

**City Council Meeting
City of Bethel, Alaska
Regular Meeting
February 14, 2017**

I. CALL TO ORDER

A Regular Meeting of the Bethel City Council was held on February 14, 2017 at 6:30 p.m., in the council chambers, Bethel, Alaska.

Mayor Richard Robb called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m.

II. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

III. ROLL CALL

Comprising a quorum of the Council, the following members were present:	
Mayor Rick Robb	Council Member Leif Albertson
Vice-Mayor Byron Maczynski	Council Member Fred Watson
Members Absent:	
Council Member Alisha Welch	Council Member Norman Ayagalria
Council Member Nikki Hoffman	
Also in attendance were the following:	
City Attorney Patty Burley	Assistant City Clerk Kevin Morgan
City Manager Pete Williams	

IV. PEOPLE TO BE HEARD

Madeline Reichard- Spoke on behalf of the K300 Race Organization concerning Budget Ordinance 16-17 (g). Supported the work of the Bethel Search and Rescue but was concerned that the K300 in-kind donation was at risk due to this Ordinance. Spoke of k300’s importance to community and that 4 family’s got in kind water and sewer from the donation this year. The in-kind water and sewer donation to host families is a long standing donation from the City spanning back approximately 24 years. Without the in-kind donation to the K300, it would be harder to find host families for mushers. She would like the City to find some middle ground between the two donations or find a way to facilitate both donations.

Mike Riley- President of Bethel Search and Rescue spoke of his support of the City's donation to Bethel Search and Rescue (BSR). He reminded the council that BSR is an all-volunteer organization that depends of donations. He spoke of how the donation will help fund an upcoming BSR conference on March 15, 16, 17 that will have search and rescue people coming to Bethel from the surrounding 56 villages and other places outside of the region as well. He spoke about how BSR assists with the Bethel Police Dept., Ambulance, and Fire Dept. when they can't reach places off of the road system.

Michelle Dewitt- Thanked everyone present for taking part in the City Council Meeting on Valentine's Day. Gave an update about the Arts project at the YK fitness center. The project is moving along now since the council worked on an MOU to have BCSF provide leadership to steer through the Arts procurement process. They had their first meeting on Thursday with different members of the Community. She gave an update on the process that will be used to find an artist and art. The projected time-line between now and installation will be about a year.

V. APPROVAL OF THE CONSENT AND REGULAR AGENDA

Main Motion: Approve the Agenda and Consent Agenda.

Moved by: Albertson
 Seconded by: Maczynski
 Action: Motion carries by a vote of 4-0
 In favor: Robb Maczynski Albertson Watson
 Opposed: -0

Primary Amendment: Move Public hearing of Budget Ordinance 16-17 (g) to be the first item of unfinished business.

Moved by: Watson
 Seconded by: Maczynski
 Action: Motion carries by a vote of 4-0
 In favor: Robb Maczynski Albertson Watson
 Opposed: 0

Remove from consent: Introduction of Ordinance 16-17 (h).

Moved by: Mayor Robb

Primary Amendment: Move Kusko Liquor, Package Store Liquor License Application- Council Review, to be the first item of New Business.

Moved by: Watson
 Seconded by: Albertson
 Action: Motion carries by a vote of 4-0
 In favor: Robb Maczynski Albertson Watson

Opposed: | 0

VI. APPROVAL OF THE MEETING MINUTES

Item A – 1-24-2017 Regular City Council Meeting
Passed on the Consent Agenda

VII. REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES

Public Safety and Transportation Commission –

Patty Burley, City Attorney-

They met last week and passed an ordinance modification that will be presented to the Council at their next meeting.

Port Commission –

Pete Williams, City Manager -

The next meeting will be February 20, 2017

They have 7 to 8 pre-bids on pre-construction.

Planning Commission –

Patty Burley, City Attorney- Next meeting is on February 23, 2017.

Parks, Recreation, Aquatic Health and Safety Center Committee –

Michelle Dewitt, Committee Chair –

Their last meeting was February 13, 2017. They have had a good luck on establishing Quorums for their meetings.

They are having good communication about Owl Park with the Owners of the property and the City of Bethel.

They are working on establishing a separate budget for the Log Cabin/4-H building.

They are in support of the employee wellness plan and are working with Stacy on a percentage basis plan.

They support the Dog Park (Introduction of Ordinance 17-08) and are interested in designation right now and not development.

They support wood chips (AM 17-13).

They are frustrated with Councils decision about the trail from YK to the college and wants to find a different solution to that problem.

They passed an AM for the Parks and Rec staff to develop summer and winter activities.

Finance Committee –

Council Representative, Leif Albertson –

They met February 13, 2017 and discussed the sales tax code.

Energy Committee –

Council Representative, Rick Robb –
No new meeting until the next meeting, February 20, 2017.

Public Works Committee –

Council Representative, Byron Maczynski –
No meeting since last meeting.
Things are running smoothly.
Trucks are being taken care of and back on the road.
He commended the performance of the new Director

Marijuana Advisory Committee –

Council Representative, Byron Maczynski –
Nothing to report.

