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PUBLIC NOTICE REGULAR MEETING OF THE PUBLIC SAFETY & TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION **Wednesday, June 7th, 2017 –6:30 p.m.** **300 STATE HIGHWAY – CITY COUNCIL CHAMBERS** **AGENDA**

Members

- Joan Dewey
Chair
- Eileen Henrikson
Vice Chair
- Norman Ayagalria
Council Representative
- Naim Shabani
- Julene Webber
- Daniel Maczynski
- Mary Weiss
- Mary Nanuwak
Alternate
- Jared Karr
Alternate

Ex-Officio Members

- Andre Achee
Chief of Police
- William Howell III
Fire Chief
- Christina Him
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 May 3rd, 2017
- VI. UNFINISHED BUSINESS
 - A. Update on the Traffic Impact Analysis of the YKHC’s hospital expansion project (*City Planner, Ted Meyer*)
 - B. GEMT (Ground Emergency Medical Transportation) Program Resolution (*Fire Chief Howell*)
- VII. NEW BUSINESS
 - A. BMC 2.52.070—Guidelines for Vacancies (*Vice Chair Henrikson*)
 - B. “Alternate Road” discussion (*City Manager, Pete Williams*)
 - C. Alcohol Impact on service response for TWC (*Director Eileen Arnold*)
 - D. DOT issues with new YKHC building (*Mary Weiss*)
- VIII. CHIEFS’ COMMENTS
 - Fire Chief
 - Police Chief
- IX. TRANSPORTATION INSPECTOR’S REPORT
- X. COUNCIL REPRESENTATIVE’S COMMENTS
- XI. COMMISSION MEMBER’S COMMENTS
- XII. ADJOURNMENT

Christina Him, *Recorder*
POSTED on June 2nd, 2017
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Next Public Safety and Transportation Commission Meeting will be July 5th, 2017.

City of Bethel, Alaska

Public Safety & Transportation Commission

May 3, 2017

Regular Meeting

Bethel, Alaska

I. CALL TO ORDER

A regular meeting of the Public Safety and Transportation Commission was held on May 3rd, 2017 in the Bethel City Hall Council Chambers.

This meeting was called to order at 6:30 pm.

II. ROLL CALL

Present:

Joan Dewey *Chair*
Eileen Henrikson *Vice Chair*
Norman Ayagalria *Council Representative*
Naim Shabani
Mary Weiss
Julene Webber
Daniel Maczynski
Jared Karr
Ted Meyer

Absent:

Bill Howell *Fire Chief*
Mary Nanuwak

Ex-Officio Present:

Andre Achee *Chief of Police*
Daron Solesbee *Fire Captain*
Christina Him *Recorder and Transportation Inspector Designee*

III. PEOPLE TO BE HEARD

No one to be heard.

IV. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

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| MOVED: | Ayagalria | Motion to approve the agenda. |
| SECONDED: | Henrikson | |
| VOTE ON MAIN MOTION | All in favor. | |

V. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

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| MOVED: | Shabani | Motion to approve the minutes from the regular meeting of April 5 th , 2017 |
| SECONDED: | Henrikson | |
| VOTE ON MAIN MOTION | All in favor. | |

VI. SPECIAL ITEM OF BUSINESS:

None

VII. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

A. Update on the Traffic Impact Analysis of the YKHC’s hospital expansion project (*City Planner, Ted Meyer*)

Conditional Use Permit meeting for YKHC scheduled for June 1st, 2017; the Planning Commission would approve C.U.P. with conditions that YKHC would have a plan to mitigate traffic.

Discussed, no action taken.

B. GEMT (Ground Emergency Medical Transportation) Program Resolution (*Fire Chief Howell*)

Resolution moved through legislation and has been forwarded to the Finance Committee.

VIII. NEW BUSINESS

A. Animal Control Officer Position (*Council Representative Ayagalria*)

Discussed, no action taken.

IX. CHIEFS’ COMMENTS

Chief Bill Howell- *See report in commission packet.*

Chief Andre Achee – *See report in commission packet.*

X. TRANSPORTATION INSPECTOR’S REPORT

See report in commission packet.

