

I. CALL TO ORDER

A Regular Meeting of the Bethel City Council was held on November 11, 2014 at 6:30pm, in the council chambers, Bethel, Alaska.

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:

Mayor Rick Robb, Council Member Chuck Herman, Council Member Heather Pike, and Council Member Zach Fansler Council Member Byron Maczynski, Council Member Mark Springer arrived after roll call

Those absent were:

Vice-Mayor Leif Albertson

Also in attendance were the following:

City Attorney Patty Burley, City Clerk Lori Strickler and Acting City Manager Pete Williams

IV. PEOPLE TO BE HEARD

Bill Ferguson, City of Bethel Transit Manager-
Provided the City Council with some statistical information, while requesting support for the continued operation of the Transit System.

Beverly Hoffman-
Encouraged the Council to direct administration to work closely with the contractors to determine what fix will need to occur to open the YK Regional Aquatic Training Center.

Marty Langlois-

Spoke in opposition to the Parks and Recreation's Recommendation for the Dog Park at the bluff next to the Lion's Club. Stated, there is a need for a dog park however, there is a greater need for the City to maintain and extend the walking trails and boardwalks around the community.

V. APPROVAL OF THE CONSENT AND REGULAR AGENDA

Main Motion: To approve the Consent and Regular Agenda.

Moved by:	Herman
Seconded by:	Pike
Action:	Motion carried unanimously by a vote of 5-0
In favor:	Robb, Fansler, Maczynski, Pike and Herman
Opposed:	None

VI. APPROVAL OF THE MEETING MINUTES

Item A - Special City Council Meeting October 20, 2014
Passed on the consent agenda.

Item B- Special City Council Meeting October 22, 2014
Passed on the consent agenda.

Item C-Special City Council Meeting October 23, 2014
Passed on the consent agenda.

Item D - Special City Council Meeting October 27, 2014
Passed on the consent agenda.

Item E- Regular City Council Meeting October 28, 2014
Passed on the consent agenda.

Item F-Special City Council Meeting November 3, 2014
Passed on the consent agenda.

VII. REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES

Item A - Port Commission –
Pete Williams, Port Director-
The next meeting will be held November 17.

Item B - Planning Commission –
Heather Pike, Council Representative-

The next meeting will be held on November 13. The Commission will be discussing trials, the John and Active lots, Code amendments, and the Hoffman Subdivision plat.

Item C - Public Safety and Transportation Commission-
Chuck Herman, Council Representative-
A meeting has not been held since the last City Council Meeting.

Item D - Energy Committee –
Zach Fansler, Committee Representative-
A quorum was not established, a meeting was not held.

Item E - Public Works Committee-
Byron Maczynski, Committee Representative-
The next meeting will be Wednesday November 19.

Item F - Finance Committee-
No one available to provide a report.

Item G - Parks and Receptions Committee-
Richard Robb, Council Representative
Nothing to report.

VIII. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

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

Main Motion: A motion to adopt was made at the October 14, Council Meeting.

Moved by: Springer
Seconded by: Albertson
Action: Motion carried unanimously by a vote of 5-0
In favor: Robb, Fansler, Maczynski, Pike and Herman
Opposed: None

Primary Amendment: Amend to insert a Whereas Statement under the Sewer Lagoon to include relevant information from the Water and Sewer Rate Increase Ordinance.

Moved by: Pike
Seconded by: Fansler
Action: Motion carried unanimously by a vote of 5-0
In favor: Robb, Fansler, Maczynski, Pike and Herman
Opposed: None

Item B- Public Hearing Of Ordinance 14-27: Repealing And Replacing Bethel Municipal Code Chapter 4.20, Purchasing.

Mayor Robb opened the public hearing.

Eric Middlebrook-

Has some reservations about changing one whole section of the Bethel Municipal Code. Suggested having it reviewed by a financial advisor as well as another attorney.

Mayor Robb closed the public hearing.

Main Motion: Adopt Ordinance 14-27.

