
City of Bethel Energy Committee

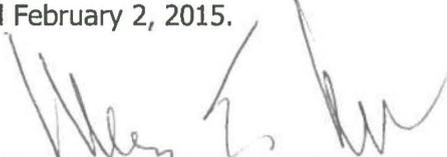
January 5, 2015

Regular Meeting

Bethel, Alaska

No Meeting Held

The regular meeting of the Energy Committee was not held on January 5, 2015 at 6:30 pm in the City Hall Council Chambers, in Bethel, Alaska because proper five-day notice to the public was not made. Rather than hold a special meeting in January, the chair decided that the planned agenda items should carry over to the next regular meeting to be held February 2, 2015.



Mary Weiss, Chair

ATTEST:



John Sargent, Recorder

City of Bethel

Energy Committee

February 2, 2015

Regular Meeting

Bethel, Alaska

I. CALL TO ORDER

A regular meeting of the Energy Committee was held on February 2, 2015 at 6:30 pm in the City Hall Council Chambers, in Bethel, Alaska.

Chair Mary Weiss called the meeting to order at 6:35 pm.

II. ROLL CALL

Compromising a quorum of the Committee, the following members were present for roll call:

Mary Weiss
 Shari Neth
 Wade Ferdig
 Jeff Sanders
 John Sargent (Ex-Officio)

III. PEOPLE TO BE HEARD

None

IV. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

MOVED:	Mary	Postpone January 5, 2015 meeting minutes to March 2015 meeting and remove December 1, 2014 meeting minutes from agenda.
SECONDED:	Wade	
VOTE ON MAIN MOTION		
All in favor Motion passes; 4 and 0 opposed.		

MOVED:	Shari	Approve the agenda as amended.
SECONDED:	Wade	
VOTE ON MAIN MOTION		
All in favor or Motion passes; 4 and 0 opposed.		

V. APPROVAL OF MEETING MINUTES

Items removed in motion made under Approval of Agenda.

VII. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

- A. Alternative Energy Report Update
 Shari read each item on tracking form; information added as appropriate.

John to update tracking sheet for next meeting.

IX. COMMITTEE MEMBER COMMENTS

Comments made by several members.

X. ADJOURNMENT

To avoid the conflict of the Parks and Recreation Committee meeting on the first Monday of the month at 6:30 pm and the requirement that all committee and commission meetings must be held in the City Hall Council Chambers, the next meeting of the Energy Committee is set for Monday, March 9, 2015.



Mary Weiss, Chairperson

ATTEST:



John Sargent, Recorder

City of Bethel Energy Committee

March 9, 2015

Regular Meeting

Bethel, Alaska

I. CALL TO ORDER

A regular meeting of the Energy Committee was held on March 9, 2015 at 6:30 pm in the City Hall Council Chambers, in Bethel, Alaska.

Vice Chair Shari Neth called the meeting to order at 6:45 pm.

II. ROLL CALL

The following Committee members were present, demonstrating a lack of quorum:

Shari Neth
Wade Ferdig
Jody Drew
John Sargent (Ex-Officio)

Meeting adjourned for lack of quorum.


Shari Neth, Vice-Chair

ATTEST:


John Sargent, Recorder

City of Bethel

Energy Committee

May 11, 2015

Regular Meeting

Bethel, Alaska

I. CALL TO ORDER

A regular meeting of the Energy Committee was held on May 11, 2015 at 6:30 pm in the City Hall Council Chambers, in Bethel, Alaska.

Chair Mary Weiss called the meeting to order at 6:35 pm.

II. ROLL CALL

The following Committee members were present, demonstrating a quorum:

Mary Weiss
Shari Neth
Wade Ferdig
Jody Drew
Zach Fansler
Jeff Sanders
John Sargent (Ex-Officio)

III. PEOPLE TO BE HEARD

None

IV. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

MOVED:	Zach	Approve Agenda.
SECONDED:	Jody	
MOVED:	Zack	Amend agenda by moving items b, c, d, f in front of item a under V. Approval of Meeting Minutes.
SECONDED:	Jody	
VOTE ON AMENDMENT	All in favor Motion passes; 6 and 0 opposed.	
VOTE ON MAIN MOTION	All in favor Motion passes; 6 and 0 opposed.	

V. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

MOVED:	Jody	Change wording of Recommendation of Land Lease to AVEC for Wind Energy Development to meet AVEC's need for land.
SECONDED:	Shari	
VOTE ON MAIN MOTION		
All in favor Motion passes; 6 and 0 opposed.		

John recorded word changes and said he would make the changes before submitting the recommendation to City Council.

MOVED:	Shari	Change wording in Recommendation that Bethel City Council Investigate the Purchase and Use of Waste Heat from AVEC (e.g., "recovered heat" not "waste heat," "pipes" not "lines," and "attractive" not "lucrative.")
SECONDED:	Jody	
VOTE ON MAIN MOTION		
All in favor Motion passes; 6 and 0 opposed.		

John recorded word changes and said he would make the changes before submitting the recommendation to City Council.

VI. APPROVAL OF MEETING MINUTES

MOVED:	Jody	Approve Regular Committee Meeting April 6, 2015.
SECONDED:	Shari	
VOTE ON MAIN MOTION		
All in favor Motion passes; 6 and 0 opposed.		

