

I. CALL TO ORDER

A Regular Meeting of the Bethel City Council was held on October 22, 2013 at 6:30pm, in the council chambers, Bethel, Alaska.

With the telephonic participation of Mayor Klejka and Vice-Mayor Robb, City Clerk, Lori Strickler, 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 Mark Springer, Council Member Eric Whitney, Council Member Sharon Sigmon, Council Member Leif Albertson, Council Member Heather Pike, Council Member Joseph Klejka (arrived after roll call), Council Member Rick Robb (arrived after roll call)

Also in attendance were the following:
City Clerk Lori Strickler, Acting City Manager Larry Elarton, City Attorney Patty Burley

Main Motion: To Elect Eric Whitney as Mayor Pro Tem

Moved by:	Springer
Seconded by:	Albertson
Action:	Motion carried unanimously by a vote of 5-0
In favor:	Springer, Whitney, Sigmon, Albertson and Pike
Opposed:	None

IV. PEOPLE TO BE HEARD

Ross Boring- Provided some information to the Council regarding the airport expansion as well as Range Safety Rules. November 16, there will be a turkey shoot at the shooting range.

*Vice-Mayor Richard Robb called in at 6:32p.
Mayor Klejka called in at 6:32p.*

Frances Samuelson – Suggested the restaurants in the community are taking advantage of the City’s sales tax exemption ordinance.

Ronda Sargent, Parks and Recreation Director - Wanted to remind the community that they should keep their pumpkins and bring them to the skate park for Chunken Pumpkin on Saturday, November 2, from 2p until 4p.

V. APPROVAL OF THE CONSENT AND REGULAR AGENDA

Main Motion:	To approve the Consent and Regular Agenda.
Moved by:	Springer
Seconded by:	Sigmon
Action:	Motion carried unanimously by a vote of 5-0
In favor:	Springer, Whitney, Sigmon, Albertson, Klejka, Robb and Pike
Opposed:	None
Removal from Consent Agenda	Pull Resolution 13-18, from the consent agenda.
Moved by:	Springer

VI. APPROVAL OF THE MEETING MINUTES

Item A- October 8, 2013 City Council Regular Meeting Minutes.
Passed on the Consent Agenda.

Item B- October 14, 2013 City Council Special Meeting Minutes.
Passed on the Consent Agenda.

VII. REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES

Item A- Port Commission –
Mark Springer, Council Representative- Boat Harbor construction update.
An issue came up with the park by the harbor; the Port Director is working on resolving the issue.

Item B- Planning Commission
Heather Pike, Council Representative- Due to the reappointments to committees and commissions, has not been able to attend a meeting.

Item C-Public Safety and Transportation Commission
Sharon Sigmon, Council Representative – The next commission meeting will be November 4, 2013.

Item D-Energy Committee –
Richard Robb, Council Representative- Brought up a recommendation from the committee about solid waste feasibility study to acquire and operating a gasification plant for the purpose of energy recovery.

Item E-Public Works Committee-
Joseph Klejka, Council Representative-A recommendation from public works that the City implement a rate structure as provided in the 2013 Water and Sewer Rate study.

Item F- Finance Committee-
Leif Albertson, Council Representative- Due to the reappointments to committees and commissions, has not been able to attend a meeting.

Item G-Parks and Recreations Committee-
Eric Whitney, Council Representative- Due to the reappointments to committees and commissions, has not been able to attend a meeting.

VIII. SPECIAL ORDERS OF BUSINESS

Item A- Appreciation To Outgoing Council Members Mary Sattler And Gene Peltola Jr. For Their Service To The Community.

Item B- Demonstration From 4-H Youth On The Things They Have Been Doing With The 4-H Program.

IX. NEW BUSINESS

Item A - Resolution 13-18: Submitting Comments To The Federal Subsistence Board On The Rural Determination Process, Specifically The Populations With More Than 7,000 Being Considered Nonrural.

Main Motion: Adopt Resolution 13-18.

Moved by:	Springer
Seconded by:	Sigmon
Action:	Motion carried unanimously by a vote of 7-0
In Favor:	Klejka, Springer, Robb, Whitney, Sigmon, Albertson and Pike
Opposed:	None

Primary Amendment #1: Amend the second whereas statement "implementation of title VIII".

