

**I. CALL TO ORDER**

A Regular Meeting of the Bethel City Council was held on December 11, 2018 at 6:30 p.m., in the council chambers, Bethel, Alaska.

Vice-Mayor Williams called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m.

**II. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

**III. ROLL CALL**

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| <b>Comprising a quorum of the Council, the following members were present:</b> |                                   |
| Vice-Mayor Thor Williams   | Council Member Parry Barr         |
| Council Member Leif Albertson  | Council Member Carole Jung-Jordan |
| Council Member Mitchell Forbes   | Council Member Fritz T. Charles   |
| <b>Members Absent:</b>   |                                   |
| Mayor Fred Watson  |                                   |
| <b>Also in attendance were the following:</b>                                  |                                   |
| City Manager Pete Williams   | City Clerk Lori Strickler         |
| City Attorney Patty Burley   |                                   |

**IV. PEOPLE TO BE HEARD**

Kathleen Pete – Spoke in favor of Resolution 18-21. Stated concerns related to the type of service provided to her property and the cost she has associated with the heat tape on her service lines. Requested the council consider voting in favor of the pipe extensions in the Avenue subdivision.

Diane McEachern – Spoke in favor of Resolution 18-21. Stated concerns related to the types of services provided to her property and the promises the City made many years ago which have gone unaddressed. Asked the Council to consider a remedy to the few properties near the Tundra Center who have hauled water but on piped sewer.

Mary Nanuwak – Stated concerns related to the complaints that she makes that do not get addressed by the City. She has filed complaints with the Police Department

but no one is helping her. Everyone should be looking at everyone else as human beings.

Anna Hoffman- Spoke in favor of the piped water proposal for the Avenues Project. Spoke with admiration for Pete Williams, and wanted to recognize his hard work as City Manager and encouraged the Council as they go through his evaluation process.

Mike Shantz – Spoke in opposition to Resolution 18-21, stating there are other areas in town that would, if piped would reduce by greater volume the impacts to the City.

Michelle Dewitt – Recognized that there has been a strategy to progress to the piping of the Avenues and questions why there was an abrupt change in the direction of the Council. Thanked City Staff for being responsive to her over the last few days. Thanked Police Chief Waldron and Lieutenant Davis for helping with Bethel Gives.

William Howell III, Fire Chief – Spoke in favor of Resolution 18-21, stated this project is very close to shovel ready and will be an important move for the City. Home owners will pay less because of the accessibility to the piped fire-hydrants.

Mark Springer – Asked that the Council consider amending the Bethel Municipal Code 4.20 to allow the Sales Tax exemption for elders that are residing outside of Bethel, this code provision was amended last year and this section was inadvertently modified. Spoke in favor of Pete William’s Annual Evaluation. Spoke in favor of Resolution 18-21.

David E. Trantham – Addressed the Council with concerns related to the City’s Fiscal Year audits. With the FY 2016 Audit being a qualified audit, there are ramifications on the City’s credit.

## V. APPROVAL OF THE CONSENT AND REGULAR AGENDA

**Main Motion:** Approve the Consent and Regular Agenda.

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| Moved by:    | Forbes   |
| Seconded by: | Barr   |
| Action:      | Motion carries by a vote of 6-0  |
| In favor:    | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Williams <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Albertson <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Forbes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Barr <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Jung-Jordan <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Charles |
| Opposed:     | -0   |

**Removal from Consent:** New Business item A from the consent agenda.

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Moved by: Albertson

**Primary Amendment:** Postpone the City Manager’s Evaluation until January 8<sup>th</sup>.

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| Moved by:    | Jung-Jordan  |
| Seconded by: | Charles  |
| Action:      | Motion does not carry by a vote of 3-3   |
| In favor:    | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Williams <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Jung-Jordan <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Charles |
| Opposed:     | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Albertson <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Barr <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Forbes        |

**Removal from Consent** Remove Item B and Item I from the consent agenda.

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| Moved by: | Williams |
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**Primary Amendment:** Amend the agenda to move Special Order Of Business Item A to be the next item on the agenda.

