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PUBLIC NOTICE
REGULAR MEETING OF THE
PUBLIC SAFETY & TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION
Wednesday, January 3rd, 2018 –6:30 p.m.
300 STATE HIGHWAY – CITY COUNCIL CHAMBERS
AGENDA

Members

Eileen Henrikson
Chair

Jared Karr
Vice Chair

Naim Shabani
Council Representative

Julene Webber

Mary Weiss

Joan Dewey

Monroe Tyler

Mary Nanuwak
Alternate

Ex-Officio Members

Burke Waldron
Interim Chief of Police

William Howell III
Fire Chief

Jesslyn McGowan
Recorder

- I. CALL TO ORDER
- II. ROLL CALL
- III. PEOPLE TO BE HEARD
- IV. APPROVAL OF AGENDA
- V. APPROVAL OF MINUTES FROM THE REGULAR MEETING OF
December 6th, 2017
- VI. SPECIAL ORDER OF BUSINESS
 - A. One on One Training (City Clerk)
- VII. UNFINISHED BUSINESS
 - A. Taxi Rate Increase (Naim Shabani)
 - B. Discussion about Taxi Cameras (Naim Shabani)
 - C. Discuss BMC Codes (Chief Waldron)
- VIII. NEW BUSINESS
 - A. Housekeeping (Eileen Henrikson)
 - B. Potential Opening of New Position of Transportation Inspector (Naim Shabani)
- IX. CHIEFS' COMMENTS
 - Fire Chief
 - Chief of Police
- X. TRANSPORTATION INSPECTOR'S REPORT
- XI. COUNCIL REPRESENTATIVE'S COMMENTS
- XII. COMMISSION MEMBER'S COMMENTS
- XIII. ADJOURNMENT

Jesslyn McGowan

Jesslyn McGowan, Recorder

POSTED on December 27th, 2017

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Next Public Safety and Transportation Commission Meeting will be **February 1, 2017.**

City of Bethel, Alaska

Public Safety & Transportation Commission

December 6th, 2017

Regular Meeting

Bethel, Alaska

I. CALL TO ORDER

A regular meeting of the Public Safety and Transportation Commission was held on December 6th, 2017 in the Bethel City Hall Council Chambers.

This meeting was called to order at 6:36 pm.

II. ROLL CALL

Present: Eileen Henrikson, *Chair*
Jared Karr, *Vice Chair*
Julene Webber
Mary Weiss
Mary Nanuwak, *Alternate*

Absent: Naim Shabani *Council Rep*
Joan Dewey
Burke Waldron *Chief of Police*

Ex-Officio Present: William Howell *Fire Chief*
Jesslyn McGowan *Recorder*

Others Present: Monroe Tyler

III. PEOPLE TO BE HEARD

No one to be heard

IV. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

MOVED:	Weiss	Motion to approve the agenda.
SECONDED:	Karr	
VOTE ON MAIN MOTION	All in favor.	

V. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

MOVED:	Karr	Motion to approve the minutes from the regular meeting of
SECONDED:	Weiss	
VOTE ON MAIN MOTION	All in favor.	

VI. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

A. Taxi Rate Increase

MOVED:	Webber	Motion to table discussion until January meeting
SECONDED:	Karr	
VOTE ON MAIN MOTION	All in favor	

B. Discussion about Taxi Cameras

MOVED:	Webber	Motion to table discussion until January meeting
SECONDED:	Karr	
VOTE ON MAIN MOTION	All in favor	

C. Camai Cab Violations

MOVED:	Karr	Motion to enforce code 5.40.050
SECONDED:	Nanuwak	
VOTE ON MAIN MOTION	All opposed.	

D. Discussion of BMC Codes

MOVED:	Karr	Motion to table discussion until January meeting
SECONDED:	Webber	
VOTE ON MAIN MOTION	All in favor	

VII. CHIEF'S COMMENTS

Chief Waldron – See report in Commission Packet

Fire Chief Howell – See report in Commission Packet

VIII. TRANSPORTATION INSPECTOR'S REPORT

See report in Commission Packet

IX. COUNCIL REPRESENTATIVE'S COMMENTS

No Council Rep present

X. COMMISSION MEMBER’S COMMENTS

Jared Karr – Talked of BFD’s announcement on radio and the great vibes it gives to the public, also that it is a great recruiting tool. Also a comment about social media and his thoughts about making accusations and complaints on social media without going to the appropriate authority. Ended by welcoming the new members.