Moved by:	Springer
Seconded by:	Sigmon
Action:	Motion carried unanimously by a vote of 5-0
In Favor:	Springer, Whitney, Sigmon, Albertson, Klejka, Robb and Pike
Opposed:	None

Amend the ninth Whereas statement to strike "5 Alaska Administrative Code 99.010:

~~(1) a long term consistent pattern of noncommercial taking, use, and reliance on the fish stock or game population that has been established over a reasonable period of time of not less than one generation, excluding interruption by circumstances beyond the user's control, such as unavailability of the fish or game caused by migratory patterns; (2) a pattern of taking or use recurring in specific seasons of each year; (3) a pattern of taking or use consisting of methods and means of harvest that are characterized by efficiency and economy of effort and cost; (4) the area in which the noncommercial, long term, and consistent pattern of taking, use, and reliance upon the fish stock or game population has been established; (5) a means of handling, preparing, preserving, and storing fish or game that has been traditionally used by past generations, but not excluding recent technological advances where appropriate; (6) a pattern of taking or use that includes the handing down of knowledge of fishing or hunting skills, values, and lore from generation to generation; (7) a pattern of taking, use, and reliance where the harvest effort or products of that harvest are distributed or shared, including customary trade, barter, and gift giving; and (8) a pattern that includes taking, use, and reliance for subsistence purposes upon a wide diversity of fish and game resources and that provides substantial economic, cultural, social, and nutritional elements of the subsistence way of life and insert "Alaska Statutes Title 16.05.258 c. Subsistence use and allocation of fish and game. The Board should focus on determining whether dependence upon subsistence is a principal characteristic of the economy, culture, and way of life of an area or community."~~

Primary Amendment #2:

Moved by:	Springer
Seconded by:	Sigmon

Action: Motion carried by a vote of 6-1
In Favor: Klejka, Springer, Whitney, Sigmon, Albertson and Pike
Opposed: Robb

Primary Amendment #3: Amend to strike the tenth Whereas statement "~~Aggregation of Communities—The Bethel City Council finds no fault in the current criteria to identify aggregation of communities~~".

Moved by: Springer
Seconded by: Sigmon
Action: Motion carried unanimously by a vote of 7-0
In Favor: Klejka, Springer, Robb, Whitney, Sigmon, Albertson and Pike
Opposed: None

Secondary Amendment #3: Amend Primary Amendment #3, to strike "~~And Aggregation of Communities~~" in the title of the Resolution.

Moved by: Robb
Seconded by: Pike
Action: Motion carried unanimously by a vote of 7-0
In Favor: Klejka, Springer, Robb, Whitney, Sigmon, Albertson and Pike
Opposed: None

Item B- AM 13-22: Reappointment Of Minnie Sallison-Fritts To The Parks And Recreation Committee.

Passed on the Consent Agenda.

Item C- AM 13-24: Approval Of Personal Time Off For The City Clerk December 9-19, 2013

Passed on the Consent Agenda.

Item D- City's Sales Tax Exemption Policy Concerns.

XII. MAYOR'S REPORT

XIII. MANAGERS REPORT

XIV. CITY CLERK'S REPORT

XV. COUNCIL MEMBER COMMENTS

Council Member Springer-
Hopes the weather will hold out until Halloween to allow for a pleasant
trick-or-treating evening.
Showed frustration in the recent Musk ox shooting across the river.

Council Member Robb-
Looking forward to returning to Bethel. Thanked the 4H kids for coming
out to speak to the Council. Bethel NRA Banquet will be on November 2,
2013.

Council Member Sigmon-
Wished everyone a safe and happy Halloween. It is difficult to see when
driving to work, parents need to get reflective tape for the kids.
Welcomed the City Attorney back to work.

Council Member Whitney-
It is important to wear reflectors.
There was a recommendation to the City Council from the Energy
Committee to consider conducting a study on acquiring and operating a
municipal solid waste gasification plant for the purposes of energy
recovery and significantly reducing the amount of solid waste being added
to the Bethel landfill.

Mayor Joseph Klejka-
Looking forward to returning to Bethel.

Council Member Pike-
Halloween is just around the corner, keep our kids safe and get them in
reflective tape. Please slow down in the mornings.

Council Member Albertson-
It is important to get members signed up for Committees and
Commissions, some of the committees will have a difficult time meeting
with the shortage of membership.
Get the flu shot, it's that time of year.

XVI. ADJOURNMENT

Main Motion:	Adjournment
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Moved by:	Springer
Seconded by:	Sigmon
Action:	Motion carried unanimously by a vote of 7-0
In favor:	Klejka, Springer, Robb, Whitney, Sigmon, Albertson and

Opposed: | Pike
None



Eric Whitney, Mayor Pro Tem

ATTEST:



Lori Strickler, City Clerk