

**I. CALL TO ORDER**

A Regular Meeting of the Bethel City Council was held on August 13, 2013 at 6:30pm, in the council chambers, Bethel, Alaska.

In the absence of the Mayor and Vice-Mayor City Clerk, Lori Strickler called the meeting to order at 6:37p.

**II. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

**III. ROLL CALL**

Comprising a quorum of the Council, the following members were present:

Council Member Mary Sattler, Council Member Rick Robb, Council Member Eric Whitney, Council Member Sharon Sigmon and Council Member Mark Springer (arrived after roll call)

Members Absent were:

Vice-Mayor Gene Jr. Peltola and Mayor Joseph Klejka

Also in attendance were the following:

City Clerk Lori Strickler, City Manager Lee Foley, City Attorney Patty Burley

In the absence of the Mayor and Vice-Mayor, the Council went through nominations of Mayor Pro Temp.

**Nominate Council Member Whitney as Mayor Pro  
Temp.**

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**Main Motion:**

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

**IV. PEOPLE TO BE HEARD**

No one present to be heard.

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

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

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

**Remove the introduction of Ordinance 13-20 from the consent agenda.**

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Moved by: | Robb

**Primary Amendment #2: Amend the Consent and Regular Agenda by postponing the executive session evaluation of the City Attorney until the next meeting.**

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

**Primary Amendment #3: Amend the Consent and Regular Agenda by postponing the Special Order of Business item, appreciation to Vice-Mayor Peltola.**

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

**VI. APPROVAL OF THE MEETING MINUTES**

**Item A-** July 23, 2013 City Council Regular Meeting Minutes.  
*Passed on the Consent Agenda.*

## **VII. REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES**

**Item A-** Port Commission –  
Port Director, Pete Williams-  
Working on the Bethel Docks.

**Item B-** Planning Commission  
Council Representative Rick Robb –  
Set the agenda for the coming year.  
Discussed economic development and the impacts of Donlin Gold to the  
community.  
The Planning Commission has two vacancies.

**Item C-**Public Works Committee –  
No one available to provide a report.

**Item D-**Energy Committee –  
Council Member Whitney-  
Not able to provide a report of the committees last meeting.

**Item E-**Public Safety and Transportation Commission-  
Sharon Sigmon, Council Representative-  
Looked over an agreement between Bethel Friends of Canines and the  
City to help promote a no kill shelter for the community.

**Item F-** Finance Committee-  
Finance Director Bobby Sutton-  
The next finance committee meeting will be held on the fourth Monday of  
this month.

**Item G-**Parks and Recreations Committee  
Council Member Mary Sattler-  
The last meeting was held on August 5<sup>th</sup>.  
The Parks and Recreation committee is working diligently on the Bethel  
Fair.

## **VIII. UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

**Item A – Introduction Of Ordinance 13-19: Amending BMC Title 15 To  
Rescind Title 15.04 Hazards and Nuisances And To Enact 15.03  
Abandoned Homes.**

**Main Motion: Introduce Ordinance 13-19.**

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Moved by: Robb  
Seconded by: Sigmon  
Action: Motion failed by a vote of 1-4  
In favor: Robb  
Opposed: Sattler, Springer, Whitney and Sigmon

*Council Member Mark Springer arrived at 7:01p.*

**Incidental Motion: Motion to suspend the rules to hear from the Planning Director Rachael Pitts on this issue.**

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Moved by: Robb  
Seconded by: Sigmon  
Action: Motion carried unanimously by a vote of 5-0  
In favor: Sattler, Springer, Robb, Whitney and Sigmon  
Opposed: None

**IX. NEW BUSINESS**

**Item A – Introduction Of Ordinance 13-20: An Ordinance Establishing Section 9.38 Chronic Nuisances.**

**Main Motion: Introduce Ordinance 13-20.**

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Moved by: Sigmon  
Seconded by: Robb  
Action: Motion fails by a vote of 2-3  
In favor: Sigmon and Whitney  
Opposed: Springer, Sattler and Robb

