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PUBLIC NOTICE
REGULAR MEETING OF THE
PUBLIC SAFETY & TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION
Wednesday, November 7th, 2018 –6:30 p.m.
300 STATE HIGHWAY – CITY COUNCIL CHAMBERS
AGENDA

Members

Jared Karr
Chair

Fritz Charles
Council Representative

Joan Dewey

Monroe Tyler

Ex-Officio Members

Burke Waldron
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
April 4, May 2, June 6, July 5, August 1, September 5, October 3
- VI. UNFINISHED BUSINESS
 - A. Update on Transportation Planning (City Manager)
 - B. Commission Guidelines and Standards for Meeting Conduct (*Chair*)
 - C. Update on Tracking Cellphone calls to 911 (*Chief Waldron*)
 - D. Markers around Pinky's Park to Help Solve Problem of Reporting Locations within the Park
 - E. Ordinance for Addresses (*Chief Howell*)
- VII. NEW BUSINESS
 - A. Long Range Transportation Plan Ideas (*Chief Waldron*)
- VIII. CHIEFS' COMMENTS
 - Fire Chief
 - Chief of Police
- IX. TRANSPORTATION INSPECTOR'S REPORT
- X. COUNCIL REPRESENTATIVE'S COMMENTS
- XI. COMMISSION MEMBER'S COMMENTS
- XII. ADJOURNMENT

Jesslyn McGowan

Jesslyn McGowan, *Recorder*

POSTED on October 31, 2018

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Next Public Safety and Transportation Commission Meeting will be **December 05, 2018**

City of Bethel, Alaska

Public Safety & Transportation Commission

April 4th, 2018

Regular Meeting

Bethel, Alaska

I. CALL TO ORDER

A regular meeting of the Public Safety and Transportation Commission was held on April 4th, 2018 in the Bethel City Hall Council Chambers.

This meeting was called to order at 6:38 pm.

II. ROLL CALL

Present: Eileen Henrikson *Chair*
Jared Karr *Vice Chair*
Julene Webber
Joan Dewey
Monroe Tyler

Absent: Naim Shabani *Council Representative*
Mary Weiss
Mary Nanuwak

Ex-Officio Present: Burke Waldron *Chief of Police*
William Howell *Fire Chief*
Jesslyn McGowan *Recorder*

III. PEOPLE TO BE HEARD

No one to be heard.

IV. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

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

V. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

MOVED:	Dewey	Motion to approve the minutes from the regular meeting of March 7 th , 2018
SECONDED:	Karr	
VOTE ON MAIN MOTION	All in favor.	

VI. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

A. Update on Transportation Planning

City Manager Pete Williams absent.

VII. NEW BUSINESS

A. Update on Taxi Rate Increase

Jared Karr updated the commission on what the council all approved in the ordinance and also what they added in the ordinance.

B. Update on Phase II 911 System

Chief Waldron gave an update on where they are at in the process of Phase II. Chief Howell mentioned a teleconference he will be attending with the Fire Marshall regarding dispatch centers.

C. BMC Code 5.30.100(F) Review

The commission reviewed the ordinance they want to send to council. They fixed what they want to strike out and what they want to add to 5.20.100(F)

MOVED:	Karr	Motion to amend the proposed wording in ordinance 18-XX in packet to new proposed wording.
SECONDED:	Dewey	
VOTE ON MAIN MOTION	All in favor.	

VIII. CHIEF’S COMMENTS

Chief Waldron – See Report in Commission Packet

Fire Chief Howell – See Report in Commission Packet

IX. TRANSPORTATION INSPECTOR’S REPORT

See Report in Commission Packet

X. COUNCIL REPRESENTATIVE’S COMMENTS

Council Representative absent

XI. COMMISSION MEMBER’S COMMENTS

Eileen Henrikson- Stated she has a position open in her department at YK and if anyone knows someone who is looking for a job, to let them know.

Jared Karr- Wanted to state there are two vacancies on the commission and that Mary Nanuwak had resigned from the commission at the City Council meeting.

Julene Webber- Wanted to thank the Chief of Police for getting the Police Department up to staff and it’s nice to see how far the department has come.

Joan Dewey- No Comment

Monroe Tyler- No Comment

XII. ADJOURNMENT

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

Meeting adjourned at 7:34 pm.

APPROVED THIS _____ DAY OF _____, 2018.

Jesslyn McGowan, Recorder

Eileen Henrikson, Chair

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City of Bethel, Alaska

Public Safety & Transportation Commission

May 2, 2018

Regular Meeting

Bethel, Alaska

I. CALL TO ORDER

A regular meeting of the Public Safety and Transportation Commission was held on May 2nd, 2018 in the Bethel City Hall Council Chambers.

