

I. CALL TO ORDER

A Regular Meeting of the Bethel City Council was held on April 12, 2016 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:	
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Mayor Rick Robb	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Council Member Zach Fansler
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Council Member Chuck Herman	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Council Member Nikki Hoffman
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Council Member Leif Albertson	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Council Member Alisha Welch
Members Absent:	
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Vice-Mayor Byron Maczynski	
Also in attendance were the following:	
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> City Attorney Patty Burley	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> City Clerk Lori Strickler
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> City Manager Ann Capela	

Main Motion: Suspend the Rules to Move Special Orders, Proclamation to the next item of business.

Moved by:	Fansler
Seconded by:	Welch
Action:	Motion carries by a vote of 6-0
In favor:	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Robb <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Albertson <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Herman <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Fansler <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Hoffman <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Welch
Opposed:	-0

SPECIAL ORDER OF BUSINESS

Item A – Proclamation Recognizing The Lower Kuskokwim School District’s Archery Teams For Their State Wins.

IV. PEOPLE TO BE HEARD

John Sargent, Grant Manager for the City of Bethel – Provided support to AM 16-28, 16-30. Spoke in favor of the sewage lagoon rehabilitation project, preconstruction funding is in place but is dependent on the 3% annual increase.

Ronda Sargent, with four 4-H program students presented the Council with a thank you for their support to Bethel 4-H Program.

Carol Ann Willard – Provided concern on Ordinance 16-09, and the intent to have the Finance Committee review and facilitate the plan for the reimbursement payments. Spoke in support of Resolution 16-14, 2016 Cama-i Dance Festival Donation.

John Wallace – Stated concerns with the number of four wheelers on the roadways, requested the Council consider an ordinance banning them on the roadways. Also suggested the City consider buying calcium chloride for the roads. Requested the City also require the employees working on the roadways start wearing safety vest/OSHA colors.

V. APPROVAL OF THE CONSENT AND REGULAR AGENDA

Main Motion: Approve the Consent and Regular Agenda.

Moved by: Fansler
Seconded by: Hoffman
Action: Motion carries by a vote of 6-0
In favor: Robb Albertson Herman Fansler Hoffman Welch
Opposed: -0

Remove from the Consent

Agenda: Introductions of Ordinance 16-12 and Ordinance 16-13.

Moved by: Hoffman

Remove from the Consent

Agenda: Resolution 16-14.

Moved by: Robb

Remove from the Consent

Agenda: Ordinance 15-14 (g).

Moved by: Albertson

VI. APPROVAL OF THE MEETING MINUTES

Item A – Special City Council Meeting March 22, 2016

Passed on the consent agenda.

Item B – Regular City Council Meeting March 22, 2016

Passed on the consent agenda.

VII. REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES

Public Safety and Transportation Commission

Council Representative, Chuck Herman –

A meeting has not been held since the last City Council Meeting.

Port Commission

Council Representative Alisha Welch –

A meeting has not been held since the last City Council Meeting.

Planning Commission

Council Representative Nikki Hoffman –

A meeting has not been held since the last city council meeting.

Parks and Recreation Committee

Committee Member, Judy Wasierski –

Reviewed the Request for Proposal process for the pool operator with a Pro Dev representative as well as a summary of the pool budget. A subcommittee was established to review the budget for the facility. The Committee recommends the Council consider an amendment to the pool budget to exclude an in-kind contribution to administrative overhead.

The Committee recommends the Council direct administration to deconstruct a portion of the boardwalk due to safety concerns.

The planning of the 4th of July event is underway; the Committee will work closely with City staff to coordinate.

Finance Committee

Council Representative, Leif Albertson –

The Committee will be presenting a recommendation changing the way sales tax on gaming is collected.

Energy Committee

Council Representative, Zach Fansler –

A meeting has not been held since the last City Council Meeting.

Public Works Committee –

A meeting has not been held since the last City Council Meeting.

Marijuana Advisory Committee

Ted Meyer, Planning Director –

Continuation of previous meetings, converting the alcohol code to marijuana ordinance.

VIII. SPECIAL ORDER OF BUSINESS

Item B – Presentation From Donlin Gold, Nova Gold, and Barrick Gold.

IX. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Item A – Public Hearing of Ordinance 15-14 (e): Amending The Fiscal Year 2016 Budget.

Mayor Robb opened the public hearing.

No one present to be heard.

Mayor Robb closed the public hearing.

A motion to adopt was made at the March 22, 2016 Regular Meeting.

Main Motion:

Moved by: Hoffman
Seconded by: Maczynski
Action: Postponed

No 1% base rate increases for all directors and authorize an up to a 5% merit increase for individual evaluations.

Main Motion:

Moved by: Herman
Seconded by: Welch
Action: Motion does not carry by a vote of 4-2
In favor: Robb Herman Hoffman Welch
Opposed: Fansler Albertson

Postpone with the goal to eliminate any transfers from the general fund for departments that don't need the modification.

