
City of Bethel, Alaska

Public Works Committee Minutes

December 19, 2012

Regular Meeting

Bethel, Alaska

CALL TO ORDER

A regular meeting of the Public Works Committee Meeting was held on December 19, 2012 at 6:40p.m. in the City Shop Conference Room, Bethel, Alaska was called to order by Committee Member Chair Frank Neitz.

ROLL CALL

Present: Frank Neitz, Jennifer Dobson, Joseph Klejka, Scott Guinn

Excused absence(s): Bill Schreiner

Unexcused absence(s): Jeff Sanders

Also in attendance were the following:

Chuck Willert, Public Works Director

Cheryl Roberts, Public Works Admin, Recorder of Minutes

PEOPLE TO BE HEARD

None.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

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| MOVED BY: | J. Klejka | To approve the minutes of the special meeting of November 28, 2012. |
| SECONDED BY: | J. Dobson | |

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| VOTE ON MOTION | Motion carried by unanimous voice vote. |
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APPROVAL OF AGENDA

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| MOVED BY: | J. Klejka | Motioned carried to approve the agenda. |
| SECONDED BY: | J. Dobson | |

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| VOTE ON MOTION | Motion carried by unanimous voice vote. |
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DIRECTOR'S REPORT

We didn't have enough money to fly all of the New Trucks here. So the ones that are not here are going back to Kendall Ford and they will store them there until the first Barge is ready to come out. Chuck was glad to hear that at the last City Council Meeting that Mayor Joe Klejka, had mentioned how frivolous it was to be sanding the roads when it's raining.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Item A - Update - Closeout of 2 Outstanding Grants/ ABC Loop - Update

They're still working on the ABC Loop. The funding for the Sewer Lagoon isn't looking good, but the Construction Grant is closed out.

Item B - Update - Sewer Lagoon

The Capitol Project possibly won't go through and may end up looking for funding elsewhere.

Item C - Update - 5 Year Plan/ RFP - Water & Sewer Master Plan - Update

Should be done in February 2013, when the deadline was set for.

Item D - Update - Recycle Center

The Budget process for this is taking place in January 2013, and going to propose that the City operate it. They are thinking of possibly having it open on Saturday for everyone to have access to it. The committee had a discussion of doing a Recommendation to Council.

Item E - Institutional Corridor - Feasibility Study

Chuck mentioned that if we can get YK on, it might help us better to get it.

Item F - RFP - Cost Analysis of the City of Bethel's Water & Sewer Utilities

The deadline was extended to January/February of 2013.

Item G - Complete Streets Ordinance

There were some misunderstandings on the Ordinance, there were some changes made, our committee approved it again. It then went back to the Public Safety & Transportation Commission, they approved that revision, and now it's ready to be re-submitted to City Council with a few changes and some clarification.

Item H - City Shop Floor - Chuck Willert

We are bringing an Engineer out in early January 2013 and then put it out to bid.

Item I - New BNC/Swansons Complex Road Access

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| MOVED BY: | J. Klejka | To make a recommendation to the Planning Committee to require BNC, in a timely manner, to consult a Traffic Engineer to do an analysis and make recommendations on how traffic congestion can be alleviated in the future for when the New BNC/Swanson Complex goes into place/open. |
| SECONDED BY: | J. Dobson | |

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| VOTE ON MOTION | Motion carried by unanimous voice vote. |
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The committee had a discussion on having BNC/Swansons getting a Traffic Engineer due to the congestion of traffic now and for the future.

Item J - Wind Generation 100kw per Public Building

Chuck would like to get a 100kw on the Public Works Bldg and on both Water Plants. We have the money, but we don't have a contract with BUC yet. Whose attention is this on? The committee is worried about the grant funding going away. 85% of what it produces has to be put back into the grid.

NEW BUSINESS

Item A - Discussion of Sewage Lagoon Rehabilitation

The committee already talked about this at the last meeting.

Item B - Recommendation to Council in regards to Sewage Lagoon Rehabilitation Project

The committee had a discussion and they think that it may not go through.

MEMBER COMMENTS

Frank Neitz - No comments. Do we need to make a Recommendation for the Lagoon or the Wind Mills, or do I need to talk to John Sargent.

Joe Klejka - Wants Lee Foley to give us Updates & Deadlines on our Agenda Items; wind mills, recycle center, sewage lagoon. I was also wondering about the Wind Mills for the pool. The school decided that they would fund the Armory themselves so they can use it.

Jennifer - No additional comments.

Scott - Nothing new. Myself and Jennifer will to get together and discuss the Ballpark. The concession stand needs to be moved to another spot so it's safe for everyone. Merry Christmas.

ADJOURNMENT

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| MOVED BY: | J. Klejka | Motion to adjourn the meeting. |
| SECONDED BY: | S. Guinn | |

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| VOTE ON MOTION | Motion carried by unanimous voice vote. |
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With no further business before the Committee, the meeting adjourned at 7:42 p.m.

APPROVED THIS 27 DAY OF ~~JANUARY~~ ^{February}, 2013


 Frank Neitz, Chair


 Cheryl Roberts
 Recorder of Minutes