Mary Nanuwak – Made comments regarding cab companies, complaints on companies, having the correct information is helpful and positive comments always help.

Julene Webber – Mentioned that PSTC has good intentions and only so much it can do. Also welcomed new members.

Mary Weiss – Welcomed new members and gave a small background of what PSTC did in the last couple of meetings.

Eileen Henrikson – Welcomed new members.

XI. ADJOURNMENT

MOVED:	Webber	Motion to adjourn.
SECONDED:	Weiss	
VOTE ON MAIN MOTION	All in favor.	

Meeting adjourned at 7:28 pm.

APPROVED THIS _____ DAY OF _____, 2017.

Jesslyn McGowan, Recorder

Eileen Henrikson, Chair

General Taxi Expenses

	2007	2012	2017	% Change	Source
Insurance	\$4,857	\$5,509	\$6,602	27.5	Malone Insurance
Mechanic Hr/\$	\$90	\$110	\$130	31	Lumi's Auto/Nicholsons Auto
1 Quart Oil 5w-30	\$5	\$6	\$8	37.5	NAPA
Shipping Vehicle	\$2,208	\$2,577	\$2,963	25.5	Northland Services
Shipping Lbs/\$	\$0.52	\$0.75	\$0.77	32.5	NAC/Evertts/RYAN
Fuel	\$4.59	\$6.29	\$4.69	2.2	Crowley
\$5 Inflation	5.00	5.52	5.94		

Noteworthy:

Since 2007 Northland services has delivered over 2500 vehicles to the Bethel Dock.
 The city transit system was introduced in 2012
 Security cameras have been added as required equipment

5.20.010 Definitions.

When used in Chapters 5.20 through 5.50 BMC, unless the context requires otherwise:

A. "Bus" means a regulated vehicle designated by its manufacturer as a bus used to transport passengers for hire and having a capacity of eight (8) or more passengers, except that any vehicle engaged exclusively in the transport by motor vehicle of students to and from school is not a "bus" for purposes of Chapters 5.20 through 5.50 BMC.

Commented [JM1]: Does this apply to city run buses

G. "Licensee" means a person authorized by the transportation inspector to operate a regulated vehicle while it is in service.

Commented [JM2]: Same definitions? What is a licensee though

K. "Permittee" means a person authorized by the transportation inspector to put a regulated vehicle in service.

5.20.050 Bethel public safety and transportation commission – Rates.

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A. The commission:

1. Shall establish maximum rates to be charged for taxicab and river taxi service and may establish minimum rates for such services;
2. May establish dispatch service, limousine, or bus minimum and/or maximum rates;
3. May establish maximum lease rates between permittees and lease operators of taxicabs, including daily lease rates for taxicab chauffeurs.

B. All rates established by the commission shall be nondiscriminatory, just and reasonable.

C. A statement of actual taxicab rates charged by a taxicab, other than flat or group rates established by contractual agreement between dispatch service companies and individuals or other businesses, shall be conspicuously posted on the interior and exterior of every taxicab in a manner prescribed by the transportation inspector.

D. No person may require payment of rates other than those established by the commission pursuant to this section.

E. No person may require payment of dispatch service rates other than those established by the commission pursuant to this section.

F. Rates for permitted transportation area as follows:

	OLD RATES	MAXIMUM RATES
CAB FARES WITHIN THE CITY (INCLUDING BETHEL HEIGHTS)	\$4.00	\$5.00
FARE TO THE HOSPITAL	\$4.00	\$5.00
FARE TO THE TRAILER COURT, HANGAR LAKE, POWER PLANT	\$4.00	\$5.00
FARE TO AND FROM THE AIRPORT TO AND FROM ALL LOCATIONS, EXCEPT KASAYULIE SUBDIVISION	\$6.00	\$7.00
FARE TO B.I.A. AND TUNDRA RIDGE	\$6.00	\$7.00
FARE TO AND FROM KASAYULIE SUBDIVISION	\$10.00	\$10.00
FARE TO AND FROM HAROLDSON SUBDIVISION		\$7.00
HALF-HOUR FARE CHARTER	\$25.00	\$30.00
FARE AIRPORT TO AIRPORT	\$4.00	\$4.00
SENIOR CITIZENS	The old fare rates	
EN ROUTE STOPS	\$1.00 per minute	\$1.00 per stop, plus \$1.00 per minute after three minutes

[Ord. 07-20 § 2; Ord. 01-02 § 3.]

