

**I. CALL TO ORDER**

A Regular Meeting of the Bethel City Council was held on March 24, 2015 at 6:30pm, in the council chambers, Bethel, Alaska.

Mayor Richard 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, Vice-Mayor Leif Albertson, Council Member Chuck Herman, Council Member Byron Maczynski, Council Member Zach Fansler, Council Member Mark Springer and Council Member Heather Pike

Also in attendance were the following:  
City Attorney Patty Burley, City Manager Ann Capela and City Clerk Lori Strickler

**IV. PEOPLE TO BE HEARD**

Wesley Russell – Spoke in opposition to the issuance of liquor licenses within the community of Bethel.

Gloria Simeon – Spoke in opposition to the issuance of liquor licenses within the community of Bethel.

Ray Watson – Spoke in opposition to the issuance of liquor licenses within the community of Bethel.

Merrill Lake – Spoke in opposition to the issuance of liquor licenses within the community of Bethel.

Olinka E. Nicholai – Spoke in opposition to the issuance of liquor licenses within the community of Bethel.

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John Wallace – Spoke in opposition to the issuance of liquor licenses within the community of Bethel.

Mike Williams – A resident of Akiak, spoke in opposition to the issuance of liquor licenses within the community of Bethel.

Ana Hoffman – Spoke on behalf of the Bethel Native Corporation requesting the Council to support the issuance of an alcohol license for Bethel Spirits LLC.

*Byron Maczynski arrived at 7:05p.*

Bonnie Bradbury – Spoke in opposition to the issuance of liquor licenses within the community of Bethel.

Hugh Dymant – Suggested the Council hold an advisory vote on the issue of alcohol before taking action on the license issuance.

Fred Broerman – Spoke in opposition to the issuance of liquor licenses within the community of Bethel.

Beverly Hoffman – Thanked the Police Department and Fire Department for assisting in putting out the fire at her house over the weekend.  
Spoke in favor of the issuance of a liquor license within the community of Bethel.

Darlene Mojin – Spoke in opposition to the issuance of liquor licenses within the community of Bethel.

Ron Boerman – Spoke in opposition to the issuance of liquor licenses within the community of Bethel.

Daniel Picazo – Spoke in opposition to the issuance of liquor licenses within the community of Bethel.

Myron Nanning – President of Alaska Village Council Presidents, spoke in opposition to the issuance of liquor licenses within the community of Bethel.

Dorothy Chase – Spoke in opposition to the issuance of liquor licenses within the community of Bethel.

Nikki Hoffman – Spoke in favor of the issuance of liquor licenses.

Sharon Chakuchin – Spoke in opposition to the issuance of liquor licenses within the community of Bethel.

Silas Vougsamath – Spoke in opposition to the issuance of liquor licenses within the community of Bethel.

Alice Nicholai – Spoke in opposition to the issuance of liquor licenses within the community of Bethel.

Laurinda O’Brien – Spoke in opposition to the issuance of liquor licenses within the community of Bethel.

John Andrew – A resident of Kwethluk, spoke in opposition to the issuance of liquor licenses within the community of Bethel.

**Main Motion:** Take a ten minute break

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Moved by:	Pike
Seconded by:	Albertson
Action:	Motion carries by a vote of 7-0
In favor:	Herman, Fansler, Springer, Maczynski, Pike, Albertson and Robb
Opposed:	None

Bethel Hessler – Spoke in opposition to the issuance of liquor licenses within the community of Bethel.

Martha Larson – Spoke in opposition to the issuance of liquor licenses within the community of Bethel.

Mike Walter – Spoke in opposition to the issuance of liquor licenses within the community of Bethel.

Debra Samson – Spoke in opposition to the issuance of liquor licenses within the community of Bethel.

Anthony Nelson – Spoke in opposition to the issuance of liquor licenses within the community of Bethel.

Agarfrina Baugh – Spoke in opposition to the issuance of liquor licenses within the community of Bethel.

Josie Typpo – Spoke in opposition to the issuance of liquor licenses within the community of Bethel.

Eric Middlebrook – Spoke in opposition to the issuance of liquor licenses within the community of Bethel.

Bob White – Spoke in opposition to the issuance of liquor licenses within the community of Bethel.

