

# City of Bethel City Council Meeting Minutes

October 25, 2011

Regular Meeting

Bethel, Alaska

## **I. CALL TO ORDER**

A Regular Meeting of the Bethel City Council was held on October 25, 2011 at 6:30p, at the City Council Chambers, Bethel, Alaska.

Due to the absence of the Mayor and the telephonic participation of the Vice-Mayor, City Clerk Lori Strickler called the meeting to order.

## **II. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

## **III. ROLL CALL**

**PRESENT:** Council Member Kent Harding  
 Council Member Gene Jr. Peltola (participated telephonically)  
 Council Member Mary Sattler  
 Council Member Mark Springer  
 Council Member Rick Robb

**ABSENT:** Council Member Joseph Klejka

**STAFF:** City Clerk Lori Strickler  
 City Manager Lee Foley

### *Election of Mayor Pro Tem.*

<b>MOVED:</b>	Springer	Motion to elect Rick Robb as Mayor Pro Tem.
<b>SECONDED:</b>	Sattler	
<b>MOVED:</b>	Springer	Motion to close nominations.
<b>SECONDED:</b>	Sattler	
<b>VOTE ON MAIN MOTION</b>	All in favor	
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**IV. PEOPLE TO BE HEARD**

Agnes Phillips-

Thanked the previous Council for taking action on the matter of the City Manager's behavior during the day of the Election.

Supported Mr. Charles Herron in his intent to run for City Council appointment.

Thanked and congratulated the Newly Elected Council Members.

Eric Whitney-

Submitted a letter of interest to fill the seventh currently vacant City Council seat.

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

<b>MOVED:</b>	Peltola	Motion to approve the consent and regular agenda.
<b>SECONDED:</b>	Springer	
<b>MOVED:</b>	Peltola	Motion to amend, to move Special order of Business to before approval of the Meeting Minutes.
<b>SECONDED:</b>	Springer	
<b>VOTE ON MOTION</b>	All in favor	
<b>MOVED:</b>	Peltola	Motion to amend, to move Executive Session to follow the Special Order of Business.
<b>SECONDED:</b>	Sattler	
<b>VOTE ON MOTION</b>	Motion is withdrawn with concurrence of the council.	
<b>MOVED:</b>	Robb	Remove Ordinance 11-20 from the consent agenda.
<b>MOVED:</b>	Sattler	Motion to amend the agenda, to move New Business Item A, to follow the Contract Negotiations between the City of Bethel and Mr. Lee Foley.
<b>SECONDED:</b>	Springer	
<b>VOTE ON MAIN MOTION</b>	All in favor	

<b>VOTE ON MAIN MOTION</b>	All in favor
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**I. SPECIAL ORDER OF BUSINESS**

**Item A-** Awards Presented To Outgoing Council Members.

**Item B-** Appointment Of A Qualified Individual To Fill The Vacant City Council Seat With A Term Expiration Of October 2012.

<b>MOVED:</b>	Peltola	Motion to nominate Eric Whitney for the vacant council seat.
<b>SECONDED:</b>	Harding	

<b>MOVED:</b>	Springer	Motion to nominate Charles Herron for the vacant council seat.
<b>SECONDED:</b>	Sattler	

<b>MOVED:</b>	Springer	Motion to close the nominations for the vacant seat.
<b>SECONDED:</b>	Harding.	

<b>VOTE ON MAIN MOTION</b>	All in favor
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*Vote on the nominations for the vacant council seat.*

Eric Whitney – 4 Votes

Charles Herron- 1 Vote

*Eric Whitney was appointed to the City Council for a term ending October 2012.*

**Item C-** Oath Of Office Of Individual Appointed To Fill The Vacant City Council Seat.

*Eric Whitney read his oath of office and took his seat at the council bench.*

**II. APPROVAL OF THE MEETING MINTUES**

**Item A-** 10-7-2011 Regular City Council Meeting Minutes.  
*Passed on the consent agenda.*

**Item B** -10-11-2011 Special City Council Meeting Minutes.  
*Passed on the consent agenda.*

**Item C** -10-17-2011 Special City Council Meeting Minutes.  
*Passed on the consent agenda.*

## **I. REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES**

**Item A-** Port Commission  
No one available to provide the report.

**Item B-**Planning Commission  
No one available to provide the report.

**Item C-**Finance Committee  
Dave Trantham, Representative of the Finance Committee-  
Ordinance 4.20 will be reviewed by the committee.

**Item D-** Public Works Committee  
Jeff Sanders, Chair of Public Works-  
Honey bucket issues.  
Water and sewer projects.

## **II. UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

**Item A-** City Manager, Lee Foley's Employment Contract, Current  
Contract Expires December 17, 2011.

*Item moved to follow the Executive Session Item A.*

## **I. NEW BUSINESS**

**Item A-** Introduction Of Ordinance 11-20 Substitute: Moving Bethel Aquatic Training (BATH) and Health Funds From the Central Treasury To The Dedicated BATH Account.