VIII. SPECIAL ORDER OF BUSINESS

Item A – Appreciation To Bob Herron For His Service To The Region.

Main Motion:	Postpone Appreciation to Bob Herron for his Service to the Region to the next meeting.
Moved by:	Albertson
Seconded by:	Watson
Action:	Motion carries by a vote of 4-0
In favor:	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Robb <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Maczynski <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Albertson <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Watson
Opposed:	–0

IX. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Item A – Public Hearing Of Ordinance 17-04: Amending Bethel Municipal Code 5.20.120 Taxicab Fines.

*Mayor Robb opened the Public Hearing.
No one present to be heard.
Mayor Robb closed the Public Hearing.*

Main Motion:	Adopt Ordinance 17-04.
Moved by:	Albertson
Seconded by:	Maczynski
Action:	Motion carries by a vote of 4-0
In favor:	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Robb <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Maczynski <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Albertson <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Watson
Opposed:	–0

Item B – Public Hearing Of Ordinance 17-05: Amending Bethel Municipal Code 13.16 Limiting The Annual Increase Of Utility Rates To Water And Sewer, Excluding Solid Waste.

*Mayor Robb opened the Public Hearing.
No One present to be heard.
Mayor Robb closed the Public Hearing.*

Main Motion: Adopt Ordinance 17-05.

Moved by:	Albertson
Seconded by:	Maczynski
Action:	Motion carries by a vote of 4-0
In favor:	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Robb <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Maczynski <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Albertson <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Watson
Opposed:	-0

Item C – Public Hearing Of Ordinance 17-06: Amending The Official Land Use Map Zoning Larson Subdivision Residential.

*Mayor Robb opened the Public Hearing.
No One present to be heard.
Mayor Robb closed the Public Hearing.*

Main Motion: Adopt Ordinance 17-06.

Moved by:	Albertson
Seconded by:	Maczynski
Action:	Motion carries by a vote of 4-0
In favor:	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Robb <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Maczynski <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Albertson <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Watson
Opposed:	-0

Item D – Public Hearing Of Budget Ordinance 16-17 (g): Amending The Fiscal Year 2017 Budget For Donation To Bethel Search And Rescue.

Mayor Robb opened the Public Hearing.
Parry Barr and Mike Riley, Bethel Search and Rescue Representatives, Spoke in favor of Ordinance 16-17 (g).

Subsidiary Motion: To extend the time limit for Bethel Search and Rescue to Speak.

Moved by:	Albertson
Seconded by:	Maczynski
Action:	Motion carries by a vote of 4-0
In favor:	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Robb <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Maczynski <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Albertson <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Watson
Opposed:	-0

Mayor Robb Closed the Public Hearing.

Main Motion: Adopt Ordinance 16-17 (g).

Moved by: Maczynski
Seconded by: Watson
Action: Postpone

Amendment: Strike 10-72-744 \$1,000 and 10-72-746 \$4,000; and to insert 10-61-501 for \$5000.

Moved by: Maczynski
Seconded by: Watson
Action: Motion carries by a vote of 4-0
In favor: Robb Maczynski Albertson Watson
Opposed: -0

Subsidiary Motion: Postponed.

Moved by: Maczynski
Seconded by: Watson
Action: Motion carries by a vote of 4-0
In favor: Robb Maczynski Albertson Watson
Opposed: -0

Item E – Public Hearing Of Ordinance 17-07: Authorizing The Disposal Of Property Pursuant to BMC 4.08.030(B), Lease Agreement Between City Of Bethel And Department Of Health And Social Services.

*Mayor Robb opened the Public Hearing.
No one present to be heard.
Mayor Robb closed the Public Hearing.*

Main Motion: Adopt Ordinance 17-07.

Moved by: Albertson
Seconded by: Maczynski
Action: Motion carries by a vote of 4-0
In favor: Robb Maczynski Albertson Watson
Opposed: -0

X. NEW BUSINESS

Item I – Kusko Liquor, Package Store Liquor License Application- Council Review.

This item was moved up on the agenda.

*Vice-Mayor Maczynski declares a conflict interest due to his Father, Cezary Maczynski, being the Owner of Kusko Liquour and that this decision has the possible of great financial gain.
Mayor Robb ruled Council Member Maczynski does have a conflict of interest.*

Council Member Maczynski removed himself from the chamber and refrained from discussion, debate, and voting on the matter.

Subsidiary Motion : Move AM 17-16 to be the second order of New Business.

Moved by: Albertson
Seconded by: Maczynski
Action: Motion carries by a vote of 4-0
In favor: Robb Maczynski Albertson Watson
Opposed: -0

Item F – AM 17-16: Authorizing A Change In Pool Operations Closing on Friday.

Main Motion: Approve AM 17-16

Moved by: Albertson
Seconded by: Maczynski
Action: Motion Does not carry by a vote of 2-2
In favor: Maczynski Watson
Opposed: Robb Albertson

Subsidiary Motion: Suspend rules to hear from Stacey Reardon, Health Fitness Representative.

