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# City of Bethel City Council Meeting Minutes

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January 8, 2013

Regular Meeting

Bethel, Alaska

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## **I. CALL TO ORDER**

A Regular Meeting of the Bethel City Council was held on January 8, 2013 at 6:30pm, at the City Council Chambers, Bethel, Alaska.

Mayor Joseph Klejka called the meeting to order.

## **II. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

## **III. ROLL CALL**

### **PRESENT:**

Council Member Gene Jr. Peltola  
Council Member Joseph Klejka  
Council Member Rick Robb  
Council Member Eric Whitney  
Council Member Sharon Sigmon (participated telephonically)  
Council Member Springer- *Joined at 6:33pm*  
Council Member Mary Sattler- *Joined at 6:36pm*

### **STAFF:**

Acting City Clerk KaJena Baty  
City Manager Lee Foley  
City Attorney Patty Burley- *Joined at 6:40pm*

## **IV. PEOPLE TO BE HEARD**

Johnny Furlong- *In opposition of the Sugar Sweetened Beverages Tax, protested rejection of Public Safety and Transportation Commission Member Application.*

David Trantham Jr.- *Spoke on the addition of iqmik into the tobacco tax ordinance. In opposition of the cigarette and tobacco product tax.*

Craig Rogers- *Spoke against the tobacco tax and sugar sweetened beverages tax.*

Raymond Pete- *Spoke on the topic of homeless people.*

Bob Herron- *Saturday will be travelling to Juneau for his 13<sup>th</sup> session, looks forward to working with administration and the council on the needs of the people of the city of Bethel.*

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

<b>MOVED:</b>	Robb	Motion to approve the consent and regular agendas.
<b>SECONDED:</b>	Whitney	
<b>MOVED:</b>	Robb	Motion to remove the introduction of Ordinances 13-01, 13-02, 13-03 from the consent agenda.
<b>MOVED:</b>	Peltola	Motion to remove the second item under executive session from the agenda completely.
<b>SECONDED:</b>	Springer	
<b>VOTE ON MAIN MOTION</b>	All in favor	
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**VI. APPROVAL OF THE MEETING MINUTES**

Item A -11-27-2012 Special City Council Meeting Minutes  
*Passed on the consent agenda.*

Item B -12-11-2012 Regular City Council Meeting Minutes  
*Passed on the consent agenda.*

**VII. REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES**

Item A- Public Safety & Transportation Commission: Sigmon- *does not have anything to report yet.*

Item B- Port Commission: Springer- *no meeting held since the last council meeting.*

Item C- Planning Commission: Peltola- *there is one opening and two alternates next meeting cancelled due to lack of quorum.*

Item D- Parks and Recreation Committee: Sattler- *no quorum, yesterday, will try to meet next week.*

Item E- Finance Committee: Robb- *meetings are scheduled every 4<sup>th</sup> Thursday of the month.*

Item F- Public Works Committee: Klejka- *minutes are in the packet.*

Item G- Energy Committee: Whitney- *there was no quorum at the last meeting. The next meeting is scheduled for February 4th.*

**VIII. SPECIAL ORDER OF BUSINESS**

Item A - Presentation From Todd O'Hara From University Of Alaska Fairbanks Veterinary Medicine.

**IX. UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

**Item A - Public Hearing Of Ordinance 12-06(b): Budget Modification For FY 2013.**

Public Hearing:  
No one wished to be heard

<b>MOVED:</b>	Springer	Motion to adopt Budget Ordinance 12-06 (b).
<b>SECONDED:</b>	Robb	
<b>MOVED:</b>	Robb	Motion to remove 40k on line 107 2754 for the armory after hours recreation expense.
<b>SECONDED:</b>	Springer	
<b>VOTE ON MOTION</b>	1-6 Motion fails Jr. Peltola, Klejka, Sattler, Springer, Whitney and Sigmon opposed	
<b>VOTE ON MAIN MOTION</b>	All in favor	

**Item B- Public Hearing Of Ordinance 12-10: An Ordinance Amending Sections 4.20.030 M, 4.20.90 E, and 4.20.100 E Under Revenue And Finance, Purchasing Of The Bethel Municipal Code To Amend Local Preference.**

*Mayor Klejka opened the public hearing.*

Read letter from Ana Hoffman

*Mayor Klejka closed the public hearing.*

<b>MOVED:</b>	Springer	Motion to adopt Ordinance 12-10 was made at the December 11 <sup>th</sup> Council Meeting.
<b>SECONDED:</b>	Whitney	
<b>MOVED:</b>	Sigmon	Motion to postpone this ordinance until the next meeting when the correct copy of the ordinance can be put into the packet. (There should be another public hearing at that time)
<b>SECONDED:</b>	Sattler	
<b>VOTE ON MAIN MOTION</b>	All in favor	

**Item C-** Motion To Amend Something Previously Adopted:  
 Amendment To Ordinance 12-09: An Ordinance By the Bethel City Council Amending The Bethel Municipal Code to Enact Section 4.17 Excise Tax on Cigarettes and Tobacco Products.

