

I. CALL TO ORDER

A Regular Meeting of the Bethel City Council was held on August 12, 2014 at 6:30 pm, in the council chambers, Bethel, Alaska.

Vice-Mayor 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:

Vice-Mayor Rick Robb, Council Member Leif Albertson, Council Member Sharon Sigmon, Council Member Heather Pike, Council Member Mark Springer, Mayor Joseph Klejka

Members Absent were:
Council Member Eric Whitney

Also in attendance were the following:

City Clerk Lori Strickler, Interim City Manager Greg Moyer, City Attorney Patty Burley

IV. PEOPLE TO BE HEARD

Ross Boring- Spoke in opposition to Action Memorandum 14-56. The Bethel Sportsman Club has always been about safety; they were requested by the former City Manager, to cease and desist any construction or modification to the land under the lease area.

Mike Burley – Spoke in opposition to Action Memorandum 14-56. As a member of the Bethel Sportsman Club, wanted to make sure the Council is informed in their understanding of the property under the lease authority of the Bethel Sportsman Club, owned by the City. There was an extensive public process in the establishment of the shooting range.

Fritz Charles- A dog attacked a young child last week, there needs to be more proactive control over the loose dogs in our community.

Buck Bukowski- A member of the ATG Memorial Park Board, finds concerns over the procurement requirements recently established by the City.

Beverly Hoffman- Believes there is room for improvement in the area of Police training and the insuring the officers are comfortable working in a culturally sensitive area. Spoke in favor of Ordinance 14-16.

Dave Trantham- The Adjunct General with the State of Alaska visited the Alaska Territorial Guard Park and gave the park a five star rating; the Deputy Director visited the park and gave the park a five star rating.

Gary Hanson- Attended the meeting when the previous City Manager suggested ceasing and desisting and improvements or modification to the land identified in the lease agreement. Requests the City honor the lease agreement that is in place, so that all of the public can enjoy the amenities provided.

Kent Harding-Provided support to the Police Department and their effort in dealing with the protect custody/inebriates. It is a difficult task and the Council should address the fact that the inebriates are in need of help, and medical help. Suggested a privatized company or other organization that is specially trained in dealing with this situation to come in and deal with this situation.

Council Member Springer and Mayor Klejka arrived at 7:05p.

Agnes Gregory- Her brother was the target of the police brutality a few weeks ago. As reported, her brother was not doing anything wrong; he was just walking, although intoxicated. Suggested specified training on how to deal and work with the cultural; there must be cultural awareness. Would like to know why the officer has not been suspended, he should be suspended until the investigation is over.

Margaret Revet- The Police should be in this community to serve and protect.

Joseph Moses Jr.- Born and raised in this community, every member of Council took an oath to better serve this community. The people of this community are being degraded by the city employees and the City Council. The representatives of the City need to do their jobs.

Diane Wassillie-Dock- Former Chief of Police promised during an ONC Council meeting, the police officers would be receiving cultural training; according to the new chief of police, that has not happened.

Martin Smith- Representing the Bethel Sportsman Club, the Club has been unable to secure grants currently available to them because of the ceases and desist order provided to them from the former city manager. The Club would like to continue their work on the property and hopes the council will provide that authority.

V. APPROVAL OF THE CONSENT AND REGULAR AGENDA

Main Motion: To approve the Consent and Regular Agenda.

Moved by:	Sigmon
Seconded by:	Pike
Action:	Motion carried unanimously by a vote of 6-0
In favor:	Klejka, Springer, Robb, Sigmon, Albertson and Pike
Opposed:	None

Primary Amendment: Would like to move AM 14-54 to the first item of business under New Business.

Moved by:	Pike
Seconded by:	Springer
Action:	Motion carried unanimously by a vote of 6-0
In favor:	Klejka, Springer, Robb, Sigmon, Albertson and Pike
Opposed:	None

Removal from the Consent Agenda:

Agenda: Remove Ordinance 14-16 from the consent agenda.

Moved by:	Springer
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Removal from the Consent Agenda:

Agenda: Remove Ordinances 14-19 and 14-20 from the consent agenda.

Moved by:	Robb
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VI. APPROVAL OF THE MEETING MINUTES

Item A - 7-22-14 Regular City Council Meeting
Passed on the consent agenda.

VII. REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES

Item A - Port Commission –
 Pete Williams, Port Director-

The Port Commission will be meeting the coming Monday. The small boat harbor project is coming along. The parking has been a bit of an issue; if you are going to park overnight, approach one of the attendance for direction.

Item B - Planning Commission –

Rachael Pitts-Held a public hearing on the Final Plats for Pinky’s Park Subdivision and Snow Ridge Subdivision as well as a Preliminary Plat on the Proposed AVCP Family Services Subdivision.

Item C - Public Safety and Transportation Commission-

Sharon Sigmon, Council Representative-

A meeting has not been held, the next meeting is scheduled for the first Tuesday of September.

Item D - Energy Committee –

Richard Robb, Committee Representative-

The next meeting will be held, September 8.