XI. COUNCIL REPRESENTATIVE’S COMMENTS

Norman Ayagalria – *I just want to thank the Chief of Police for the budget meeting, he clarified a lot of things I had questions on, including the CSP program and its current mission. As soon as budget season is over, I'm looking to get an action memorandum going on behalf of the Public Safety & Transportation Commission so we can get more officers here to prevent things like burn out and high stress situations.*

XII. COMMISSION MEMBER COMMENTS

Jared Karr – *No Comment.*

Joan Dewey – *This is a great time to see so many members on this commission, that's very cool, so we can keep going forward hopefully addressing issues. I'm glad to be here and to see so many show up for the meeting, thank you.*

Eileen Henrikson – *No comment.*

Naim Shabani – *I would like to publicly thank Christina for her awesome service. She is a perfect example of the professionalism that is promoted by the police department, and thanks Andre for leading by example as well. I have dealt with people in Christina's position for a long time now, but she goes above and beyond and I want you to know that your work did not go unnoticed and I speak for a hundred of people saying that, so best of luck to you in your future.*

Julene Webber – *I will miss Christina.*

Daniel Maczynksi – *I'm glad to see a big of a turnout here. I don't remember the last time we had a quorum or when I was here, and I'm just happy to see this many people on this commission.*

Mary Weiss – *No comment.*

XIII. ADJOURNMENT

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| MOVED: | Ayagalria | Motion to adjourn. |
| SECONDED: | Shabani | |
| VOTE ON MAIN MOTION | All in favor. | |

Meeting adjourned at 8:12 pm.

APPROVED THIS _____ DAY OF _____, 2017.

Christina Him, Recorder

Joan Dewey, Chair

June 29, 2004

Bob Herron, City Manager
City of Bethel
P.O. Box 388
Bethel, Alaska 99559

RE: H Marker Road

Dear Mr. Herron:

The following is provided as a follow-up to your recent meeting with Deputy Commissioner Knudson. Thank you for your offer of free materials and to transfer ownership of H Marker Road to the City of Bethel in exchange for the Alaska Department of Transportation and Public Facilities (ADOT&PF) repairing it.

The history and status of H Marker Road is long and complicated, making it difficult to transfer the road to the city of Bethel. Technically, H Marker Road does not exist as a legal state road. It was originally built as a service access road used to provide maintenance access to the Homing Marker (H Marker). In later years, someone extended the road to access private property on the lake without legal approval. Individuals currently using the road are in trespass on airport property. The right-of-way in question is held by the state under a Section 16 patent from the federal government. ADOT&PF cannot transfer fee ownership of the property unless federal legislation is passed to remove the reverter clause from our patent.

The reverter clause states that if the land ceases to be used for airport purposes, it automatically reverts to the federal government. If federal legislative authorization is received, we could initiate the process to convey the property to the City of Bethel. This is a complicated and lengthy process and does not qualify for federal funding to cover our costs as part of the project. The City may not be able to convey the land from the federal government without special legislation if the Village Corporation, Regional Corporation, or Wildlife Refuge has entitlement to the land.

The Department is willing to grant a road permit to the City that would give the City public access and the authority to maintain H Marker Road. We have contacted the Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) and they do not object to granting such a permit. However, they would like to see traffic routing techniques to prevent traffic from proceeding beyond the existing subdivision access roads. A road permit for all roads on

airport property will be negotiated with the City at the conclusion of the Tundra Ridge Road Improvement project. We do not currently have funding available for repairing the access road nor do we expect to receive funding in the foreseeable future.

If you have questions, please contact me at 1-907-269-0770 or by E-mail at Gordon_Keith@dot.state.ak.us. Thank you.

