

**I. CALL TO ORDER**

A Regular Meeting of the Bethel City Council was held on August 26, 2014 at 6:30 pm, in the council chambers, Bethel, Alaska.

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

Members Absent were:  
Council Member Mark Springer

Also in attendance were the following:  
City Clerk Lori Strickler, Interim City Manager Greg Moyer, City Attorney Patty Burley

**IV. PEOPLE TO BE HEARD**

David Trantham Jr. – Requested the City Manager Report be provided in the Public Council Packet.

Trantham suggested the City of Bethel work more cooperatively with the Alaska Territorial Guard Board Members with the purchasing of their supplies for the ATG Park.

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

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

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Moved by:	Pike
Seconded by:	Whitney

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

**Removal from  
Consent Agenda:** Ord. 14-14 (d), 14-14 (e), 14-21 and 14-22.

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Moved by: Robb

## **VI. APPROVAL OF THE MEETING MINUTES**

**Item A** - 8-12-2014 Regular City Council Meeting.  
*Pass on the consent agenda.*

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

**Item A** - Port Commission –  
Pete Williams, Port Director-  
The boat harbor will be in the clean up mode over the next few weeks.

**Item B** - Planning Commission –  
Heather Pike, Council Representative-  
Final Plat for Pinky’s Park subdivision was approved at the last meeting.

**Item C** - Public Safety and Transportation Commission-  
Sharon Sigmon, Council Representative-  
Next meeting is September 2, 2014. It is the first after a summer break.

**Item D** - Energy Committee –  
Richard Robb, Committee Representative-  
The next meeting will be held September 8.

**Item E** - Public Works Committee-  
Joseph Klejka, Council Representative-  
A quorum was not established, no meeting was held.

**Item F** - Finance Committee-  
Leif Albertson, Council Representative –  
An appeal to a sales tax finding was discussed; the Committee will be holding a meeting to review the appeal.  
An amendment to the sales tax ordinance was considered by the Committee.

**Item G** - Parks and Recreations Committee-  
Eric Whitney, Council Representative-

A Trails Working Group Meeting September 10, at 6:00p in the Council Chambers. This will provide the community a chance to provide their feedback on how the trails will be maintained and extended.

**VIII. UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

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

*Mayor Klejka opened the Public Hearing.  
No one wished to be heard.  
Mayor Klejka closed the Public Hearing.*

Motion to Adopt Ordinance 14-12 was made at the May 27, 2014 Regular City Council Meeting.

**Main Motion:**

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

Amend Sections 13.16.020 B and C for Hauled Water Zone one and Zone Two and for Section 13.16.030 B Hauled Sewer Services.

**Primary Amendment:**

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

Amend to strike the water rates for the 6,000 and 7,000 from the charts provided.

**Primary Amendment:**

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

**Incidental**

**Motion:**

To hear from Hansel Mathlaw, Finance Director

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

Section 13.16.020 A. Water Service, to strike "recover" and insert "fund" and to strike "and depreciation."

**Primary Amendment:** Under Section 13.16.040 A. Sewage Services, to strike "recover" and insert "fund" and to strike "and depreciation."

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

**Subsidiary Motion:** Postpone until the next regular meeting.

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

**Item B – Public Hearing Of Ordinance 14-16:** Establishing Kuimavik As The Community Advisory Committee For The Yukon Kuskokwim Health And Training Center.

*Mayor Klejka opened the Public Hearing.*

*No one wished to be heard.*

*Mayor Klejka closed the Public Hearing.*

**Main Motion:** Adopt Ordinance 14-16.

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

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

*Mayor Klejka opened the Public Hearing.*

*No one wished to be heard.*

*Mayor Klejka closed the Public Hearing.*

**Main Motion:** Adopt Ordinance 14-19.

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Moved by: Whitney  
Seconded by: Pike  
Action: Motion carried unanimously by a vote of 6-0  
In favor: Klejka, Robb, Sigmon, Albertson, Whitney and Pike

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Opposed: | None

**Main Motion:** Amend the third Whereas statement to insert "square" after 978.50.

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

**Item D – Public Hearing 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.

*Mayor Klejka opened the Public Hearing.  
No one wished to be heard.  
Mayor Klejka closed the Public Hearing.*

**Main Motion:** Adopt Ordinance 14-20.

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

## IX. NEW BUSINESS

**Item A – Introduction Of Budget Ordinance 14-14 (d):** Transferring Funds To Provide For The Potential Extension Of The Interim City Manager's Contract.