Item E - Public Works Committee-

No one available to provide a report.

Item F - Finance Committee-

Leif Albertson, Council Representative –

Not available to provide an update, attended a council meeting held at the same time.

Item G - Parks and Recreations Committee-

No one available to provide a report.

VIII. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Item A – Public Hearing Of Ordinance 14-12: Amending Bethel Municipal Code Chapter 13.16 Utility Rates.

Vice-Mayor Robb Opened the Public Hearing

No one wished to be heard.

Vice-Mayor Robb Closed the Public Hearing

Main Motion: A motion to adopt Ordinance 14-12 was made on May 27th Council Meeting.

Moved by:	Pike
Seconded by:	Whitney
Action:	Item Postponed

Main Motion: Postpone until the September 18, Special City Council Meeting.

Moved by: Klejka
Seconded by: Pike
Action: Motion carried unanimously by a vote of 6-0
In favor: Klejka, Springer, Robb, Sigmon, Albertson and Pike
Opposed: None

Item B - Public Hearing Of Ordinance 14-14(b): Amending The Adopted Annual FY 2015 Budget-*YK Aquatic Center Fund.*

*Vice-Mayor Robb Opened the Public Hearing.
No one wished to be heard.
Vice-Mayor Robb Closed the Public Hearing.*

Main Motion: Adopt Ordinance 14-14 (b)

Moved by: Sigmon
Seconded by: Pike
Action: Motion carried unanimously by a vote of 6-0
In favor: Klejka, Springer, Robb, Sigmon, Albertson and Pike
Opposed: None

Item C- Public Hearing Of Ordinance 14-14(c): Amending The Adopted Annual FY 2015 Budget-*Other Professional Services.*

*Vice-Mayor Robb Opened the Public Hearing.
No one wished to be heard.
Vice-Mayor Robb Closed the Public Hearing.*

Main Motion: Adopt Ordinance 14-14 (C)

Moved by: Springer
Seconded by: Pike
Action: Motion carried unanimously by a vote of 6-0
In favor: Klejka, Springer, Robb, Sigmon, Albertson and Pike
Opposed: None

Main Motion: Suspend the rules to hear from the finance director.

Moved by: Pike
Seconded by: Sigmon
Action: Motion carried unanimously by a vote of 6-0
In favor: Klejka, Springer, Robb, Sigmon, Albertson and Pike
Opposed: None

Primary Amendment: Decrease line item 10-53-649 by \$26,100.
Insert an Increase to 10-418 by \$70,000.

Moved by: Pike
Seconded by: Sigmon
Action: Motion carried by a vote of 5-1
In favor: Klejka, Springer, Robb, Sigmon, Albertson and Pike
Opposed: Springer

Item D- Public Hearing Of Ordinance 14-17: Amending Section 4.20.100, Purchasing.

*Vice-Mayor Robb Opened the Public Hearing.
No one wished to be heard.
Vice-Mayor Robb Closed the Public Hearing.*

Main Motion: Adopt Ordinance 14-17.

Moved by: Sigmon
Seconded by: Albertson
Action: Motion carried unanimously by a vote of 6-0
In favor: Klejka, Springer, Robb, Sigmon, Albertson and Pike
Opposed: None

Item E- Public Hearing Of Ordinance 14-18: Acquisition Of Land Hoffman Fuels.

*Vice-Mayor Robb Opened the Public Hearing.
No one wished to be heard.
Vice-Mayor Robb Closed the Public Hearing.*

Main Motion: Adopt Ordinance 14-18.

Moved by: Sigmon
Seconded by: Springer
Action: Motion carried unanimously by a vote of 6-0
In favor: Klejka, Springer, Robb, Sigmon, Albertson and Pike
Opposed: None

Main Motion: To take a ten minute break

Moved by: Pike
Seconded by: Albertson
Action: Motion carried unanimously by a vote of 6-0
In favor: Klejka, Springer, Robb, Sigmon, Albertson and Pike
Opposed: None

IX. NEW BUSINESS

Item H - AM 14-56: Directing Administration to Bethel Sportsman Club Shotgun Range.

Main Motion: Approve AM 14-56.

Moved by:	Albertson
Seconded by:	Klejka
Action:	Motion does not carry by a vote of 3-3
In favor:	Klejka, Springer and Albertson
Opposed:	Robb, Pike, Sigmon

Main Motion: Postpone until the next regular meeting.

Moved by:	Springer
Seconded by:	Klejka
Action:	Does not carry by a vote of 3-3
In favor:	Klejka, Albertson, Klejka,
Opposed:	Robb, Pike, Sigmon

Main Motion: Move item E under New Business to the next item of business.

Moved by:	Sigmon
Seconded by:	Albertson
Action:	Motion carried unanimously by a vote of 6-0
In favor:	Klejka, Springer, Robb, Sigmon, Albertson and Pike
Opposed:	None

Item E – AM 14-54: Accept And Adopt The Bethel Institutional Corridor Water System Feasibility Study Update Final Report.

Main Motion: Approve AM 14-54.