Main Motion:

Moved by: Fansler
Seconded by: Albertson
Action: Motion carries by a vote of 5-1

In favor: Albertson Herman Fansler Hoffman Welch
Opposed: Robb

Item B – Public Hearing Of Ordinance 16-09: Authorizing The Refund Of Real Estate Sales Tax For Overpayments.

Mayor Robb opened the public hearing.

No one present to be heard.

Mayor Robb closed the public hearing.

Main Motion: Adopt Ordinance 16-09.

Moved by: Fansler
Seconded by: Hoffman
Action: Motion carries by a vote of 6-0
In favor: Robb Albertson Herman Fansler Hoffman Welch
Opposed: -0

Main Motion: Strike under Section 2. "committee" and insert "department."

Moved by: Fansler
Seconded by: Hoffman
Action: Motion carries by a vote of 6-0
In favor: Robb Albertson Herman Fansler Hoffman Welch
Opposed: -0

Item C – Public Hearing Of Budget Ordinance 15-14 (f): Amending The Fiscal Year 2016 Budget – Real Estate Sales Tax Overpayments.

Mayor Robb opened the public hearing.

No one present to be heard.

Mayor Robb closed the public hearing.

Main Motion: Adopt Budget Ordinance 15-14 (f)

Moved by: Welch
Seconded by: Fansler
Action: Motion carries by a vote of 6-0
In favor: Robb Albertson Herman Fansler Hoffman Welch
Opposed: -0

Item D – Public Hearing Of Ordinance 16-10: Repealing And Replacing Bethel Municipal Code 2.40, Access To Public Records.

Mayor Robb opened the public hearing.

No one present to be heard.

Mayor Robb closed the public hearing.

Main Motion: Adopt Ordinance 16-10.

Moved by: Fansler
Seconded by: Albertson
Action: Motion carries by a vote of 6-0
In favor: Robb Albertson Herman Fansler Hoffman Welch
Opposed: -0

Item E – Public Hearing Of Ordinance 16-11: Amending Bethel Municipal Code 18.36.030 To Add Alcohol Sales And Dispensing As A Conditional Use Permit Designation In The General Use Zone.

Mayor Robb opened the public hearing.

No one present to be heard.

Mayor Robb closed the public hearing.

Main Motion: Adopt Ordinance 16-11.

Moved by: Fansler
Seconded by: Albertson
Action: Motion carries by a vote of 6-0
In favor: Robb Albertson Herman Fansler Hoffman Welch
Opposed: -0

Item F – AM 16-25: Renewal Of Third Party Administrator With TPSC.

Main Motion: Postpone to the next regular meeting.

Moved by: Hoffman
Seconded by: Welch
Action: Motion carries by a vote of 6-0
In favor: Robb Albertson Herman Fansler Hoffman Welch
Opposed: -0

X. NEW BUSINESS

Item A – Introduction Of Budget Ordinance 15-14 (g): Amending The Fiscal Year 2016 Budget In The Amount of \$23,000.00 For Contracts Services Electronic Controls For The Pool And \$19,000.00 Pool Operational Audit.

Main Motion: Postpone the introduction of Budget Ordinance 15-14(g)

Moved by: Fansler
 Seconded by: Hoffman
 Action: Motion carries by a vote of 6-0
 In favor: Robb Albertson Herman Fansler Hoffman Welch
 Opposed: -0

Item B – Introduction Of Ordinance 16-12: Amending Bethel Municipal Code 2.04, City Council, Providing For Recess Of Council Meetings.

Main Motion: Introduce Ordinance 16-12.

Moved by: Hoffman
 Seconded by: Welch
 Action: Motion carries by a vote of 5-1
 In favor: Robb Herman Fansler Hoffman Welch
 Opposed: Albertson

Primary Amendment:

Amend the Ordinance to under Section A. un-strike the stricken language and un-underline the underlined language, leaving the Ordinance language without changes; amend Section B. to insert "After 11:00 p.m."

Moved by: Welch
 Seconded by: Albertson
 Action: Motion carries by a vote of 6-0
 In favor: Robb Albertson Herman Fansler Hoffman Welch
 Opposed: -0

Primary Amendment:

Amend to strike "the" and insert "'a super,"

Moved by: Fansler
 Seconded by: Albertson
 Action: Motion carries by a vote of 5-1
 In favor: Robb Albertson Herman Fansler Welch
 Opposed: Hoffman

Item C – Introduction Of Ordinance 16-13: Amending Bethel Municipal Code 13.16.070 By Striking The Annual Inflation Rate For Utility Rates.

Main Motion: Introduce Ordinance 16-13.

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

Item D – Resolution 16-14: Supporting The 2016 Cama-i Dance Festival By Providing A Donation In The Amount Of Sales Tax Collected On Admissions Sold To Attend The Festival.