<b>MOVED:</b>	Harding	Motion to introduce Ordinance 11-20 Substitute.
<b>SECONDED:</b>	Springer	
<b>VOTE ON MAIN MOTION</b>	All in favor	

**Item B-** AM 11-45: Approving Municipality Financial Support For Bethel City Council Alaska Municipal League Region 9 Representative, If Elected.

<b>MOVED:</b>	Springer	Motion to approve AM 11-45.
<b>SECONDED:</b>	Peltola	
<b>VOTE ON MAIN MOTION</b>	All in favor	

**Item C-** Nominations For Alaska Municipal League Region 9 Representative.

<b>MOVED:</b>	Peltola	Motion to nominate Mayor Joseph Klejka.
<b>SECONDED:</b>	Whitney	
<b>VOTE ON MAIN MOTION</b>	1-5 Motion fails, Peltola in favor	

<b>MOVED:</b>	Springer	Motion to nominate Mark Springer
<b>SECONDED:</b>	Whitney	
<b>VOTE ON MAIN MOTION</b>	5-1 Motion passes, Peltola opposed	

**Item D-** Appointment Of Council Members To City Commission/ Committee.

*Mayor Pro Tem Appointed Council Member Springer to the Port Commission and appointed Eric Whitney to the Energy Committee. Council concurred to the appointment of the Council Members to Committees and Commissions.*

- II. MAYOR'S REPORT**
- III. MANAGERS REPORT**
- IV. CITY CLERK'S REPORT**
- V. COUNCIL MEMBER COMMENTS**

Council Member Robb-  
 Thanked the outgoing council members.  
 Congratulated Eric Whitney.  
 Thanked Charles Herron for putting his name forward for the appointment.  
 NRA banquet is around the corner, come out and support the cause.  
 Freeze up is here, practice winter safety.

Council Member Whitney-

Thanked the council for their appointment and looks forward to serving the council.

Some of the burnt vehicles have been removed from the sand pit, thanked the public works department for their work.

Council Member Harding-

Thanked the media for covering the council meetings both the radio and the newspapers.

Council Member Springer-

Welcomed council member Whitney to the council.

Thanked Mr. Charles Herron for his interest in serving on the council.

Council Member Sattler-

Welcomed Eric Whitney to the council.

Thanked the outgoing council members for their service.

Thanked Charles Herron for his interest in serving on the council and hopes he continues his interest by placing his name on the ballot.

Council Member Peltola-

Appreciate the public and council's patience for the challenges faced for his calling in.

## VI. EXECUTIVE SESSION

<b>MOVED:</b>	Springer	Motion to move into executive session for, Alaska Statutes 44.62.310 Subjects That Tend To Prejudice The Reputation And Character Of Any Person, Provided The Person May Request A Public Discussion; City Manager's Annual Evaluation Per Employment Contract. Participants in the Executive Session will be the City Manager, Lee Foley.
<b>SECONDED:</b>	Whitney	
<b>VOTE ON MAIN MOTION</b>		
		All in favor

**Item A-** Alaska Statutes 44.62.310 Subjects That Tend To Prejudice The Reputation And Character Of Any Person, Provided The Person May Request A Public Discussion; City Manager's Annual Evaluation Per Employment Contract

*Council entered into executive session at 7:27p.  
Council exited executive session at 8:22p*

**UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

**Item A- Item A-** City Manager, Lee Foley’s Employment Contract, Current Contract Expires December 17, 2011.

<b>MOVED:</b>	Robb	Motion to approve the Employment Contract between Lee Foley and the City of Bethel was made at the October 17, Special City Council Meeting.
<b>SECONDED:</b>	Sattler	
<b>MOVED:</b>	Whitney	Motion to amend, to review the contract and negotiations with Lee Foley.
<b>SECONDED:</b>	Springer	
<b>VOTE ON MOTION</b>	All in favor	
<b>MOVED:</b>	Springer	Motion to postpone until the November 22, 2011 Regular City Council Meeting.
<b>SECONDED:</b>	Harding	
<b>VOTE ON MAIN MOTION</b>	All in favor	
<p><i>Item postponed until the next regular City Council Meeting. The November 8<sup>th</sup> City Council Meeting agenda items are postponed until the November 22<sup>nd</sup> City Council Meeting.</i></p>		

**VII. ADJOURNMENT**

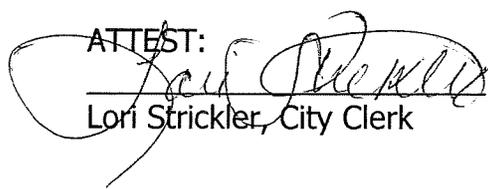
<b>MOVED:</b>	Springer	Motion to adjourn.
<b>SECONDED:</b>	Harding	
<b>VOTE ON MAIN MOTION</b>	All in favor	

*Council adjourned at 8:42pm.*



Richard Robb, Mayor Pro Tem

ATTEST:



Lori Strickler, City Clerk