**Incidental Motion: Motion to suspend the rules to hear from the Police Chief, Larry Elarton.**

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Moved by: Sattler  
Seconded by: Sigmon  
Action: Motion carried unanimously by a vote of 5-0  
In favor: Sattler, Springer, Robb, Whitney and Sigmon  
Opposed: None

**Incidental Motion: Motion to suspend the rules to hear from the public on this issue.**

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Moved by: Sattler  
Seconded by: Springer  
Action: Motion carried unanimously by a vote of 5-0  
In favor: Sattler, Springer, Robb, Whitney and Sigmon  
Opposed: None

**Item B –Rescind Ordinance 12-08: Acquisition Of Real Property Alaska Housing Finance Corporation, Located At Lot 10, Block 3, Plat 87-6.**

**Main Motion: Rescind Ordinance 12-08.**

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Moved by: Sattler  
Seconded by: Springer  
Action: Motion carried unanimously by a vote of 5-0  
In favor: Sattler, Springer, Robb, Whitney and Sigmon  
Opposed: None

**Item C – AM 13-16: Travel And Training Request For City Attorney.**  
*Passed on the consent agenda.*

**Item D- AM - Approval Of Evaluation Mechanism For City Attorney’s Annual Evaluation.**

**Main Motion: Approve AM 13-17.**

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Moved by: Sattler  
Seconded by: Robb  
Action: Motion carried unanimously by a vote of 5-0  
In favor: Sattler, Springer, Robb, Whitney and Sigmon  
Opposed: None

**Primary Amendment #1: Amend to insert under Interaction with City Council to include “Regular attendance of council meeting and a second line to state, availability for committee and commission meetings.**

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Moved by: Sattler  
Seconded by: Springer  
Action: Motion carried unanimously by a vote of 5-0  
In favor: Sattler, Springer, Robb, Whitney and Sigmon  
Opposed: None

**Primary  
Amendment #2: Amend to insert under Interaction with City  
Council "Grammatically correct and internally  
consistent language in Ordinances".**

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Moved by:	Sattler
Seconded by:	Robb
Action:	Motion carried unanimously by a vote of 5-0
In favor:	Sattler, Springer, Robb, Whitney and Sigmon
Opposed:	None

**XII. MAYOR'S REPORT**

**XIII. MANAGERS REPORT**

**XIV. CITY CLERK'S REPORT**

**XV. COUNCIL MEMBER COMMENTS**

Council Member Springer-  
Senator Cantwell will be accompanying Senator Murkowski.  
Best dust control tool is the rear view mirror, slow down and the cloud of dust will be lower.  
Hopes the slowing trend stays gradual.

Council Member Robb-  
Thanked Mayor Pro Tem for his running of the meeting.  
If anyone is interested in running for council he deadline for declaration of candidacy is August 20<sup>th</sup>,  
For the hunters, it is time to apply for the moose and caribou tags.  
Good luck berry picking.

Council Member Sattler-  
Bethel's air quality is poor with all of the dust on the roads which need to be addressed. The City Council needs to get serious about this issue.  
The elementary school and Jr. High schools are opening. Please watch the traffic around school zones.

Council Member Sigmon-  
Anyone in Bethel, if you choose to cause harm to puppies, cats, please come to city council and tell us why you are doing this.  
Appreciate the community working together, really enjoying the summer.

Council Member Whitney-  
Touching on dust control, there are a number of roads that have been  
free of a lot of dust, specifically the BIA.

**XVI. ADJOURNMENT**

**Main Motion: Adjournment**

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Moved by:	Springer
Seconded by:	Sattler
Action:	Motion carried unanimously by a vote of 5-0
In favor:	Sattler, Springer, Robb, Whitney and Sigmon
Opposed:	None

  
Eric Whitney, Mayor Pro Temp.

ATTEST:

  
Lori Strickler, City Clerk