Main Motion: Adopt Resolution 16-14.

Moved by:	Herman
Seconded by:	Welch
Action:	Motion carries by a vote of 4-1
In favor:	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Robb <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Albertson <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Herman <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Welch
Opposed:	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Hoffman

Council Member Fansler declared conflict of interest due to his position as the President of the Bethel Community of the Arts.

Mayor Robb ruled Council Member Fansler has a conflict of interest.

Council Member Fansler stepped down from the Council bench.

Item E – Resolution 16-15: Opposing Senate Bill 209, An Act Relating To Increasing Employer Contributions To The Defined Benefit Plan In The Public Employees' Retirement System In Alaska.

Passed on the consent agenda.

Item F – Resolution 16-16: City Council Opposing Oil Tax Credits.

Passed on the consent agenda.

Item G – Resolution 16-17: Requesting Legislature To Develop A Sustainable Budget Plan.

Passed on the consent agenda.

Item H – AM 16-26: Authorizing The City Manager To Release A Request For Proposals For Professional Services To Perform The Full Range Of Services Related To An Employee Classification And Compensation Study For The City Of Bethel.

Main Motion: Approve AM 16-26.

Moved by:	Hoffman
Seconded by:	Fansler
Action:	Postponed

Main Motion: Postpone until the next regular meeting.

Moved by: Welch
Seconded by: Hoffman
Action: Motion carries by a vote of 5-1
In favor: Albertson Herman Fansler Hoffman Welch
Opposed: Robb

Item I – AM 16-27: Approve Counsilman-Hunsaker As Sole Provider Of Operational Audit Services For The Pool Equipment, HVAC System, and Pool Management Practices at YK Fitness Center.

Main Motion: Approve AM 16-27

Moved by: Herman
Seconded by: Welch
Action: Motion carries by a vote of 6-0
In favor: Robb Albertson Herman Fansler Hoffman Welch
Opposed: -0

Item J – AM 16-28: To Approve The Purchase Of 15 Bush Shelters From Brasco International.

Main Motion: Approve AM 16-28.

Moved by: Herman
Seconded by: Welch
Action: Postponed

Main Motion: Suspend the rules to hear from John Sargent, Grant Manager.

Moved by: Fansler
Seconded by: Herman
Action: Motion carries by a vote of 6-0
In favor: Robb Albertson Herman Fansler Hoffman Welch
Opposed: -0

Main Motion: Postpone

Moved by: Fansler
Seconded by: Hoffman
Action: Motion carries by a vote of 6-0
In favor: Robb Albertson Herman Fansler Hoffman Welch
Opposed: -0

Item K – AM 16-29: Direct The City Manager To Sign The Aquatic Operations Agreement Between The City Of Bethel, As "Owner" and Counsilman-Hunsaker as "Consultant."

Main Motion: Approve AM 16-29.

Moved by:	
Seconded by:	
Action:	Motion carries by a vote of 6-0
In favor:	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Robb <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Albertson <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Herman <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Fansler <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Hoffman <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Welch
Opposed:	-0

Item L – AM 16-30: To Approve The Purchase And Instillation Contract From ProComm Alaska For The E911 System.

Main Motion: Approve AM 16-30.

Moved by:	Herman
Seconded by:	Fansler
Action:	Motion carries by a vote of 6-0
In favor:	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Robb <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Albertson <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Herman <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Fansler <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Hoffman <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Welch
Opposed:	-0

Item M – AM 16-31: Approve The E911 System Maintenance Contract With ProComm Alaska.

Main Motion: Postpone Indefinitely.

Moved by:	Welch
Seconded by:	Hoffman
Action:	Motion carries by a vote of 6-0
In favor:	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Robb <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Maczynski <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Albertson <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Herman <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Fansler <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Hoffman <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Welch
Opposed:	-0

XI. MAYOR'S REPORT

XII. MANAGER'S REPORT

XIII. CLERK'S REPORT

XIV. COUNCIL MEMBER COMMENTS

Mayor Richard Robb –
Be safe out there and enjoy the weather.

Council Member Albertson –

No comment.

Council Member Chuck Herman –
No comment.

Council Member Zach Fansler –
Congratulated everyone that helped out with Cama-i it was a successful event. Be safe out there.

Council Member Nikki Hoffman –
Appreciate everyone’s hard work. It is getting warm out, the river is not safe.

Council Member Alisha Welch –
Congratulated the LKSD Archery Team. Thanked Donlin for presenting tonight.

XV. ADJOURNMENT

Main Motion: Adjourn

Moved by:	Hoffman
Seconded by:	Fansler
Action:	Motion carries by a vote of 6-0
In favor:	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Robb <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Albertson <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Herman <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Fansler <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Hoffman <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Welch
Opposed:	-0

Council adjourned at 10:56 p.m.



Richard Robb, Mayor

ATTEST:



Lori Strickler, City Clerk