Moved by:	Sigmon
Seconded by:	Albertson
Action:	Motion carried unanimously by a vote of 6-0
In favor:	Klejka, Springer, Robb, Sigmon, Albertson and Pike
Opposed:	None

Main Motion: Suspend the rules to hear from members of the public and City staff.

Moved by:	Pike
Seconded by:	Sigmon
Action:	Motion carried unanimously by a vote of 6-0
In favor:	Klejka, Springer, Robb, Sigmon, Albertson and Pike
Opposed:	None

Newton Chase from YKHC, spoke in favor of the Feasibility Study.

Item A – Introduction Of Ordinance 14-16: Establishing Kuimavik As The Community Advisory Committee For The Yukon Kuskokwim Health And Training Center.

Main Motion: Introduce Ordinance 14-16.

Moved by:	Springer
Seconded by:	Pike
Action:	Motion carried unanimously by a vote of 6-0
In favor:	Klejka, Springer, Robb, Sigmon, Albertson and Pike
Opposed:	None

Item B – Introduction Of Ordinance 14-19: Approving The Acquisition Of City Property/Land Located On US Survey 3790, Block 6, Lot 15D.

Main Motion: Introduce Ordinance 14-19.

Moved by:	Pike
Seconded by:	Sigmon
Action:	Motion carried unanimously by a vote of 6-0
In favor:	Klejka, Springer, Robb, Sigmon, Albertson and Pike
Opposed:	None

Item C- Introduction Of Ordinance 14-20: Approving The Re-Acquisition Of City Property/Land Located At Lot 1-A, Block 16, USS 3230 A & B, Bethel, Alaska.

Main Motion: Introduce Ordinance 14-20.

Moved by:	Sigmon
Seconded by:	Pike
Action:	Motion carried unanimously by a vote of 6-0
In favor:	Klejka, Springer, Robb, Sigmon, Albertson and Pike
Opposed:	None

Item F - City Council's Approval Of The City Manager Contract Of Employment And Relocation Agreement.

Main Motion: Postpone until the next regular meeting.

Moved by:	Springer
Seconded by:	Albertson
Action:	Motion carried by a vote of 4-2
In favor:	Albertson, Sigmon, Klejka, Springer
Opposed:	Pike, Robb

Item I- Personal Time Off Request For City Attorney, September 3 Through September 8, 2014.

Passed on the consent agenda.

XII. MAYOR'S REPORT

XIII. MANAGERS REPORT

XIV. CITY CLERK'S REPORT

XV. COUNCIL MEMBER COMMENTS

Council Member Springer-

The City is looking hard at the things brought up at people to be heard.

Council Member Sigmon-

Beautiful day here in Bethel.

Council Member Albertson-

Has been a member of the NRA since he was born, it was a difficult decision to bring up the suggested discussions to the Bethel Sportsman Club Lease agreement.

The City's Regular election is right around the corner, encouraged people to run for the City Council.

Council Member Pike-

Apologized for a statement that she made at the last city council meeting regarding the encouragement to vote for a specific issue.

Mayor Klejka-

It is nice and sunny in Nome, Alaska.

Vice-Mayor Robb-

Thanked the people who came to speak to the Council tonight. The City will be working on the issues brought up.

Hoped everyone is having a safe boating summer.

XVI. EXECUTIVE SESSION

Item A - 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 Regarding The Investigation Of Administrative And Personnel Matters As Authorized By The City Council, February 11, 2014.

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 Regarding The Investigation Of Administrative And Personnel Matters As Authorized By The City Council, February 11, 2014. Those participating will be the City Attorney.

Main Motion:

Moved by:	Springer
Seconded by:	Sigmon
Action:	Motion carried unanimously by a vote of 6-0
In favor:	Klejka, Springer, Robb, Sigmon, Albertson and Pike
Opposed:	None

Council exited executive session at 10:52p.

Council Member Springer and Mayor Klejka departed the meeting.

Move into executive session 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 Regarding The Investigation Of Administrative And Personnel Matters As Authorized By The City Council, February 11, 2014. City Council Member and City Manager.

Main Motion:

Moved by:	Sigmon
Seconded by:	Pike
Action:	Motion carried unanimously by a vote of 4-0
In favor:	Robb, Sigmon, Albertson and Pike
Opposed:	None

Council entered into executive session at 11:02p

XVII. ADJOURNMENT

Main Motion: Adjourn

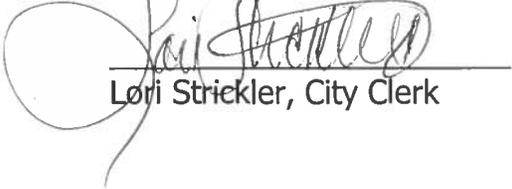
Moved by:	Sigmon
Seconded by:	Pike
Action:	Motion carried unanimously by a vote of 4-0
In favor:	Robb, Sigmon, Albertson and Pike
Opposed:	None

Council exited executive session at 11:28p.



Joseph A. Klejka, Mayor

ATTEST:



Lori Strickler, City Clerk