Moved by:	Pike
Seconded by:	Herman
Action:	Item postponed

Council Member Springer arrived at 7:04p.

Main Motion: Postpone until the next regular meeting.

Moved by:	Fansler
Seconded by:	Springer
Action:	Motion carried unanimously by a vote of 6-0
In favor:	Robb, Fansler, Maczynski, Springer, Pike and Herman
Opposed:	None

Item C- Public Hearing Of Ordinance 14-28: City Of Bethel Fee And Rate Schedule Amended.

Mayor Robb opened the public hearing.

Eric Middlebrook

Concerned the cost for Burial Reservations is too high.

Mayor Robb closed the public hearing.

Main Motion: Adopt Ordinance 14-28.

Moved by:	Pike
Seconded by:	Maczynski
Action:	Motion carried by a vote of 5-1
In favor:	Fansler, Maczynski, Springer, Pike and Herman
Opposed:	Robb

Subsidiary Motion: Suspend the rules to hear from Ronda Sargent, Parks and Recreation Director.

Moved by:	Pike
Seconded by:	Herman
Action:	Motion carried unanimously by a vote of 6-0
In favor:	Robb, Fansler, Maczynski, Springer, Pike and Herman
Opposed:	None

Primary Amendment: Amend to insert Youth Center Rental and Non- Profit Organizational Rentals.

Moved by:	Fansler
Seconded by:	Pike
Action:	Motion carried unanimously by a vote of 6-0
In favor:	Robb, Fansler, Maczynski, Springer, Pike and Herman
Opposed:	None

Secondary Amendment: Amend the amendment to insert per staff member, behind "per hour."

Moved by:	Fansler
Seconded by:	Pike
Action:	Motion carried unanimously by a vote of 6-0
In favor:	Robb, Fansler, Maczynski, Springer, Pike and Herman
Opposed:	None

Main Motion: Ten minute break.

Moved by:	Pike
Seconded by:	Springer
Action:	Motion carried unanimously by a vote of 6-0
In favor:	Robb, Fansler, Maczynski, Springer, Pike and Herman
Opposed:	None

Item D- Recommendation From The Parks And Recreation Committee, Identifying A Location For A Dog Park.

Main Motion: Adopt Recommendation two as the option for the dog park was made at the October 28th Regular Council Meeting.

Moved by:	Pike
Seconded by:	Herman
Action:	Motion does not carry by a vote of 1-5
In favor:	Pike
Opposed:	Robb, Fansler, Maczynski, Springer and Herman

IX. NEW BUSINESS

Item A – Resolution 14-15: Supporting Council Member Mark Springer In His Run For The Alaska Municipal League Vice President Seat.
Passed on the consent agenda.

Item B – AM 14-68: Appointment Of Wade Ferdia As An Alternate Member On The Public Works Committee.

Passed on the consent agenda.

Item C – Approval Of The City Clerk’s 8 Hours Of Personal Time Off Request For October 30, 2014.

Passed on the consent agenda.

Item D- Council’s Consideration Of A Fee Waiver For A YKHC Employee Party At The Yukon Kuskokwim Health And Safety Center.

Main Motion: Suspend the rules to hear from Raunicka Ray, USA Pool Representative.

Moved by: Springer
Seconded by: Herman
Action: Motion carried unanimously by a vote of 6-0
In favor: Robb, Fansler, Maczynski, Springer, Pike and Herman
Opposed: None

Main Motion: Declaring Mayor Robb has a conflict of interest on this issue due to his employment at YKHC.

Moved by: Springer
Seconded by: Herman
Action: Motion carried by a vote of 4-1
In favor: Fansler, Springer, Pike and Herman
Opposed: Maczynski

Main Motion: Nominate Council Member Pike as Mayor Pro Temp.

Moved by: Springer
Seconded by: Maczynski
Action: Motion carried unanimously by a vote of 5-0
In favor: Fansler, Maczynski, Springer, Pike and Herman
Opposed: None

Council Member Pike is elected as Mayor Pro Tem and Mayor Robb stepped down from the Council bench.