This meeting was called to order at 6:45pm.

II. ROLL CALL

Present: Eileen Henrikson *Chair*
Julene Webber

Absent: Jared Karr *Vice Chair*
Naim Shabani *Council Representative*
Mary Weiss
Joan Dewey
Monroe Tyler
William Howell III *Fire Chief*

Ex-Officio Present: Burke Waldron *Police Chief*
Jesslyn McGowan *Recorder*

A quorum was not established of the Commission.

III. ADJOURNMENT

Meeting adjourned at 6:45 pm.

APPROVED THIS _____ DAY OF _____, 2018.

Jesslyn McGowan, Recorder

Eileen Henrikson, Chair

City of Bethel, Alaska

Public Safety & Transportation Commission

June 6, 2018

Regular Meeting

Bethel, Alaska

I. CALL TO ORDER

A regular meeting of the Public Safety and Transportation Commission was held on June 6th, 2018 in the Bethel City Hall Council Chambers.

This meeting was called to order at 6:41pm.

II. ROLL CALL

Present: Joan Dewey
Brian Henry *Council Representative*

Absent: Eileen Henrikson *Chair*
Jared Karr *Vice Chair*
Mary Weiss
Julene Webber
Monroe Tyler
Mary Nanuwak *Alternate*
Jesslyn McGowan *Recorder*

Ex-Officio Present: Burke Waldron *Police Chief*
William Howell III *Fire Chief*

Others Present: Cindy Sharp
Judy Wasierski
Lori Strickler *City Clerk*

A quorum was not established of the Commission.

III. ADJOURNMENT

Meeting adjourned at 6:42 pm.

APPROVED THIS _____ DAY OF _____, 2018.

Jesslyn McGowan, Recorder

Eileen Henrikson, Chair

City of Bethel, Alaska

Public Safety & Transportation Commission

July 5, 2018

Regular Meeting

Bethel, Alaska

I. CALL TO ORDER

A regular meeting of the Public Safety and Transportation Commission was held on July 5th, 2018 in the Bethel City Hall Council Chambers.

This meeting was called to order at 6:42pm.

II. ROLL CALL

Present: Jared Karr *Vice Chair*
Joan Dewey
Monroe Tyler

Absent: Eileen Henrikson *Chair*
Brian Henry *Council Representative*
Mary Weiss
Julene Webber
Mary Nanuwak *Alternate*
William Howell III *Fire Chief*

Ex-Officio Present: Burke Waldron *Police Chief*
Jesslyn McGowan *Recorder*

A quorum was not established of the Commission.

III. ADJOURNMENT

Meeting adjourned at 6:43 pm.

APPROVED THIS _____ DAY OF _____, 2018.

Jesslyn McGowan, Recorder

Eileen Henrikson, Chair

City of Bethel, Alaska

Public Safety & Transportation Commission

August 1, 2018

Regular Meeting

Bethel, Alaska

I. CALL TO ORDER

A regular meeting of the Public Safety and Transportation Commission was held on August 1st, 2018 in the Bethel City Hall Council Chambers.

This meeting was called to order at 6:41pm.

II. ROLL CALL

Present: Monroe Tyler

Absent: Eileen Henrikson *Chair*
Jared Karr *Vice Chair*
Brian Henry *Council Representative*
Mary Weiss
Julene Webber
Joan Dewey
Mary Nanuwak *Alternate*
William Howell III *Fire Chief*
Jesslyn McGowan *Recorder*

Ex-Officio Present: Burke Waldron *Police Chief*

A quorum was not established of the Commission.

III. ADJOURNMENT

Meeting adjourned at 6:41 pm.

APPROVED THIS _____ DAY OF _____, 2018.

Jesslyn McGowan, Recorder

Eileen Henrikson, Chair

City of Bethel, Alaska

Public Safety & Transportation Commission

September 5, 2018

Regular Meeting

Bethel, Alaska

I. CALL TO ORDER

A regular meeting of the Public Safety and Transportation Commission was held on September 5th, 2018 in the Bethel City Hall Council Chambers.

This meeting was called to order at 6:43pm.

II. ROLL CALL

Present: Jared Karr *Vice Chair*
Joan Dewey
Mary Nanuwak *Alternate*

Absent: Eileen Henrikson *Chair*
Brian Henry *Council Representative*
Monroe Tyler
Mary Weiss
Julene Webber
William Howell III *Fire Chief*

Ex-Officio Present: Amy Davis *Lieutenant (For Police Chief)*
Jesslyn McGowan *Recorder*

Others Present: Pete Williams *City Manager*

A quorum was not established of the Commission.