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| Moved by:    | Charles  |
| Seconded by: | Forbes   |
| Action:      | Motion carries by a vote of 6-0  |
| In favor:    | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Williams <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Jung-Jordan <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Charles <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Albertson <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Barr <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Forbes |
| Opposed:     | 0  |

**SPECIAL ORDER OF BUSINESS**

**Item A – Proclamation Remembering Mary Ciuniq Pete.**

**VI. APPROVAL OF THE MEETING MINUTES**

**Item A – 11-27-2018 Regular Meeting Minutes**

*Passed on the Consent Agenda*

**VII. REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES**

**Public Safety and Transportation Commission**

Council Member Charles- A quorum of the body was not established, a meeting has not been held.

**Port Commission**

No one available to provide a report.

**Planning Commission**

Vice-Mayor Williams-A meeting will be held on Thursday.

**Parks, Recreation, Aquatic Health and Safety Center Committee**

Michelle Dewitt, Chair – Reviewed the wind turbine information provided by administration. Will continue to evaluate the finances of the pool. Recognized that there is a bit of work that will need to be done at Pinky’s Park.

**Finance Committee**

Council Member Barr- A meeting was not held due to a lack of a quorum.

**Public Works Committee**

Council Member Jung-Jordan- A meeting has not been held since the last City Council meeting.

**Community Action Grant Committee**

Grady Deaton, addressed the Council on the proposed AM to issue funding for the Community Action Grant.

**VIII. SPECIAL ORDER OF BUSINESS**

**Item A** – Proclamation Remembering Mary Ciuniq Pete.

**Item B** – Fiscal Year 2017 Annual Audit Presentation From The Auditing Firm Altman Rogers.

**Main Motion:** Suspend the rules to hear from our contracted interim Finance Director, Jim Sharp.

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Moved by: Albertson  
Secounded by: Barr  
Action: Motion carries by a vote of 5-1  
In favor:  Albertson  Forbes  Barr  Jung-Jordan  Charles  
Opposed:  Williams

**IX. UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

**Item A** – Public Hearing Of Budget Ordinance 18-12(e): Amending The Adopted Annual FY 2019 Budget.

*Vice-Mayor Williams opened the Public Hearing.  
No one present to be heard.  
Vice-Mayor Williams closed the Public Hearing.*

**Main Motion:** Adopt Budget Ordinance 18-12(e).

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Moved by: Forbes  
Secounded by: Albertson  
Action: Motion carries by a vote of 4-2  
In favor:  Albertson  Forbes  Barr  Charles  
Opposed:  Williams  Jung-Jordan

**Primary Amendment:** Amend 51-80-777 to strike \$500,000 and insert \$250,000.  
Insert line item increase under 10-70-690 in the amount of \$250,000.

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Moved by: Forbes

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| Seconded by:              | Albertson   |
| Action:                   | Motion carries by a vote of 4-2   |
| In favor:                 | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Albertson <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Forbes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Barr <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Charles   |
| Opposed:                  | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Williams <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Jung-Jordan  |
| <b>Primary Amendment:</b> | Amend to insert an increase to line item 52-50-687 Minor Equipment, and to strike under 10-70-683 \$12,350 and insert \$6,175. And strike 51-10-100 Cash in combined funds water and sewer services in the amount of \$6,715 to insert under decreases line item 10-101000 Cash in combined Fund Central treasury in the amount of 6,175. |

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| Moved by:    | Forbes  |
| Seconded by: | Albertson   |
| Action:      | Motion carries by a vote of 4-2   |
| In favor:    | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Albertson <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Forbes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Barr <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Charles |
| Opposed:     | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Williams <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Jung-Jordan  |

**Item B – AM 18-73: Approve New Hours Of Operation For Christmas And New Year’s And Sundays At The YK Fitness Center.**

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| <b>Main Motion:</b> | Approve AM 18-73.  |
| Moved by:           | Forbes   |
| Seconded by:        | Albertson  |
| Action:             | Motion carries by a vote of 6-0  |
| In favor:           | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Williams <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Albertson <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Forbes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Barr <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Jung-Jordan <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Charles |
| Opposed:            | -0   |

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| <b>Primary Amendment:</b> | Strike the reference to the change in Sunday’s hours.  |
| Moved by:                 | Forbes   |
| Seconded by:              | Albertson  |
| Action:                   | Motion carries by a vote of 6-0  |
| In favor:                 | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Williams <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Albertson <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Forbes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Barr <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Jung-Jordan <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Charles |
| Opposed:                  | -0   |