Eli Jacobson – Spoke in opposition to the issuance of liquor licenses within the community of Bethel.

Minnie Sallison-Fritts – Spoke in opposition to the issuance of liquor licenses within the community of Bethel.

Tiffany Zulkosky – Suggested the City Council hold another advisory vote on the potential issuance of alcohol licenses in the community of Bethel.

Paul P. Jenkins – Spoke in opposition to the issuance of liquor licenses within the community of Bethel.

Elisabeth Jacobson – Spoke in opposition to the issuance of liquor licenses within the community of Bethel.

Emma Evon – Spoke in opposition to the issuance of liquor licenses within the community of Bethel.

Earl Samuelson – Spoke in opposition to the issuance of liquor licenses within the community of Bethel.

Eva Malvich – Spoke in opposition to the issuance of liquor licenses within the community of Bethel.

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

**Main Motion:** To approve the Consent and Regular Agenda.

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Moved by:	Springer
Seconded by:	Maczynski
Action:	Motion carries by a vote of 7-0
In favor:	Herman, Fansler, Springer, Maczynski, Pike, Albertson and Robb
Opposed:	None

Amend the Agenda to remove Special Order of Business Items B and D, Unfinished Business Item A and Item VII, Reports of Standing Committees.

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**Main Motion:** Standing Committees.

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Moved by:	Springer
Seconded by:	Fansler

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Action:	Motion carries by a vote of 7-0
In favor:	Herman, Fansler, Springer, Maczynski, Pike, Albertson and Robb
Opposed:	None

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**Main Motion:** Amend the Agenda to move New Business Item A to follow People To Be Heard.

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Moved by:	Herman
Seconded by:	Albertson
Action:	Motion does not carry by a vote of 2-5
In favor:	Herman and Albertson
Opposed:	Fansler, Springer, Robb, Pike and Maczynski

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**Main Motion:** Amend the Agenda to move New Business Item A to fall after the Special Order Of Business.

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Moved by:	Albertson
Seconded by:	Fansler
Action:	Does not carry by a vote of 3-4
In favor:	Herman, Fansler and Albertson
Opposed:	Springer, Robb, Pike and Maczynski

## VI. APPROVAL OF THE MEETING MINUTES

**Item A** – Regular City Council Meeting March 10, 2015.  
*Passed on the consent agenda.*

## VII. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

**Item A-** KYUK Appeal Hearing On The Denial Of A Public Request For Information.  
*Postponed until the attorneys working on this issue have provided a response to the City.*

## VIII. NEW BUSINESS

**Item A-** Public Hearing – Inviting The Public To Speak On The Potential Package Store Application To The Alcoholic Beverage Control Board From Bethel Spirits' LLC.

*Mayor Robb opened the public hearing.*

Susan Murphy – Spoke in opposition to the issuance of liquor licenses within the community of Bethel.

Will Updegrove – Spoke in opposition to the issuance of liquor licenses within the community of Bethel.

Wesley Russell – Spoke in opposition to the issuance of liquor licenses within the community of Bethel.

Laurinda O’Brien – Spoke in opposition to the issuance of liquor licenses within the community of Bethel.

Dave Trantham Jr. – Spoke in favor of the issuance of a liquor licenses within the community of Bethel.

Daniel Picazo – Spoke in opposition to the issuance of liquor licenses within the community of Bethel.

Fred Broerman – Spoke in opposition to the issuance of liquor licenses within the community of Bethel.

Mary Hessler – Spoke in opposition to the issuance of liquor licenses within the community of Bethel.

*Mayor Robb closed the public hearing.*

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**Main Motion:** Extend the meeting past 11:00pm.

Moved by:	Albertson
Seconded by:	Fansler
Action:	Motion carries by a vote of 7-0
In favor:	Herman, Fansler, Springer, Maczynski, Pike, Albertson and Robb
Opposed:	None

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**Main Motion :** Take a five minute break

Moved by:	Pike
Seconded by:	Fansler
Action:	Motion carries by a vote of 7-0
In favor:	Herman, Fansler, Springer, Maczynski, Pike, Albertson and Robb
Opposed:	None

Direct the City Clerk to schedule a public forum outside of a council meeting for people to speak on the potential issuance of alcohol licensing.