Sincerely,

Gordon C. Keith, P.E.
Acting Regional Director

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cc: Mary Boden, FAA
Lawrence J Davis, Foreman, ADOT&PF
Harvey Douthit, P.E., Project Manger ADOT&PF
Dave Heier, Right of Way Agent, Right of Way Agent, ADOT&PF
John Lovett, P.E., Airport Planner, FAA
Bob Norton, Leasing Officer, Leasing& Property Management, ADOT&PF

Bethel - YKHC Hospital Expansion DOT/PF Approach Road Review ARR Permit #25885

*Project Manager – Scott Thomas, P.E.
Permitting Agent – Kevin Vakalis
Planner – Donald Fancher*

Scope: . Expand hospital by 130,000 square feet, 330 new employees for a new primary care clinic. Renovate existing hospital buildings at 117,000 square feet and 200 employees. Reorganize parking, driveway access, onsite circulation and pedestrian facilities. Relocate and harden pathway off the roadway section. Restripe the roadway as 3 lanes with a left turn lane at each major hospital access point, by 2018. DOT/PF to follow with pavement preservation project in 2019. Hospital/Clinic renovations and expansion opening about 2020.

Existing 2 lane highway frontage, large turning volumes, has been as high as 10,000 vehicles per day peak. High use ped crossing at over 60 peds per hour historically –has a ped crossing beacon installed by DOT/PF.

Issues:

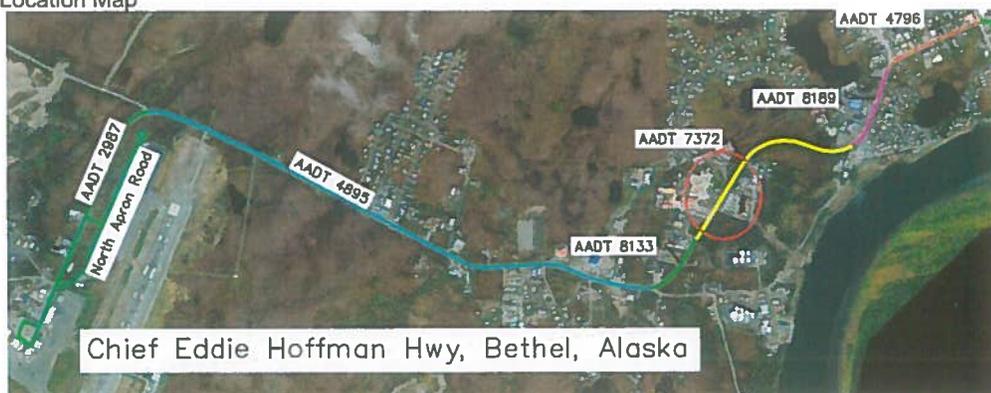
- Conditional Use Permit (City of Bethel) review 6/1/17.
- Draft concept pathway relocation: DOT conceptual acceptance 5/5/17. Requires traffic impact mitigation. Driveway Permit (DOT/PF) pending YKHC concurrence with concept. Permit mitigation required per 17 AAC 10.020 prior to opening facility, also to allow DOT/PF 1R paving followup.
- Cost: <= \$1 million to still serve public good at least private cost. Other widening and intersection options considered are about \$5 million dollar ideas.
- Design & Construction – more details will be hammered out on inspection, testing, bonding, insurance, after general agreement on concept.
- Maintenance – beacon electrical and repairs should be transferred, borne by YKHC per 17 AAC 10.020.

Status: Critical path is Conditional Use Permit. DOT/PF accepted the Traffic Impact Analysis identifying need for left turn lanes (3 lanes) along hospital frontage. DOT/PF requires more than a Clinic solution or partial frontage solution. Entire clinic plus internal circulation plus renovation means entire campus solution required.