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| <b>Main Motion:</b> | Table AM 18-73.  |
| Moved by:           | Albertson  |
| Seconded by:        | Forbes   |
| Action:             | Motion carries by a vote of 6-0  |
| In favor:           | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Williams <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Albertson <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Forbes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Barr <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Jung-Jordan <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Charles |
| Opposed:            | -0   |

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| <b>Main Motion:</b> | Suspend the rules to hear from Stacie Reardon, Health Fitness Contractor.   |
| Moved by:           | Albertson   |
| Seconded by:        | Charles   |
| Action:             | Motion carries by a vote of 5-1   |
| In favor:           | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Albertson <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Forbes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Barr <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Jung-Jordan <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Charles |

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| Opposed:                 | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Williams   |
| <b>Primary Amendment</b> | On New Year's Eve Proposed hours, Strike "5:30a-4p" and insert "5:30am. – 5:30pm".   |
| Moved by:                | Albertson  |
| Seconded by:             | Forbes   |
| Action:                  | Motion carries by a vote of 6-0  |
| In favor:                | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Williams <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Albertson <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Forbes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Barr <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Jung-Jordan <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Charles |
| Opposed:                 | -0   |

## X. NEW BUSINESS

**Item A – Resolution 18-20:** Adopting A Code Of Conduct For Members Of The Bethel City Council.

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| <b>Main Motion:</b>       | Adopt Resolution 18-20.  |
| Moved by:                 | Barr   |
| Seconded by:              | Albertson  |
| Action:                   | Postponed  |
| <b>Main Motion:</b>       | Postpone   |
| Moved by:                 | Albertson  |
| Seconded by:              | Charles  |
| Action:                   | Motion carries by a vote of 6-0  |
| In favor:                 | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Williams <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Albertson <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Forbes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Barr <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Jung-Jordan <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Charles |
| Opposed:                  | -0   |
| <b>Primary Amendment:</b> | Amend to have it discussed at the next meeting where there is a full council.  |
| Moved by:                 | Charles  |
| Seconded by:              |  |
| Action:                   | Motion does not carry due to a lack of a second  |

**Item B – Resolution 18-21:** United States Department of Agriculture- Rural Development Loan Resolution To Fund Water And Sewer Improvements In The Avenues (RUS Bulletin 1780-27).

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| <b>Main Motion:</b> | Adopt Resolution 18-21.   |
| Moved by:           | Charles   |
| Seconded by:        | Forbes  |
| Action:             | Motion carries by a vote of 4-2   |
| In favor:           | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Albertson <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Forbes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Barr <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Charles |
| Opposed:            | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Williams <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Jung-Jordan  |

**Item C – AM 18-74: Re-appointment of Committee and Commission Members.**

*Passed on Consent Agenda*

**Item D – AM 18-75: Authorize And Approve City Administration To Issue Checks Totaling \$25,525 To Quarter 4 Community Action Grant Awardees Based On The Community Action Grant Technical Review Board’s Recommendation.**

**Main Motion:** Approve AM 18-75.

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Moved by: Albertson  
Seconded by: Forbes  
Action: Motion carries by a vote of 6-0  
In favor:  Williams  Albertson  Forbes  Barr  Jung-Jordan  Charles  
Opposed: -0

**Item E – AM 18-76: Approve Kenworth Alaska, Inc. As The Single Source Vendor For The Immediate Purchase Of Six Water Haul Trucks That Will End When The Purchase Is Completed.**

**Main Motion:** Approve AM 18-76.

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Moved by: Albertson  
Seconded by: Forbes  
Action: Motion carries by a vote of 5-1  
In favor:  Albertson  Forbes  Barr  Jung-Jordan  Charles  
Opposed:  Williams

**Item F – AM 18-77: Direct Administration To Order Six (6) New Water Haul Trucks Pursuant To Single Source Procurement Approval By Placing An Order And Down Payment For The Trucks, Pursuing A Final Contract For Delivery, And Pursuing A Financing Package With Community Leasing Partners.**

**Main Motion:** Approve AM 18-77.

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Moved by: Forbes  
Seconded by: Barr  
Action: Motion does not carry by a vote of 0-6  
In favor: 0  
Opposed:  Williams  Albertson  Forbes  Barr  Jung-Jordan  Charles

**Primary Amendment:** Motion to strike the AM.

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Moved by: Barr  
Seconded by:  
Action: Motion does not carry due to a lack of a second.