Main Motion: Provide USA Pool the latitude to negotiate a waiver of the fee with YKHC as long as the negotiation is done with the intent that YKHC will consider a long term agreement for their employees as well as minimal impact on the operational hours for the public at large.

Moved by: Fansler
Seconded by: Springer

Action:	Motion does not carry by a vote of 1-4
In favor:	Springer
Opposed:	Fansler, Pike, Herman, Maczynski

Primary Amendment: Insert "or discount" after waiver.

Moved by:	Springer
Seconded by:	Fansler
Action:	Does not carry by a vote of 2-3
In favor:	Springer and Fansler
Opposed:	Herman, Maczynski and Pike

Mayor Robb returned to the Council bench.

Item E – City Of Bethel/ONC Joint Transit System Operations.

Main Motion:	Commit the City of Bethel to provide \$98,892 in the FY 2016 Budget for the operation of the Transit System.
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Moved by:	Maczynski
Seconded by:	Herman
Action:	Item postponed.

Incidental Motion:	Suspend the rules to hear from John Sargent, City of Bethel Grant Manager, Bill Ferguson, Transit Manager, and Hansel Mathlaw, Finance Director.
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Moved by:	Pike
Seconded by:	Fansler
Action:	Motion carried unanimously by a vote of 6-0
In favor:	Robb, Fansler, Maczynski, Springer, Pike and Herman
Opposed:	None

Main Motion:	Postpone until the next Regular City Council Meeting.
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Moved by:	Fansler
Seconded by:	Pike
Action:	Motion carried unanimously by a vote of 6-0
In favor:	Robb, Fansler, Maczynski, Springer, Pike and Herman
Opposed:	None

- XII. MAYOR'S RPORT**
- XIII. MANAGER'S REPORT**
- XIV. CLERK'S REPORT**
- XV. COUNCIL MEMBER COMMENTS**

Council Member Zach Fansler-
Thanked all of the veterans for their service.

Thanked Acting City Manager Pete Williams for all of his hard work.
Thanked the City Clerk's Office for the work during the Elections.
It is important to get the pool opened as soon as possible.
There are a number of vacancies on our committees and commission, especially the Energy Committee.

Council Member Chuck Herman-
Encouraged by the meeting, it seems as though there is some hope for the continued operation of the transit system.
Looking forward to the reopening of the pool.

Council Member Heather Pike-
Thanked Acting Pete City Manager Williams for all of his hard work.
Thanked all of the veterans out there, hug a veteran, thank a veteran.
Was disappointed in the turnout at the polls, politics are public, your vote is private.

Council Member Mark Springer-
Veterans Day is an appropriate time to thank the election officials. They are the ones that guarantee that our electoral process is kept.

Council Member Byron Maczynski-
Thanked all of the veterans who fought for our right to vote.
Hope everyone has a good night.

Mayor Richard Robb-
Thanked all of the veterans for their service to the Country.
We had a good election turnout.
December 1, is the opening for the Winter House, homeless shelter. The shelter is run entirely on volunteers, more volunteers are needed.
The Bethel Friends of the NRA took place last weekend; there were a lot of funds raised to help fund shooting sports in the community.
Yesterday was the first day of trapping season, wished all the trappers a safe season.
Thanked Acting City Manager Pete Williams for all of his hard work.

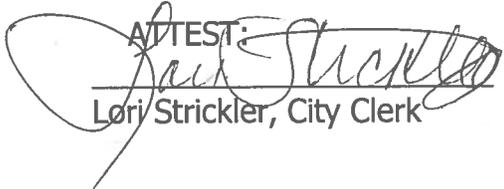
XVI. ADJOURNMENT

Main Motion:	Adjourn
Moved by:	Springer
Seconded by:	Fansler
Action:	Motion carried unanimously by a vote of 6-0
In favor:	Robb, Fansler, Maczynski, Springer, Pike and Herman
Opposed:	None



Richard Robb, Mayor

ATTEST:



Lori Strickler, City Clerk