5.20.055 Bethel public safety and transportation commission – Complaints.

The commission, through the transportation inspector, shall:

A. Establish a system for processing and adjudicating citizen complaints against chauffeurs of regulated vehicles or against the condition of a regulated vehicle and further establish a system to keep records of all such complaints. The record shall identify the chauffeur, permit number, and permittee of the vehicle involved in the complaint, as well as the name, address, and/or telephone number of the complainants if available. A complainant's identification may be held confidential by the commission upon request of the complainant(s). Absent additional evidence, an anonymous complaint does not constitute a sufficient basis for issuance of a civil or criminal citation or penalty.

B. Require dispatch companies to establish a record of all complaints registered against chauffeurs of regulated vehicles, or against the condition of a regulated vehicle. The record shall identify the chauffeur, permit number and permittee of the vehicle involved in the complaint, as well as the name, address, and/or telephone number of the complainants if available. A complainant's identification may be withheld from the complaint log by the dispatch company and instead transmitted confidentially to the transportation inspector upon request of the complainant. Absent additional evidence, an anonymous complaint does not constitute a sufficient basis for issuance of a civil or criminal citation or penalty. The dispatch companies shall, on a monthly basis, provide the transportation inspector with a complete copy of logged complaints.

C. Require that within all regulated vehicles a commission-approved notice of the telephone numbers required for the filing of complaints with the commission and the number of the vehicle utilizing the permit shall be prominently displayed in a manner, size, and location designated by the transportation inspector.

D. Provide permittees with a monthly summary of all logged complaints, civil or criminal citations, and convictions entered against chauffeurs or vehicles operating under the permittee's permit.

E. Utilize citation and conviction findings in the annual review process to determine whether the renewal of an individual permittee's permit to operate remains in the continued public interest and welfare.

F. Provide current information in response to any public request, as to the number of citations issued or convictions entered against a chauffeur or permittee within the preceding twelve (12) months. [Ord. 01-02 § 3.]

5.20.070 Powers and duties of transportation inspector.

D. Require a regulated vehicle to be taken out of service for an inspection when the transportation inspector reasonably believes that it poses a threat to the safety or health of persons or property. The transportation inspector may order the owner of the regulated vehicle to obtain and pay for an inspection report from a designated inspection station. The transportation inspector may keep a vehicle out of service for a reasonable time in order to perform the inspection;

5.20.085 Drug and alcohol testing.

A. The commission shall:

1. Establish a commission-approved drug and alcohol testing program for chauffeurs of regulated vehicles. The program may include chauffeur applicant drug screening tests, random tests, reasonable cause tests, post-accident tests, and post-citation tests. The testing program shall be administered by the transportation inspector;

5.20.130 Renewal of license or permit.

Commented [JM4]: Possibly change the language on this code

Commented [JM5]: Remove this since complaints go through BPD and just have BPD forward complaints to cab owners

Commented [JM6]: Make a designated transportation station
Certify mechanics to be the transportation stations

Commented [JM7]: Need to decide on one

A. A permit or license issued in accordance with Chapters 5.20 through 5.50 BMC shall be valid for two (2) calendar years and shall expire automatically on the date of original issue.

Commented [JM8]: License? Also should be moved to be under 5.40?

5.20.160 Fees.

The following fees shall be payable to the city:

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A. One hundred eighty-five dollars (\$185) monthly shall be paid to the transportation inspector for the issuance or renewal of a bus, limousine, river taxi, dispatch service, or taxicab permit no later than the tenth (10th) of each month.

B. Two hundred fifty dollars (\$250) shall be paid to the transportation inspector for the initial issuances and each two-(2-) year renewal of a chauffeur's license no more than three (3) months prior to expiration date, not after one (1) month prior to expiration date.

C. Two hundred fifty dollars (\$250) shall be paid to the transportation inspector for the initial issuances and each two-(2-) year renewal of a vehicle permit no more than three (3) months prior to expiration date, not after one (1) month prior to expiration date.

D. One hundred dollars (\$100) shall be paid to the city finance department for each appeal from a decision of the transportation inspector to the commission under Chapters 5.20 through 5.50 BMC. Such fee shall be refunded if the decision is subsequently reversed. The ex officio member of the public safety and transportation commission must notify all commission members when an appeal is filed. The fee shall be forfeited if the party making the appeal fails to show for the appeal hearing.