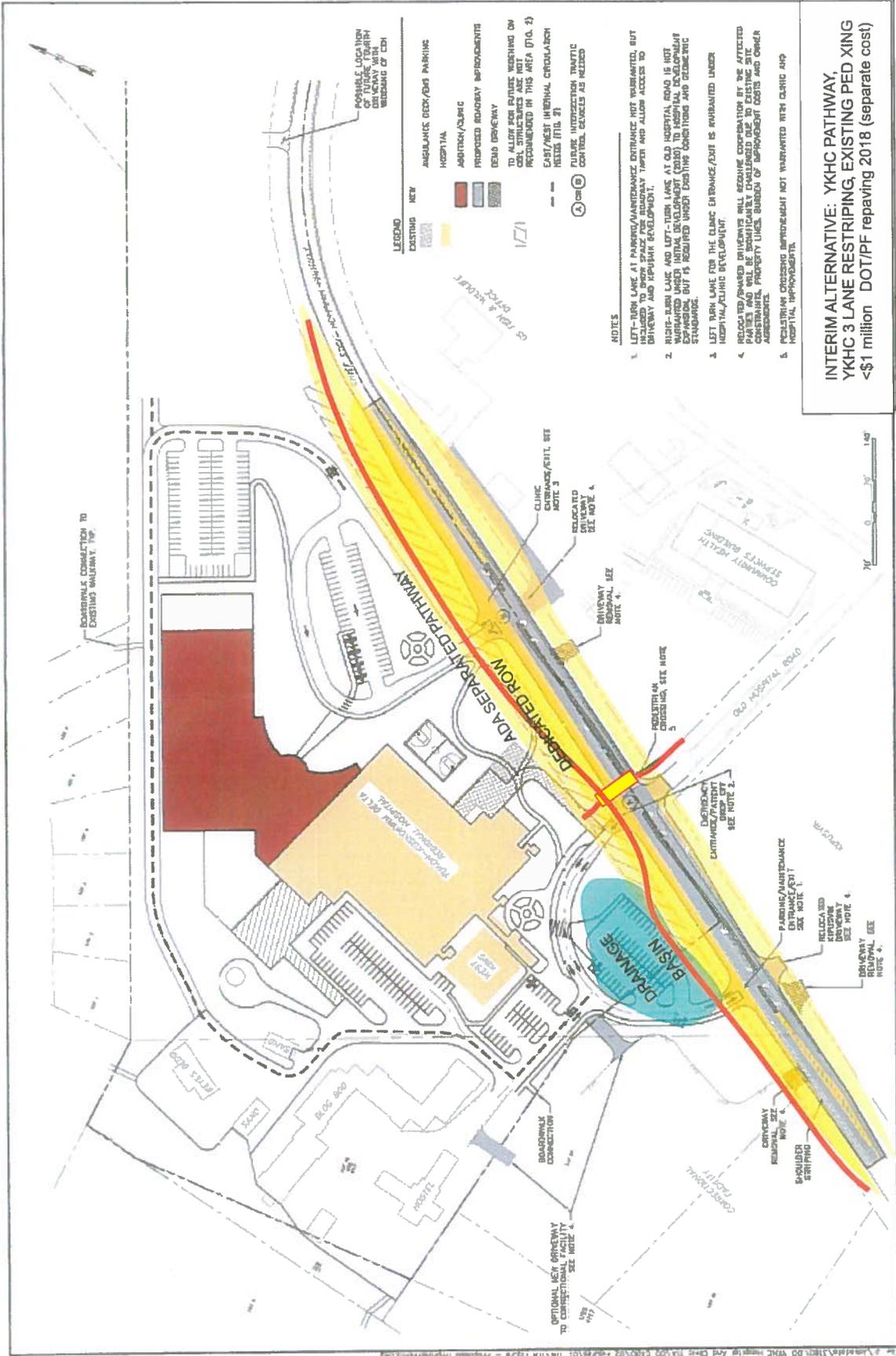
Other key milestones are:

- TIA begun on October 2015
- TIA accepted after 3 revisions on October 10, 2016, to comply with Comp Plan and entire campus analysis, not just clinic
- Draft Agreement, drawings on Mitigation Concept accepted by DOT/PF May 5, 2017
- Conditional Use Permit Hearing June 1, 2017
- Design Review June 2017
- Construction –2017-2018 on or before DOT/PF 1R pavement preservation work

Location Map



Last updated: 5/12/17



Reduced roundabout, experimental



Reduced roundabout, experimental



CITY OF BETHEL
Fire Department

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Celebrating 50 Years of Service

DATE: May 31, 2017
TO: Pete Williams, City Manager
FROM: Bill Howell, Fire Chief
SUBJECT: May 2017 Management Report