**Main Motion:** Remove from the table AM 18-73

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Moved by: Albertson  
Seconded by: Forbes  
Action: Motion carries by a vote of 6-0  
In favor:  Williams  Albertson  Forbes  Barr  Jung-Jordan  Charles  
Opposed: -0

*Council moved to Unfinished Business Item B, AM 18-73.*

**Item G – AM 18-78:** Direct Administration To Prepare And Submit A FY 2020 Community Transportation Grant Application To Fund The Operation Of The Bethel Transit System With \$80,580 From The City's FY 2020 Budget As Local Match.

*No action taken.*

**Item H – IM 18-18:** Presentation Of The City's Water & Sewer Services Expenditures Compared To Budget From July 1, 2018 To November 30, 2018- Utilities Maintenance-Water & Wastewater Activity Report.

*Passed on Consent Agenda*

**Item I – Leave Request-City Manager-December 24-29<sup>th</sup>.**

**Main Motion:** Approve the City Manager's leave request.

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Moved by: Barr  
Seconded by: Forbes  
Action: Motion carries by a vote of 6-0  
In favor:  Williams  Albertson  Forbes  Barr  Jung-Jordan  Charles  
Opposed: -0

**XI. MAYOR'S REPORT**  
**XII. MANAGER'S REPORT**  
**XIII. CLERK'S REPORT**  
**XIV. COUNCIL MEMBER COMMENTS**

Vice-Mayor Thor Williams–  
Wished everyone a Merry Christmas and Happy New Year.  
State of Alaska Division 2 Wrestling tournament is this weekend.  
Reminded everyone of the Christmas tree lighting.

Council Member Leif Albertson –  
Please make sure you have your reflective clothing on, it is dark outside.

Council Member Mitchell Forbes–

Expressed appreciation that the avenues project will be moving forward.

Council Member Parry Barr–

Expressed appreciation that the avenues project will be moving forward.

Council Member Carole Jung-Jordan–

Apologized to all of the ASHA residents since it will be years before they get good water. Thanked the City’s Streets and Roads department for plowing the roads early this morning.

Council Member Fritz T. Charles–

Expressed appreciation that the avenues project will be moving forward.

Encouraged everyone to get their house numbers ordered.

Don’t drink and drive.

**XV. EXECUTIVE SESSION**

**Item A** – In Accordance With AS 44.62.310(c)2: Subjects That Tend To Prejudice The Reputation And Character Of Any Person, Provided The Person May Request A Public Discussion.

*City Manager Williams requested his evaluation be held in open session.*

**Main Motion:** Suspend the rules to extend the meeting past 11:00pm.

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| Moved by:    | Albertson  |
| Seconded by: | Forbes   |
| Action:      | Motion carries by a vote of 6-0  |
| In favor:    | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Williams <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Albertson <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Forbes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Barr <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Jung-Jordan <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Charles |
| Opposed:     | -0   |

**Main Motion:** Provide the City Manager an annual increase in the amount of 2%.

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| Moved by:    | Albertson   |
| Seconded by: | Forbes  |
| Action:      | Motion carries by a vote of 4-2   |
| In favor:    | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Albertson <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Forbes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Barr <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Charles |
| Opposed:     | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Williams <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Jung-Jordan  |

**XVI. ADJOURNMENT**

**Main Motion:** Adjournment

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| Moved by:    | Albertson  |
| Seconded by: | Barr   |
| Action:      | Motion carries by a vote of 6-0  |
| In favor:    | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Williams <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Albertson <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Forbes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Barr <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Jung-Jordan <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Charles |

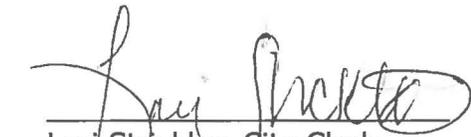
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Opposed: | -0

*Council adjourned at 11:14 p.m.*

  
Thor Williams, Vice-Mayor

ATTEST:

  
Lori Strickler, City Clerk