E. Eighty-five dollars (\$85) shall be paid to the transportation inspector each time that a taxicab permittee applies to substitute a vehicle that operates under a permit.

F. One hundred twenty-five dollars (\$125) shall be paid to the transportation inspector for an application to transfer an interest in a taxicab permit or a dispatch service permit in accordance with the provisions of Chapters 5.20 through 5.50 BMC.

G. There shall be a one hundred dollar (\$100) surcharge for late payment of fees provided for in subsections A, B, and C of this section.

H. Twenty-five dollars (\$25) shall be paid to the transportation inspector for administration of the examination required in BMC 5.40.020(C), except that this payment shall not be required the first (1st) time that an applicant for a chauffeur's license takes the examination.

I. Fifteen dollars (\$15) shall be charged for chauffeur and vehicle renewal applications which are mailed in.

J. Thirty-five dollars (\$35) shall be charged for chauffeur drug testing. [Ord. 09-05 § 2; Ord. 07-20 § 2; Ord. 07-18 § 2; Ord. 01-47 § 2; Ord. 01-30 § 2; Ord. 01-26 § 2; Ord. 01-02 § 3.]

5.30.090 Taxicabs – Vehicle markings.

A. Every taxicab shall display the trade name under which it operates and the vehicle number assigned to it by the transportation inspector in the area between the back bumper and the top of the trunk of the taxicab on the rear end of the taxicab with permanent contrasting letters and numbers no less than four (4) inches high.

B. Every taxicab shall bear its vehicle number, as assigned to it by the transportation inspector, on all sides of the taxicab with permanent letters no less than four (4) inches high. Every taxicab shall display its vehicle number assigned by the transportation inspector on the front fender adjacent to the front door jam on both the driver and passenger side of the

vehicle in numbers no less than four (4) inches high. The number shall be placed in the middle of the fender, but in no event less than two (2) inches above the bottom of the fender, or more than four (4) inches below the top of the fender.

C. The transportation inspector will provide every taxicab permit holder with reflective decals bearing the assigned vehicle number required to meet the requirements of this section. Taxicab permit holders shall display trade names on vehicles with reflective decals that meet the requirements of this section.

D. Except as otherwise provided by law, no taxicab may be used or sold for any purpose other than for use as a taxicab until all signs, insignia, license plates, lights or other markings have been removed or an "out of service" sign is posted on the taxicab in the form and manner designated by the transportation inspector. [Ord. 15-21 § 2; Ord. 01-02 § 3.]

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Also C, should be removed since it has never been done

5.30.100 Required equipment.

In addition to the mechanical equipment required in BMC [5.20.080](#)(D), every taxicab shall have the following equipment:

F. Every regulated vehicle shall be equipped at all times with a video camera surveillance system and have global positioning system capability. The surveillance and GPS systems shall be capable of recording and storing the data of at least seventy-two (72) hours of in-service operations. The recorded data shall be stored on board the taxicab or transmitted for storage. The stored data for the immediately preceding seventy-two (72) hours of recording shall not be altered or manipulated by any person, and shall be made available for review and inspection by the transportation inspector for purposes of enforcement of Chapters [5.20](#) and [5.40](#) BMC and this chapter or by a peace officer as defined in AS [1.10.060](#) upon request. For good cause, the transportation inspector may order retention of recorded data of specific dates, trips, or incidents for up to two (2) years.

1. The video camera surveillance system shall have the capability to operate twenty-four (24) hours a day, record video only, and be compatible with surveillance during both daytime and nighttime. The surveillance system shall either have continuous operation or be activated by the opening of a door, or some other self-initiating device which does not require the specific decision or action by the chauffeur to activate the surveillance system. The system shall be capable of producing high-quality pictures for law enforcement use. The system shall have cameras facing the front and rear and positioned in a manner that provides views of the regulated vehicle interior that are visible to passerby and does not violate privacy rights. A limousine shall not have video surveillance of the passenger area designed and intended to provide privacy from the chauffeur and public view, but may have a view into that area when a privacy partition or device is open.