Moved by: Albertson
Seconded by: Maczynski
Action: Motion carries by a vote of 4-0
In favor: Robb Maczynski Albertson Watson
Opposed: -0

Subsidiary Motion: Postpone until they see the data from the supplemental Document.

Moved by: Albertson
Seconded by: Watson
Action: Motion Does not carry by a vote of 0-4
In favor: 0
Opposed: Robb Maczynski Albertson Watson

Item A – Introduction of Budget Ordinance 16-17 (h): Providing For A Donation of Water Deliver And Sewer Evacuation To Bethel Winter House Through March 31, 2017.

Main Motion: Introduce Ordinance 16-17 (h).

Moved by: Maczynski
Seconded by: Watson
Action: Postponed Indefinitely
In favor: Robb Maczynski Albertson Watson
Opposed: -0

Main Motion: Direct to administration to provide service to the Bethel Winter House.

Moved by: Maczynski

Seconded by: Albertson
Action: Motion carries by a vote of 4-0
In favor: Robb Maczynski Albertson Watson
Opposed: -0

Subsidiary Motion: Postpone indefinitely

Moved by: Maczynski
Seconded by: Albertson
Action: Motion carries by a vote of 4-0
In favor: Robb Maczynski Albertson Watson
Opposed: -0

Item B – Introduction of Ordinance 17-08: An Ordinance Authorizing The Designation Of Property, Lot 15, USS 4177, As A Community Dog Park.
Passed on the Consent Agenda.

Item C – AM 17-13: Administration To Consider Grants To Cover Woodchips For Playground Equipment.

Main Motion: Approve AM 17-13.

Moved by: Maczynski
Seconded by: Albertson
Action: Motion carries by a vote of 4-0
In favor: Robb Maczynski Albertson Watson
Opposed: -0

Amendment:

Request Council to Direct Administration since a direction cannot come from a committee.

Moved by: Albertson
Seconded by: Maczynski
Action: Motion carries by a vote of 4-0
In favor: Robb Maczynski Albertson Watson
Opposed: -0

Item D – AM 17-14: Appointment Of Justin Wintersteen To The Parks, Recreation, Aquatic Health And Safety Center Committee As An Alternate Member.
Passed on the Consent Agenda.

Item E –AM 17-15: Appointment of Shadi Rabi To The Planning Commission As An Alternate Member.
Passed on the Consent Agenda.

Item G –AM 17-17: City Clerk’s Administrative Leave Request To Attend A Training On Marijuana Regulations.

Passed on the Consent Agenda

Item H – AM 17-18: Direct the City Clerk’s Office To Negotiate An 8-Year Lease With Dominion Voting For City Election Equipment And Agree To Provide For The Funding In The Fiscal Year 2018 Budget.

Main Motion:	Approve AM 17-18.
Moved by:	Maczynski
Seconded by:	Albertson
Action:	Motion carries by a vote of 4-0
In favor:	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Robb <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Maczynski <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Albertson <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Watson
Opposed:	-0

Item J –City Attorney- Personal Leave Request- February 17, 2017.
Passed on the Consent Agenda.

XI. MAYOR’S REPORT

XII. MANAGER’S REPORT

Subsidiary Motion:	Suspend the rules to hear from the Bethel Police Chief Andre Achee.
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Moved by:	Albertson
Seconded by:	Maczynski
Action:	Motion carries by a vote of 4-0
In favor:	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Robb <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Maczynski <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Albertson <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Watson
Opposed:	-0

XIII. CLERK’S REPORT

XIV. COUNCIL MEMBER COMMENTS

Mayor Richard Robb – Mentioned that February 19th will be the 20th anniversary of the Bethel High school shooting. A member of the public addressed Mayor Robb about it and wondered if the city could commemorate it. Mayor Robb felt that it was tragedy that should be remembered.

He also wished everyone a Happy Valentine’s day and a special Valentine’s Day to Odilia Tomas.

Vice-Mayor Byron Maczynski –No Comment.

Council Member Leif Albertson – No Comment.

Council Member Fred Watson – Thanked Justin Wintersteen for the time and service that he will volunteer as the new Alternate member to the Parks, Recreation, Aquatic Health And Safety Center Committee.

XV. ADJOURNMENT

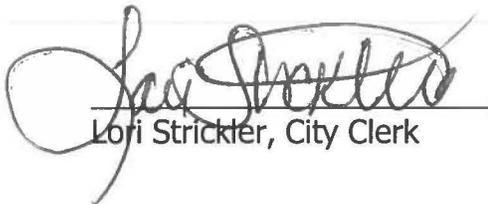
Main Motion: Adjournment

Moved by: Maczynski
Seconded by: Albertson
Action: Motion carries by a vote of 4-0
In favor: Robb Maczynski Albertson Watson
Opposed: -0

The Council adjourned the meeting at 9:17pm.


Richard Robb, Mayor

ATTEST:


Lori Strickler, City Clerk