Current Events

- A draft RFP for ambulance billing services was submitted to finance for review.
- The department is working with the architects for the new YKHC clinic building to determine interior standpipe locations and other fire service features.
- A review of fire hydrant locations was conducted for the institutional corridor project on May 9. We are working closely with the Public Works Director and the system engineer.
- The department administrative staff is drafting a new Policies, Procedures, S.O.P., Rules and Regulations manual for the department. The new PPM will roll out in the next few months.
- Department staff have substantially completed annual hose and ground ladder testing. These activities ensure equipment safety, while also being an essential part of the documentation required to maintain community fire insurance rates.
- House bill 176, GEMT legislation is currently on hold in the Health and Social Services committee. There is a high probability this will be passed to House Finance once the regular session resumes in 2018. This bill is alive but was not carried into the extended session.
- Medics 6 fundraising continued with our annual Memorial Day Garage sale and the Bethel Bowls fundraiser in April. An additional \$4,500 was raised for the new ambulance during this period.

Training

- An EMT 1 class is scheduled for November 2017 for anyone interested in volunteering or even eventual employment as a Firefighter/EMT.
- On 5-2-17 EMS Training 7p.m Fire Station. Review BFD Medical Standing Orders regarding trauma treatment guidelines and practiced trauma management techniques, including: Oxygen delivery, Bleeding Control, IV fluid therapy, C-Collar placement, Long Back Board, and Cardiac Monitoring.
- On 5-16-17 EMS Training 7p.m. Fire Station. Review BFD Medical Standing Orders and State of Alaska EMT Skill Sheets, practice treatment techniques for the management of thoracic (chest) trauma.
- On 5-25-17 Fire Training 7p.m. Fire Station. Review fire attack techniques with regard to modern fire behavior (SLICE-RS, VEIS, etc.), fire attack drills at the BFD Training Tower.
- On 5-12-17 through 5-14-17 Firefighter/EMT Haviland attended the Marine Firefighter Symposium Training In Homer. He learned Firefighting techniques in boats and fuel tank farms.
- Month of May, the Firefighter one course held training every Monday, Wednesday, most Friday's and every Saturday, at the Fire station and at the Fire Training Tower. Topics included, Firefighter Survival, Ladders, Water Supply/ Hydrants, Hose, Fire Attack, Search and Rescue. The Firefighter One class will continue through July 2017.

Responses

- There were 151 calls for service in May: 139 Medical and 12 Fire. Of the Medical calls, 53% are alcohol related.
- On 5-4-17 at 3:03 p.m. medics responded to the area of Joe Lomack Beach for a person bleeding out of his stomach. Pt transported to the hospital.
- On 5-5-17 at fire fighters responded to the area behind LKSD for report of grass fire. The fire was extinguished and fire fighters returned to quarters.
- On 05-08-17 at or around 8:26 a.m. firefighters responded to the Kuskokwim River near Standard Oil Road for the report of two intoxicated individuals floating on a large ice flow. One victims returned to shore by themselves. The other was combative towards rescuers, but brought to shore by boat. Bethel Police Department Officers placed the individual in custody.
- On 05-11-17 at 1:12 p.m. medics responded to Ptarmigan Road for the report of a child who fell out of a vehicle and was bleeding from the head. Medics assessed, bandaged, and transported the patient to the hospital.
- On 5-21-17 at 6:00 p.m. medics responded to the area of City Sub for a person not breathing. Patient pronounced dead on scene and transferred scene to BPD.

- 05-25-17 at 8:35 a.m. medics responded to Morgan House for the report of a person who was unresponsive and not breathing. Upon arrival, medics pronounced the patient as deceased and made no attempt at resuscitation. Medics cleared the scene and Bethel Police Department officers conducted an investigation.
- On 5-27-17 at 4:00 p.m., Medics and Firefighters responded to Front street for the report of an explosion and injury. There was one patient found and transported to YKER. There was no fire.
- On 5-28-17 at 7:00 p.m., Medics responded to Standard Oil Road for the report of a Patient who has a seizure. When medics arrived, they found two patients; one assaulted and one who had a seizure. The patients were evaluated and transported to the Hospital.