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2. The global positioning system capability of any regulated vehicle shall either have continuous operation or be activated by a self-initiating device which does not require the specific decision or action by the chauffeur to activate the global positioning system. The global positioning system in taxicabs must be capable of alerting the monitoring station of emergencies. The dispatch company or a company within the municipality approved by the transportation inspector will be the monitoring station for a taxicab's global positioning system. [Ord. 15-21 § 2; Ord. 01-02 § 3.]

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5.30.140 Records.

A. Every taxicab, river taxi, and limousine permittee shall maintain a current and accurate daily list of the regulated vehicles operated pursuant to the permit. The daily list shall contain the following information:

1. The name, address, telephone number, chauffeur's license number and expiration of each chauffeur operating such regulated vehicles;

2. The daily hours worked by each chauffeur operating such regulated vehicles;

3. The number of days each such regulated vehicle is operated during each calendar month;

4. The records maintained pursuant to this subsection A as well as any other records related to the operation of the permit shall be retained by the permittee for at least six (6) months and shall be made available upon the request of the transportation commission or the transportation inspector. The transportation inspector may request that the permittee forward the record to him or her on a monthly basis. [Ord. 15-21 § 2; Ord. 08-17 § 2; Ord. 07-16 § 2; Ord. 01-02 § 3.]

5.50.080 Records.

A. Every dispatch service shall maintain a current and accurate list of:

1. Daily dispatch activity, including the taxicab numbers, the permit number pursuant to which the taxicab is operated, the time of calls for service, and the place of passenger pickup.

B. The records maintained pursuant to subsection A of this section shall be retained by the dispatch permittee for at least two (2) years and shall be made available upon request by the commission, the transportation inspector or a police officer. The transportation inspector may request that a dispatch service forward the records to him or her on a monthly basis. [Ord. 01-20 § 3; Ord. 01-02 § 3.]

5.40.090 Charter of taxicab.

If a passenger requests direct service to his or her destination without picking up or dropping off other passengers, the chauffeur shall honor the passenger's request, and may charge the passenger no more than the applicable charter rate established by the commission for the trip. [Ord. 01-02 § 3.]

5.50.020 Dispatch service permit application.

A. An application for annual renewal of a dispatch service permit shall be made to the transportation inspector.

Side note:

If people are charged with a crime, we should be able to hold the permit until charges are dropped or they are convicted of the crime.

Commented [JM13]: Need to either enforce this, change it or remove it.

Commented [JM14R13]: All dispatchers dispatch out of a vehicle and not the office. This code help shows how many hours each driver works and whether they violate working over 12 hrs and dispatch service open for the required 20 hrs. (5.40.050 & 5.50.050)

Commented [JM15]: Change the language on this so that it can work, not possible to do if two people in the same cab request direct service.

Commented [JM16]: Should mention what happens when they miss the deadline



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Celebrating 50 Years of Service

DATE: December 28, 2017
TO: Pete Williams, City Manager
FROM: Bill Howell, Fire Chief
SUBJECT: Manager's Report December 1, 2017 through December 28, 2017

Current Events

- A ribbon cutting ceremony for the new ambulance Medic-6 was held on December 15 at noon. Many of the sponsors of the project, council and management team members attended. Medic Six was placed in service the following Friday on December 22.
- The Department is hosted a Community Open House on Saturday, December 16 from 4 p.m. to 6 p.m. to celebrate the new ambulance and thank the community for supporting the Medic 6 project.
- Data is being input into the Department's new Records Management System (RMS) "Emergency Reporting". This new RMS places all important documents and records within quick reach of any member authorized to access it. A significant improvement in efficiency and operational picture is expected from the use of the new RMS.
- The specifications for the new ladder truck are in the final stages of review. We are working with the Finance Department to secure a lease company for the purchase.
- The RFP for ambulance billing and collection services is undergoing final review by the City Attorney and Finance department and should be issued soon.
- The Department's administrative staff continues work on a new Policies, Procedures, S.O.P. Rules and Regulations manual for the department.

Community Planning/Preparedness

- The Department is working with Dowl Engineering to determine removal of two hydrants from the Institution Corridor water project.
- The Department attended the Alaska Fire Chiefs Association teleconference on December 7.
- We await arrival of the community ISO rating letter for fire protection. Our survey was completed in August of this year and should be released soon. Insurance companies determine risk and the premiums paid by home and business owners using ISO ratings.