III. ADJOURNMENT

Meeting adjourned at 6:43 pm.

APPROVED THIS _____ DAY OF _____, 2018.

Jesslyn McGowan, Recorder

Eileen Henrikson, Chair

City of Bethel, Alaska

Public Safety & Transportation Commission

October 03, 2018

Regular Meeting

Bethel, Alaska

I. CALL TO ORDER

A regular meeting of the Public Safety and Transportation Commission was held on October 3rd, 2018 in the Bethel City Hall Council Chambers.

This meeting was called to order at 6:34pm.

II. ROLL CALL

Present: Jared Karr *Vice Chair*
Joan Dewey
Monroe Tyler

Absent: Eileen Henrikson *Chair*
Brian Henry *Council Representative*
Julene Webber
Mary Weiss
Mary Nanuwak *Alternate*

Ex-Officio Present: Burke Waldron *Police Chief*
William Howell III *Fire Chief*
Jesslyn McGowan *Recorder*

A quorum was not established of the Commission.

III. ADJOURNMENT

Meeting adjourned at 6:34 pm.

APPROVED THIS _____ DAY OF _____, 2018.

Jesslyn McGowan, Recorder

Eileen Henrikson, Chair

PS&TC CHAIR'S STANDARDS

ABSENCES

Excused – Advance notice of illness or prior obligation to the recorder.

Unexcused – No advance notice of illness or prior obligation to the recorder. Three unexcused absences w/in 12 months is grounds for being removed from the Commission.

During roll call, the chair will identify if a member is excused or un-excused. A record of excused and unexcused will be recorded in the meeting minutes as such. The Commission may overrule the decision of the chair by a majority vote.

MEETING START TIME/ROLL CALL

All meetings will begin at the set on the agenda, members of the body are expected to be present at the start of the meeting. If a quorum is not established at the time set on the agenda, and the absent members have not previously provided notice to the recorder that they were going to be absent, the chair will recess the meeting for a period of ten minutes unless a shorter time period is necessary to establish a quorum. If a quorum of the body is not established within ten minutes of the meeting being called to order, the chair will adjourn the meeting unless there is significant evidence to show that a quorum of the body will be established timely.

MEMBERS CONDUCT AT THE MEETING

Members shall perform their duties in accordance with the processes and rules established by Statutes, Municipal Law.

Members are expected to be prepared for the public issues; listen courteously and attentively to all public discussion before the body and focus on business at hand. The members will be presented with clear and concise meeting topics to which they are obligated to limit discussion to 5 minutes for discussion per member, in accordance to Alaska Statutes Title 44 and Roberts Rules of Order. Extra time will be afforded to members upon direction of the chair, only after all members have had a chance to voice their debate. When possible, the discussions and debates will begin with a motion which is made and seconded. To ensure decorum in debate and parliamentary rule is maintained, the membership will look to the chair to obtain permission to speak on an issue. The Chair will try to allow each person an opportunity to be heard once on each issue prior to permitting anyone from speaking twice. To the extent possible, each person will be limited to speaking twice on any one issue for ten minutes total.

When a brain storming session is appropriate, the Chair will closely monitor the discussion to ensure the discussion is germane to the topic at hand. If during the brainstorming session the group/an individual gets off topic, the chair will bring order back to the discussion by providing a reminder of the topic. If a member continues to be disruptive to the progression of the meeting by not ensuring their comments are germane, the chair may limit that individual's opportunity to speak on the issue.

If the group's brainstorming session progresses to a debate on the possible actions associated with the topic, the chair will ask for a motion to be placed before the body and the merits of the motion may ensue.

The professional and personal conduct of members while exercising their office must be above reproach and avoid even the appearance of impropriety. Members shall refrain from abusive conduct, personal charges or verbal attacks upon the character or motives of other members.

It is the responsibility of the chair to keep the comments of members on track during public meetings. Members should honor efforts by the chair to focus discussion on current agenda items to help ensure efficiency in public business and the legal requirements are met with the public process.