Budget/Financial

- The department is working diligently on our FY 18 budget proposal. The Fire Chief and or staff have attended all budget meetings.
- As we reach the final month of the FY17, we are reviewing all department accounts for overages and discrepancies. Excluding overtime and insurance, fire department accounts are operating within acceptable limits.
- Demands on personnel, career and volunteer have been significant this year with unprecedented call volume. The department is using off duty staff on standby and call back pay to cover open slots in the shifts and provide a minimum of two personnel on duty at all times. Callback is currently \$18,879 over budget. FLSA overtime is \$10,358 over budget.
- An account deficit in the department's insurance 10-60-721 account was forwarded to the finance department for review. This account is \$23,228 over budget.

Grants

- The Department received \$7,500 in funding for portable radios through the 2017 VFA grant. Purchases under this grant will be made soon.
- The Department applied to the FEMA Assistance to Firefighters Grant for 38 sets of firefighter turnouts. The request totaled \$102,000 with a match of only 5%. We are waiting for a response.

Staffing/recruitment

- The Department is fully staffed but needs an additional FTE position and volunteers to meet increased demand.
- Volunteer Firefighters and EMT's are needed. If you or someone you know might be interested, please invite them to contact the Fire Chief or Fire Captain.

Applications are available at the fire station or can be emailed to potential applicants.

Vehicles & Equipment

- The Medic 6 build is moving forward quickly. Several pieces of equipment have been sent to the factory for inclusion in the build of the ambulance. Delivery is “booked” and expected in September of 2018. Fundraising continues for equipment for this vehicle.
- The department is continuing to refine the specifications for a new ladder truck and tender to replace the two 1980 vehicles that are identified in our FY 18 budget for replacement.
- The department’s 1980 Ladder Truck is currently out of service due to a non-working boom and defunct pump.
- Engine three, our 1986 Grumman reserve pumper, is still out of service to repair a leaking tank, relief valve, tank to pump valve and pump packing. This work is being performed by department staff. Fire fighters began descaling the tank with hand electric grinders. A sandblaster is ordered to descale the water tank in preparation for epoxy coating. Failure to treat the water tank in this fashion would result in continued pitting and eventual catastrophic failure.

| FIRE DEPARTMENT VEHICLE STATUS | | | |
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| Vehicle | Type | Year | Status |
| Medic 4 | Ambulance | 1999 | <i>(Backup ambulance)</i> In service |
| Medic 5 | Ambulance | 2003 | <i>(Frontline Ambulance)</i> In service, broken headlight fixture. Work order issued. (Plan to remount to new chassis in 2018) |
| Engine 4 | Pumper | 2013 | <i>(Frontline pumper)</i> In service, Seat belt sensor fault. Work order issued. |
| Engine 3 | Pumper | 1986 | <i>(Back up pumper)</i> Out of service, Tank and pump repair in progress. Waiting for sandblaster. Brakes locked. Work order issued. (Aged out 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, needs replacement). |
| Com 1 | Pickup | 2014 | Out of service, needs registration, plow OS. |
| Com 2 | Pickup | 2004 | In service, plow and running board needs repair. |

CITY OF BETHEL
POLICE DEPARTMENT



TRANSPORTATION INSPECTOR REPORT: May 2017

| 2017 | May |
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| New Chauffeurs | 0 |
| Chauffeur Renewals | 5 |
| Chauffeur Transfers | 0 |
| Vehicle Permit Renewals | 0 |
| Vehicle Transfers | 0 |
| Inspections | 14 |
| Revocations | 0 |
| Temporary Permits | 0 |

- Quyana Cab had their semi-annual inspections this month, no major issues noted
- There are no scheduled semi-annual inspections for June, however we plan to conduct routine random inspections.
- Alaska Taxi Cab will have their scheduled semi-annual inspections in July.
- There were 5 complaints made in the month of May – 2 driving complaints on Quyana Cab as well as 2 on Kusko Cabs and another complaint on cabs in general speeding up and down near the airports. All were followed up by an Officer or myself when applicable. Drivers were given verbal warnings for their driving.