

Richard Robb, Vice-Mayor

ATTEST:

Lori Strickler, City Clerk