
City of Bethel, Alaska

Finance Committee Minutes

Monday January 30, 2017

Regular Meeting

Bethel, Alaska

CALL TO ORDER

A regular meeting of the Finance Committee was held on January 30, at 6:30 p.m. in City Council Chambers.

Chair Carol Ann Willard called the meeting to order at 6:30 PM.

ROLL CALL

Comprising a quorum of the Committee, the following were present:

Albertson, Cochrane, Egoak, Shear, Willard, Franko

Excused absences: Trantham, Russell

Unexcused Absences: None

Also in attendance were the following:

Patty Burley, City Attorney

Hansel Mathlaw, Finance Director

Carole Jung, Recorder

PEOPLE TO BE HEARD

Merrill Lake- Spoke regarding the sales tax revision, asked who proposed the revisions and if there were studies done.

Buck Bukowski- Spoke regarding the sales tax code, says they are paying much more in taxes than they should.

Bonnie Bradbury- Remax realtor, she sees the sales tax as an income tax.

Lorin Bradbury- Buys fuel for his rentals, and pays sales tax twice. How can it be different than a restaurant re-sale. The restaurants don't pay sales tax twice.

MOTION: APPROVAL OF AGENDA

MOVED BY:	Cochrane	To approve the agenda.
SECONDED BY:	Albertson	

VOTE ON MOTION	Motion carried by unanimous vote.

MOTION: APROVAL OF MINUTES OF November 28, 2016

MOVED BY:	Cochrane	To approve the minutes of the November 28 regular meeting.
SECONDED BY:	Albertson	

VOTE ON MOTION	Motion carried by unanimous vote.

NEW BUSINESS:

Committee Elections-1st meeting of the year- Finance Committee

MOTION: Vote for Jon Cochrane to become the Chair

MOVED BY:	Shear	Jon Cochrane the Chair for the Finance Committee 2017.
SECONDED BY:	Egoak	

VOTE ON MOTION	Motion carried by unanimous vote.

MOTION: Vote for Carol Ann Willard to become Vice Chair

MOVED BY:	Cochrane	For Carol Ann Willard to become Vice Chair for 2017.
SECONDED BY:	Shear	

VOTE ON MOTION	Motion carried by unanimous vote.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Sales Tax Code- Finance Committee

MOTION: To Go into Committee as a whole

MOVED BY:	Shear	To go into Committee as a whole to discuss the sales tax changes.
SECONDED BY:	Willard	

VOTE ON MOTION	Motion carried by unanimous vote.

MOTION: To Come out of Committee as a whole.

MOVED BY:	Shear	To come out of committee as a whole.
SECONDED BY:	Willard	

VOTE ON MOTION	Motion carried by unanimous vote.

MOTION: To schedule a special meeting.

MOVED BY:	Shear	To schedule a special meeting for sales tax on Feb. 13, 2017 at 6:30 PM.
SECONDED BY:	Willard	

VOTE ON MOTION	Motion carried by unanimous vote.

COMMENTS

Council Rep- The audit from 2015 came out. There is going to be a new port office built. We would like to get this sales tax changes to council soon. Looking at a new council soon.

Finance Director- No comments.

Member Egoak – No comments.

Chair Cochrane – No comments.

Vice Chair Willard- Thanks to Jon for taking the Chair.

Member Shear- Thank you for accepting to be Chair, Jon.

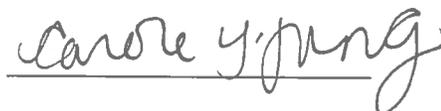
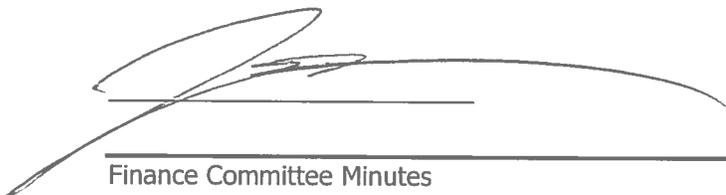
Member Franko- Thank you for this opportunity.

ADJOURNMENT

MOVED BY:	Cochrane	To adjourn the meeting. Next meeting will be held on Monday, Feb, 13 at 6:30 PM.
SECONDED BY:	Willard	

VOTE ON MOTION	Motion carried by unanimous vote.
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APPROVED THIS 27 DAY OF Feb, 2017.



Jon Cochrane, Chair
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