**Main Motion:** Introduce Budget Ordinance 14-14 (d).

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

**Item B – Introduction Of Budget Ordinance 14-14 (e):** Transferring Funds To Provide For The General Maintenance Of The Senior Center Building Upon The Transfer Of The Building From ONC On September 30, 2014.

**Main Motion:** Introduce Budget Ordinance 14-14 (e).

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Moved by: Sigmon  
Seconded by: Whitney  
Action: Motion carried unanimously by a vote of 5-1

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In favor: Klejka, Sigmon, Albertson, Whitney and Pike  
Opposed: Robb

**Item C- Introduction Of Ordinance 14-21: Amending Bethel Municipal Code 3.64.050, Personnel Rules And Regulations, Employment Of Relatives.**

**Main Motion:** Introduce Ordinance 14-21.

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

**Item D – Introduction Of Ordinance 14-22: Providing For The Disposal Of City Owned Land In The Form Of Lease Agreements Authorized By The City Manager For Short Term Employee Housing At the Annex.**

**Main Motion:** Introduce Ordinance 14-22.

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

**Item E – AM 14-57: Approving The Appointment Of Kathy Hanson To The Planning Commission.**

**Main Motion:** Approve AM 14-57.

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

**Item F - AM 14-58: Approval Of Standard Lease Form And Policy And Procedure For Future Short Term Housing Leases At The Annex.**

**Main Motion:** Approve AM 14-58.

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Moved by: Sigmon  
Seconded by: Whitney  
Action: Item Postponed.

**Subsidiary**

**Motion :** Suspend the rules to hear from the gallery.

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

**Subsidiary Motion:** Postpone until the next regular meeting.

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

**Item G – AM 14-59: Letter Of Support To Alaska Village Electric Cooperative For The Bethel Heat Recovery Assessment Project.**

**Main Motion:** Approve AM 14-59.

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

**Item H – Follow-up Review Of Current City Of Bethel Leases.**

**Item I – Directing The City Clerk To Arrange Travel To Bethel For The City Manager Finalist(s) For On Site Visit And Interviews.**

**Main Motion:** Direct City Clerk to arrange travel for Mr. Bratton.

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

Item J –Personal Time Off For The City Attorney, September 15-18, 2014.  
*Passed on the consent agenda.*

## **XII. MAYOR'S REPORT**

## **XIII. MANAGERS REPORT**

## **XIV. CITY CLERK'S REPORT**

## **XV. COUNCIL MEMBER COMMENTS**

Council Member Sigmon-  
School has started, please watch out for the kids.  
A shout out to the Bethel Friends of Canines going up in Tundra Ridge.

Council Member Albertson-  
No comment.

Council Member Pike-  
No comment.

Mayor Klejka-  
Thanked George Young, Fire Chief for all of his hard work.  
Encourage the community to take a hard look at Ordinance 14-12.

Council Member Whitney-  
Eat your vegetables.

Vice-Mayor Robb-  
The Council would like to thank Fire Chief George Young for his public service.  
The fishing season is running down and the hunting season is opening up, good luck to the hunters.  
Wednesday and Thursday, the Bethel Sportsmans Club is opening the gun range for sitting in their rifles.

## **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.

Go into Executive Session for 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.

Go 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

**Main Motion:** Entity/Potential Litigation Regarding Settlement Demand Letter

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Received From Law Firm of David Henderson On Behalf Of Irvin Kreider.

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

**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 Regarding Settlement Demand Letter Received From Law Firm of David Henderson On Behalf Of Irvin Kreider.

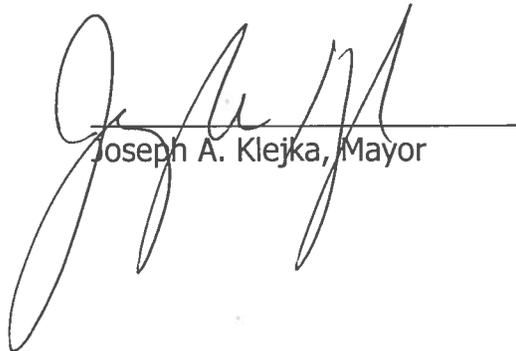
*Council went back on the record at 10:27p.*

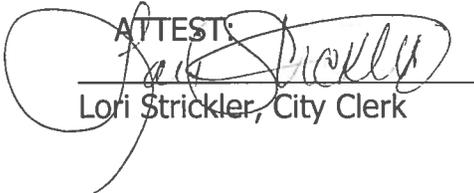
## **XVII. ADJOURNMENT**

**Main Motion:** Adjourn.

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

  
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Joseph A. Klejka, Mayor

ATTEST:  
  
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Lori Strickler, City Clerk