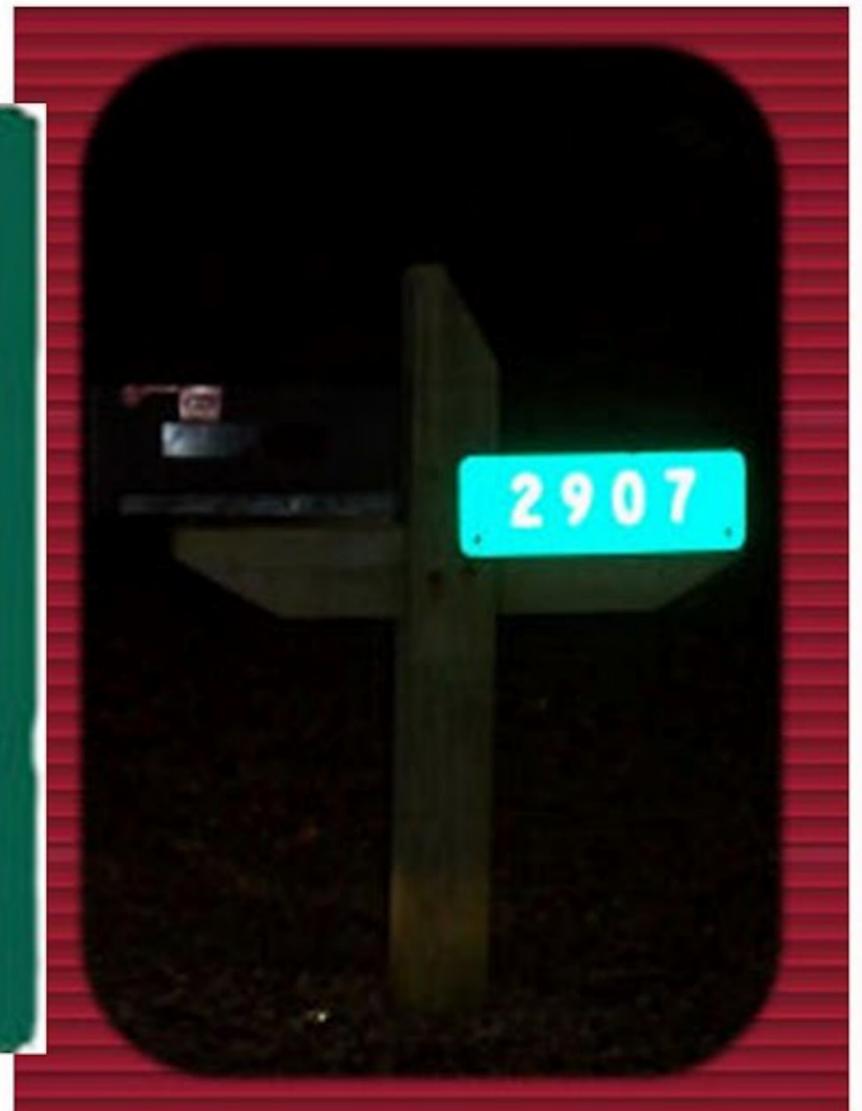
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- Use these posts for color coding hiking, biking or ski trails. With our numbering kit, the posts can identify campsites, parking or other areas
- Place posts near recreation areas
- Owners and managers of public and private parks and trails should use these signs



Grid List

Signs Ranked by: Popularity | Language | Color | A-Z



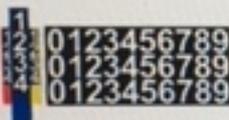
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Post-Utility_Blue
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Introduced by: Council Member Williams
Date: August 28, 2018
Public Hearing: September 11, 2018
Action:
Vote:

CITY OF BETHEL, ALASKA

Ordinance #18-21

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 17.50 OF THE BETHEL MUNICIPAL CODE PROPERTY NUMBERING AND STREET SIGNS

WHEREAS Uniform, legible and visible address numbering is critical to the health, safety and welfare of a community;

WHEREAS Many Bethel homes have no address numbers or have numbers that are not visible from the street;

WHEREAS Bethel homes and businesses often display a multitude of non-standard address numbering;

WHEREAS Bethel Municipal Code sets no standard for size, type, color, reflectivity or location of address numbering;

WHEREAS Bethel Police, Firefighters and Emergency Medical Technicians routinely have difficulty locating a given address during emergencies, especially at night when address numbers are extremely difficult to see;

WHEREAS Bethel residents and visitors also report difficulty, locating addresses, especially at night.

NOW BE IT ORDAINED, the City Council amends Bethel Municipal Code Chapter 17.50 to establish uniform address signage requirements, new penalties and direct the administration to develop a process to provide signs to property owners.

SECTION 1. Classification. This is a Codified Ordinance and shall become part of the Bethel Municipal Code.

SECTION 2. Amendment. Bethel Municipal Code Section 17.50 is amended as follows (new language is underlined and old language is stricken):

Chapter 17.50 PROPERTY NUMBERING AND STREET NAMES

17.50.010 ~~Number map~~ City of Bethel Address Map.