Training

- On 12/05/17 at 7:00 p.m., an EMT Meeting was held at the fire station. Responders reviewed intravenous fluid therapy and drip rate formulas.
- On 12/14/17 at 7:00 p.m., a Fire Meeting was held at the fire station. Responders reviewed and practiced deploying fire hose in different situations.
- On 12/19/17 at 7:00 p.m., a Combination Fire/EMT Meeting was held at the fire station. Responders received their annual influenza vaccinations and TB Skin Tests. Staff and volunteers were instructed to go to the YKDRH Lab to request HIV blood tests.
- The Fire Department's EMT-1 class started on 11/18/17 with 13 students. Currently, 10 remain enrolled in the program. Some recent topics of instruction include; Obstetrical Emergencies, Environmental Emergencies, Poisoning and Overdose Emergencies, and Immunological Emergencies.
- The Driver Training program information has been assigned to staff and volunteers. Multiple staff and volunteers have completed the online training and safety cone course with our ambulances.
- A Fire Meeting is scheduled for 12/28/17 at 7:00 p.m.

Responses

- Between 11/30/17 and 12/26/17, the Bethel Fire Department responded to 130 EMS and 4 Fire incidents.
- During this period, 71 EMS incidents (54.6%) were alcohol-related.

- On 11/30/17 at 8:08 pm medics responded to the area of Fifth Avenue for the report of a person with lacerations to their wrists. The patient was assessed and transported to the hospital.
- On 12/01/17 at 1:04 a.m. medics responded to the area of Ptarmigan Road for the report of a person having a seizure. The patient was assessed and transported to the hospital.
- On 12/02/17 at 9:22 a.m. medics responded to Kusko Court for the report of a person who was unable to walk after suffering a leg injury. The patient was assessed and transported to the hospital.
- On 12/06/17 at 6:22 p.m. medics responded to the area of Weber Circle for the report of a person with injuries to their wrist and rib cage. The patient was assessed and transported to the hospital.
- On 12/09/17 at 8:29 p.m. medics responded to Akiak Street for the report of a person who was not breathing. Upon arrival, medics performed CPR on one female while transporting her to the hospital.
- On 12/10/17 at 6:28 a.m. medics responded to the area of the Covenant Church for the report of a person experiencing chest pain. The patient was assessed and transported to the hospital.
- On 12/14/17 at 10:55 a.m. medics responded to the LKSD District Office for the report of a person who had been electrocuted. The patient was assessed and transported to the hospital.
- On 12/18/17 at 6:16 a.m. medics responded to Ptarmigan Road for the report of a person experiencing chest pain, nausea, and vomiting. The patient was assessed and transported to the hospital.
- On 12/22/17 at 9:20 a.m. firefighters responded to Hanger Lake Road for the report of a fuel exhaust smell in a residence. Firefighters checked for carbon monoxide, but found none. Firefighters installed one carbon monoxide alarm in the home.
- On 12/22/17 at 8:26 p.m. firefighters responded to Ptarmigan Road for the report of a vehicle fire. Upon arrival, the fire was already extinguished. Firefighters checked for hot spots, gathered information, and returned to quarters.
- On 12/23/17 8:05 a.m. medics responded to the area of Ptarmigan Road for the report of a person not breathing. The patient was pronounced deceased as obvious signs of death were observed.

Budget/Financial

- All Department accounts are within budget.

- The department is developing budget figures for future capital needs, firefighting foam and firefighter turnouts.

Grants

- The Department was awarded \$7,500 in Code Blue grant funding for a new power stretcher for the new ambulance. This grant is administered by YKHC's EMS office. Matching funds have been committed by the Volunteer fire fighters association (BVESA).
- The Department received \$7,500 in funding for portable radios through the 2017 VFA grant.
- The Grants Manager reported that a Homeland Security reallocation request was approved to supply the fire department with 3 new mobile radios and 12 new portables. A purchase order will be submitted for this purchase soon.

Staffing/recruitment

- The Department welcomes its newest member Matthew Cochrane. Matt is a BRHS graduate and member of the departments volunteer core.

Vehicles & Equipment

- Engine 3, our 1986 Grumman reserve pumper, is still out of service but most major repairs are complete and it can be used in an emergency. The vehicle is being restocked with equipment.
- Medic Six is in service! The crew is enjoying the new rig.