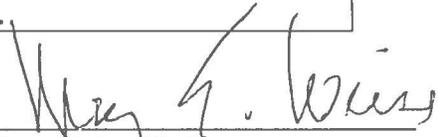
VII. NEW BUSINESS

After three hours of discussion during meeting, it was mutually decided to postpone these items.

VIII. COMMITTEE MEMBER COMMENTS

IX. ADJOURNMENT

MOVED:	Wade	Adjourn meeting.
SECONDED:	Jeff	
VOTE ON MAIN MOTION	All in favor Motion passes; 6 and 0 opposed.	



Mary Weiss, Chair

ATTEST:


John Sargent, Recorder

City of Bethel

Energy Committee

July 13, 2015

Regular Meeting

Bethel, Alaska

I. CALL TO ORDER

A regular meeting of the Energy Committee was held on July 13, 2015 at 6:30 pm in the City Hall Council Chambers, in Bethel, Alaska.

John Sargent called the meeting to order at 6:43 pm.

II. ROLL CALL

The following Committee members were present, demonstrating a lack of quorum:

Zack Fansler
John Sargent (Ex-Officio)

Meeting adjourned for lack of quorum.

ATTEST:



John Sargent, Recorder

City of Bethel

Energy Committee

September 14, 2015

Regular Meeting

Bethel, Alaska

I. CALL TO ORDER

A regular meeting of the Energy Committee was held on September 14, 2015 at 6:30 pm in the City Hall Council Chambers, in Bethel, Alaska.

Chair Mary Weiss called the meeting to order at 6:39 pm.

II. ROLL CALL

The following Committee members were present, demonstrating a quorum:

Mary Weiss, Chair
Shari Neth, Vice-Chair
Jody Drew
Jeff Sanders
John Sargent, Ex-Officio

III. PEOPLE TO BE HEARD

None

IV. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

MOVED:	Shari	Approve Agenda.
SECONDED:	Jody	
VOTE ON MAIN MOTION	All in favor Motion passes; 4 and 0 opposed.	

V. APPROVAL OF MEETING MINUTES

MOVED:	Jody	Approve Regular Energy Committee Meeting Minutes for May, June, July, and August 2015 meetings (items a, b, c, d).
SECONDED:	Jeff	
VOTE ON MAIN MOTION	All in favor Motion passes; 4 and 0 opposed.	

VI. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

- a. Alternative Energy Report Update
 - John read each item, added information for some projects.
 - Gasification unit costly in terms of oil cost to operate, air pollution, labor.
 - UAF still conducting hydrokinetic study on Kuskokwim River in front of Bethel. John to follow up and gather more information on this project.

- b. Pool Wind Turbine Data Collection and Display
- Need a "work-around" to get data displayed to the public and City management.

MOVED:	Jeff	City investigates how to allow the power generation data from the wind turbine to be displayed on the City website.
SECONDED:	Jody	
VOTE ON MOTION		
All in favor Motion passes; 4 in favor and 0 opposed.		

- c. AVEC's Recovered Heat Program and Grant Funding
- John summarized AVEC's grant from renewable energy fund in the amount of \$645,000 to conduct feasibility study and conceptual design for Bethel. Study includes reconnecting three city buildings and evaluating new pool connection.

d. **NEW BUSINESS**

- a. Approval of Resignation of Wade Ferdig from Energy Committee

MOVED:	Jody	Approve resignation of Wade Ferdig from Energy Committee
SECONDED:	Sharri	
VOTE ON MOTION		
All in favor Motion passes; 4 in favor and 0 opposed.		

MOVED:	Jody	City prepares and sends out a letter to Wade and all all retiring members of the Energy Committee thanking them for their service.
SECONDED:	Sharri	

- b. Pool Wind Turbine Improved Blade Purchase
- Question asked: Is it compatible with the turbine we have?
 - Need cost to purchase the new blade and install it. Need to run the numbers to get the break-even amount and savings in years required to meet that amount.
 - Mike Salzbrun has a two-ton crane with 125 ft. boom to install blade.
- c. Operation and Maintenance Proposal for Pool Wind Turbine
- John summarized City's two bid efforts to hire a company to maintain and repair wind turbine.
 - City Manager decided to pursue sole source option through Northern Power Systems, Inc.
- d. Pool Energy Use – the Cost of Operation
- Budget wanted that shows current year-to-date pool expenses vs. budgeted expenses.
 - How much revenue is from users?
 - What is the cost per gallon of heating fuel from City contract with Delta Western?
 - Can we put the pool on the "Pick – Click – Give" list for donations?

e. City PCE Report

MOVED:	Jody	Follow up with the Finance Department's PCE application effort.
SECONDED:	Jeff	
VOTE ON MOTION	All in favor Motion passes; 4 in favor and 0 opposed.	

VII. COMMITTEE MEMBER COMMENTS

Mary Weiss is resigning. She will not attend the next meeting.
Thank you to John for all the work he has done for the Energy Committee, especially uncovering the potential PCE credits the City might be able to get.

VIII. ADJOURNMENT

MOVED:	Jody	Adjourn meeting.
SECONDED:	Sharri	
VOTE ON MAIN MOTION	All in favor Motion passes; 4 and 0 opposed.	

Meeting adjourned at 8:20 pm.



Mary Weiss, Chair

ATTEST:



John Sargent, Recorder