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**Motion:**

Moved by:	Zack
Seconded by:	Herman
Action:	Motion carries by a vote of 5-2
In favor:	Herman, Fansler, Springer, Maczynski and Robb
Opposed:	Pike and Albertson

**Item B- AM 15-12: Approve The Agreement Between The City Of Bethel And HCC Life Insurance Company For Health Care Stop Loss Insurance.**

**Main Motion:** Approve AM 15-12.

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Moved by:	Fansler
Seconded by:	Maczynski
Action:	Motion carries by a vote of 6-1
In favor:	Herman, Fansler, Springer, Albertson, Maczynski and Robb
Opposed:	Pike

**Main Motion :** Extend the meeting to 12:00p.

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Moved by:	Springer
Seconded by:	Pike
Action:	Motion carries by a vote of 7-0
In favor:	Herman, Fansler, Springer, Maczynski, Robb, Pike and Albertson
Opposed:	None

- IX. MAYOR'S REPORT**
- X. MANAGER'S REPORT**
- XI. CLERK'S REPORT**
- XII. COUNCIL MEMBER COMMENTS**

Council Member Zach Fansler –  
Thanked Tim Oosterman (City of Bethel Retiree) for his many years of service to the City of Bethel.  
Thanked the community members who came out to speak tonight.  
Expressed appreciation to the members of the community who contacted him personally to discuss the alcohol issue.

Council Member Chuck Herman – No comment.

Council Member Mark Springer –  
48 degrees felt really good today.  
Thanked the community members who came out to speak tonight.  
Concerned we are going to see a rush of alcohol licenses.

Mayor Richard Robb –  
Thanked Tim Oosterman (City of Bethel Retiree) for his many years of service to the City of Bethel.  
Thanked Earl Samuelson for his many years of service to our community and the Region.

Council Member Heather Pike –  
Thanked Tim Oosterman (City of Bethel Retiree) for his many years of service to the City of Bethel.

Thanked the community members who came out to speak tonight.  
Council Member Byron Maczynski –  
Thanked the community members who came out to speak tonight.  
Looking forward to the public forum on the alcohol issue.  
Be safe on the river.

Vice-Mayor Albertson –  
Thanked the community members who came out to speak tonight.  
Thanked Tim Oosterman (City of Bethel Retiree) for his many years of service to the City of Bethel.

### **XIII. EXECUTIVE SESSION**

**Item A** - Alaska Statutes 44.62.310 (c) (1): Matters, The Immediate Knowledge Of Which Would Clearly Have An Adverse Effect Upon The Finances Of The Public Entity - City of Bethel, Collective Bargaining Agreement And Discussion Of Negotiation Actions.

**Item B** - AS 44.62.310 (C) 1: Matters, The Immediate Knowledge Of Which Would Clearly Have An Adverse Effect Upon The Finances Of The Public Entity Potential Litigation: Against Bethel Packing.

Move into Executive Session to discuss Alaska Statutes 44.62.310 (c) (1): Matters, The Immediate Knowledge Of Which Would Clearly Have An Adverse Effect Upon The Finances Of The Public Entity - City of Bethel, Collective Bargaining Agreement And Discussion Of Negotiation Actions.

AS 44.62.310 (C) 1: Matters, The Immediate Knowledge Of Which Would Clearly Have An Adverse Effect Upon The Finances Of The Public Entity Potential Litigation: Against Bethel Packing.

Those participating in the Executive Session aside from the Council will be the City Manager City Attorney, and City Clerk.

**Main Motion:**

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Moved by:	Springer
Seconded by:	Fansler
Action:	Motion carries by a vote of 7-0
In favor:	Herman, Fansler, Springer, Maczynski, Robb, Pike and Albertson
Opposed:	None

**XIV. ADJOURNMENT**

**Main Motion:** Adjourn

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Moved by:	Springer
Seconded by:	Maczynski
Action:	Motion carries by a vote of 7-0
In favor:	Herman, Fansler, Springer, Maczynski, Robb, Pike and Albertson
Opposed:	None

*Council adjourned at 12:27 a.m.*



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Richard Robb, Mayor

ATTEST:



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Lori Strickler, City Clerk