FIRE DEPARTMENT VEHICLE STATUS			
Vehicle	Type	Year	Status
Medic 4	Ambulance	1999	<i>(Backup ambulance) In service. Leaking airbags. Undergoing repairs of air suspension by local shop.</i>
Medic 5	Ambulance	2003	<i>(Frontline Ambulance) In service. Frequent no starts/dead batteries. Batteries changed by V&E (Plan to remount to new chassis in 2018)</i>
Medic 6	Ambulance	2017	<i>In service. Tires need to be studded.</i>
Engine 4	Pumper	2013	<i>(Frontline pumper) In service, Seat belt sensor silenced but still needing repair by V&E. Ground and marker lights changed to LED to reduce maintenance.</i>

Engine 3	Pumper	1986	<i>(Back up pumper)</i> Out of service, Tank repair complete. Awaiting pump test. In service for emergencies (Poor overall condition needs replacement)
Truck 1	Ladder Truck	1980	<i>(Frontline ladder truck)</i> Out of service, Pump and ladder need repair. Decertified. No work order, equipment is obsolete. (Scheduled for replacement in 2018.)
Tanker 1	Tanker (1500 gallon)	1980	In service, runs poorly, needs tune up, Work order issued. (Undersized for Bethel, poor condition, needs replacement).
Com 1	Pickup	2014	In service. Plow repaired.
Com 2	Pickup	2004	In service, plow parts ordered, running board needs repair.



December 2017 Monthly Report

Personnel:

Both Officer M. Shawgo and M. Oulton are progressing through their field training program. Public Safety Dispatcher Bosgal also continues to progress with her field training and get more comfortable with all the tasks happening concurrently that the job requires.

There are two applicants for police officer and three applicants for the one vacant Community Service Patrol position. Oral boards for the police officer applicants and interviews for the CSP applicants are scheduled for the first week of January. If the candidates pass the oral board, they will then be scheduled for polygraph and psychology examinations. If successful, both applicants will have to attend the Public Safety Academy. Due to state budget cuts, the Alaska Police Standards Council has stopped funding academy slots for municipal police departments. This will result in approximately \$10,400 per recruit passed to the department.

Operations:

There were 1,526 calls for service between December 1st and December 28th. This is down approximately 400 calls compared to November but close to the average for this time of year. 110 of those calls resulted in police case reports being generated. This is similar to November and significantly higher than September and October numbers.

A total of 71 misdemeanor and 12 felony cases were investigated. The felony case load is consistent with previous month(s) and years. However, the misdemeanor case load is a significant jump. This is, in part, because of SB 54 recriminalizing the offense of Violating Conditions of Release. There also is a significant increase in Criminal Trespass and Disorderly Conduct cases.

On the evening of 11/30 to morning of 12/1, a search and rescue was launched for a reported woman nearly unconscious on a trail about 5 miles out from Tundra Ridge. The woman was located and transported to Bethel and then YKHC where she later died. Autopsy results showed that she died as a result of foul play. The case is still under investigation and charges are anticipated to be forwarded to the District Attorney's Office. On the early morning hours of 12/27 a robbery was reported at the AC Quick Stop. Three members of the public chased down the suspect and secured him with bungee cords awaiting officer's arrival. The suspect was incarcerated and charged with Robbery and Theft. Great Job!

There were a total of 368 reports of intoxicated pedestrians in this period. That is down nearly 100 reports from last month and 200 from October. The colder weather is pushing some of these people inside, another contributor to the rise in Criminal Trespass and Disorderly Conduct arrests.

Animal Control:

There were 42 animal control calls for service for the month and 40 calls for service for pound duties. These numbers are fairly consistent. However, Bethel Friends of K9 is losing their kennel facility effective January 1, 2018 so there will be an increased demand and use of the animal pound and associated tasks until other arrangements are made.

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TRANSPORTATION INSPECTOR REPORT: **December 2017**

2017	December
New Chauffeurs	2
Chauffeur Renewals	7
Chauffeur Transfers	0
Vehicle Permit Renewals	0
Vehicle Transfers	0
Inspections	0
Revocations	0
Temporary Permits	0

- There was no semi-annual inspection this month.
- Alaska Cab will have their semi-annual inspection in January.
- There were 2 complaints made in the month of December. Both were complaints on a cab driver. One cab driver threatened to kick someone's butt for telling him his headlights needed to be on, and the other drove away with the person's child and luggage then refused to give them back unless paid extra money. Both were followed up by an officer and I when available.