<b>MOVED:</b>	Whitney	Motion to amend the ordinance to reflect the changes suggested by the attorney.
<b>SECONDED:</b>	Sigmon	
<b>MOVED:</b>	Springer	Motion to amend to strike iqmik from the suggested amendment.
<b>SECONDED:</b>	Sattler	
<i>Council Member Robb departed the meeting at 8:15p.</i>		
<b>VOTE ON MAIN MOTION</b>	All in favor	
<b>MOVED:</b>	Sattler	Motion to amend to change the effective date to March 1 <sup>st</sup> , 2013.
<b>SECONDED:</b>	Whitney	
<b>VOTE ON MAIN MOTION</b>	Motion fails, all opposed	
<b>VOTE ON MAIN MOTION</b>	3-3 Motion fails Jr. Peltola, Sattler and Springer opposed	

*Council Member Robb returned to the meeting at 8:17p.*

<b>MOVED:</b>	Springer	Motion for a 10 minute break
<b>SECONDED:</b>	Robb	
<b>VOTE ON MAIN MOTION</b>	6-1, Whitney opposed	

**X. NEW BUSINESS**

**Item A - Resolution 13-01: Supporting City Of Akiak's Efforts To Secure Technical Assistance And Funding To Address Severe River Erosion.**

*Passed on the consent agenda.*

**Item B- Introduction Of Ordinance 13-01: An Ordinance Limiting The Amount Of Time Proposed Revisions To The Bethel Municipal Code May Remain In Committee/Commission For Consideration And/Or Review.**

*Removed from the consent agenda.*

<b>MOVED:</b>	Springer	Motion to introduce Ordinance 13-01.
<b>SECONDED:</b>	Whitney	
<b>VOTE ON MAIN MOTION</b>	1-6 Motion fails Jr. Peltola, Klejka, Sattler, Springer, Whitney and Sigmon opposed	

**Item C- Introduction Of Ordinance 13-02: Establishing Title 12 Complete Streets Ordinance.**

*Removed from the consent agenda.*

<b>MOVED:</b>	Sigmon	Motion to postpone the Introduction of Ordinance 13-02, until the next regular meeting.
<b>SECONDED:</b>	Whitney	
<b>VOTE ON MAIN MOTION</b>	6-1 Motion passes, Robb opposed	

**Item D- Introduction Of Ordinance 13-03: Amending Bethel Municipal Code 4.16.040 F, Sales And Use Tax Exemptions.**

*Removed from the consent agenda.*

<b>MOVED:</b>	Sigmon	Motion to introduce Ordinance 13-03.
<b>SECONDED:</b>	Whitney	
<b>MOVED:</b>	Robb	Motion to replace Item F with alternative language in Option 2
<b>SECONDED:</b>	Whitney	
<b>VOTE ON MAIN MOTION</b>	All in favor	
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**XI. MAYOR'S REPORT**

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**XII. CITY CLERK'S REPORT**

**XIII. COUNCIL MEMBER COMMENTS**

Council Member Sattler – Slaaviq carolers. Shooting took place across the slough, investigation is not done internally by choice, is done by ASI. Thanks to people volunteering for k300.

Council Member Robb – A Bethel Homeless Coalition has formed to start a homeless shelter in Bethel. There will be more information coming out so people will be able to report. A little over a year ago the Council worked with Bethel Sportsmans Club to open a shooting range for the public. This last week the range opened, people can use the range if they join and attend a safety orientation, there is a fee. Have a happy and safe Slaaviq.

Council Member Springer – Appreciated Raymond Pete's comments this evening, is happy to hear there is a homeless coalition. Thanks Pete Williams and all city employees who get our water and sewer on time.

Council Member Whitney – Happy new year!

Vice Mayor Peltola – It's good to be back after Christmas and New Years break. Slaaviq is underway. Be careful on rivers if coming from the village. Everyone should make it back to school after tomorrow. Watch out for little kids.

Council Member Sigmon – Successful surgeries, but slow recovery process. Is glad she is able to participate; may have to be away 2-4 more weeks. Appreciates everyone help. Wishes a happy new year to everyone.

Mayor Klejka – Agrees with everyone’s comments. Happy New Year. Be careful on the river. Thank you to community members who have helped on the river. Needs a ringer roller.

**XV. EXECUTIVE SESSION**

<b>MOVED:</b>	Springer	Motion to go into Executive Session for: Executive Session: To Discuss The Annual Evaluation of the City Manager As Per Alaska Statutes 44.62.310: Personnel Matters (Unless the person Has Requested To Have The Subjects Discussed In Public) Subjects That Tend To Prejudice The Reputation And Character Of A Person.
<b>SECONDED:</b>	Robb	
<b>VOTE ON MAIN MOTION</b>	All in favor	

**Item A-** Executive Session: To Discuss The Annual Evaluation of the City Manager As Per Alaska Statutes 44.62.310: Personnel Matters (Unless the person Has Requested To Have The Subjects Discussed In Public) Subjects That Tend To Prejudice The Reputation And Character Of A Person.

**XVI. ADJOURNMENT**

<b>MOVED:</b>	Springer	Motion to adjourn.
<b>SECONDED:</b>	Peltola	
<b>VOTE ON MAIN MOTION</b>	All in favor	

*Council adjourned at 10:29pm.*

  
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 Joseph Klejka, Mayor

ATTEST:

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 KaJena Baty, Acting City Clerk