The ~~property numbering map~~ entitled "~~Property Number Map~~ City of Bethel Address Map" is adopted as the official property numbering map of the city. All property numbers assigned shall

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be assigned in accordance with the numbering official address map and no other property numbers shall be used or displayed in the city unless in accordance with the official numbering address map. The property numbering City of Bethel Address Map shall be kept on file in the office of the city clerk.

17.50.020 Street names.

Street names shall be determined by planning commission resolution. The planning commission shall review the proposed street names for duplication of names, appropriateness of names, and for overall compliance with the street naming and numbering policy. The planning commission may modify or amend the street name proposed on a plat as it deems necessary in order to bring it into compliance with the street naming and numbering system. The decision of the commission may be appealed to the board of adjustment under the procedures set out in Chapter 18.68 BMC within fifteen (15) days after action by the planning commission.

17.50.030 Final subdivision plats.

The approved street names and property numbers shall be included in all final maps and plats.

17.50.040 Street name signs.

Street name signs will be uniform in appearance.

17.50.050 Numbering blocks.

A. On the official ~~property numbering map~~ City of Bethel Address Map, Ridgecrest Drive, from Ptarmigan Street to Sixth Avenue, is designated the north-south axis. The east-west axis is designated as follows: First Avenue to the east of the State Highway intersection and the State Highway west of the First Avenue intersection.

B. All avenues, streets, and alleys running generally north and south shall be numbered from east-west axis consecutively to the corporate limits of the extremities of such avenues, streets, or alleys. Avenues, streets, or alleys running generally east and west shall be numbered from the north-south axis in the same manner.

C. Whenever possible, one hundred (100) numbers shall be allowed to each block. New blocks shall be numbered each five hundred (500) feet of ground or existing streets shall be assigned the number nearest the five-hundred (500) foot interval.

17.50.060 Numbering individual property.

A. One whole number shall be assigned for every thirty-three (33) feet of ground whether improved property or vacant lot on every street within the corporate limits, excluding U.S.S. 3790 from south of the bridge (East Avenue) (~~Lousetown~~) and U.S.S. 870 (Mission Lake), which will be assigned whole numbers every twenty-five (25) feet.

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B. Odd numbers shall be assigned to the west side of all north-south streets and even numbers on the east side. On east-west streets, odd numbers shall be assigned on the south side and even numbers on the north side. In the case that a street does not run north-south or east-west, the direction to which a street is closest shall be used for the pure of odd/even numbering.

17.50.070 Exceptions.

Block 9, Northwest Addition of U.S. 3770 (City Subdivision) and the Tundra Ridge Subdivision shall retain their present numbers.

17.50.0890 Maintenance of numbers.

Every owner of improved property shall be responsible for displaying in a conspicuous place on said property the number assigned. The owner, occupant or person in charge of a house or building shall affix the number assigned within sixty (60) days of the date of written notice from the city to do so. Within sixty (60) days of the date of written notice from the city to do so, such person shall remove any numbers affixed to the house or building which may be confused with the number assigned.

17.50.090 Address sign requirements

A. New and existing buildings shall have *approved* address numbers, building numbers or *approved* building identification placed in a position that is plainly legible and visible from the street or road fronting the property. These numbers shall be a minimum of 4-inches (101.6 mm) in height, high intensity engineer grade, white retro-reflective affixed to a minimum of a 6–inches in height, high intensity, engineer grade, green retro-reflective background plaque. Background plaques shall provide a minimum 1-inch border around all characters. Numbers and letters shall be shall be Arabic or alphabetic, upper case, plain block font, minimum of 1/2 (12.7 mm) inch stroke. Signs and numbers shall be placed horizontally on buildings.

B. Where access is by means of a private road or driveway and the building (numbers) cannot be viewed from the public way, address numbers meeting the requirements of this section shall be placed on a monument, pole, sign or other means, at the nearest intersection with the public way in addition to the numbers on the building.

Address Numbers shall not be installed on the handrails or guardrails of exterior decks or landings. Address numbers shall be maintained in good condition and replaced when faded, deteriorated or otherwise unreadable

17.50.100 Numbers for future buildings.

Each building in which the principal use of a lot takes place shall be assigned a number in accordance with the property numbering map and the owner of said building or structure shall be responsible for the purchase and display of such numbers as set forth in BMC 17.50.0890.

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17.50.110 Unlawful to deface number.

It is unlawful for any person to alter, deface, or take down any number placed on any property in accordance with this chapter, except for repair or replacement of such number.

17.50.120 Penalties.

~~In the event that~~ If the owner or occupant or person in charge of any house or building fails to comply with the terms of this chapter by failing to affix the number assigned or to remove any numbers affixed to such house or building which may be confused with other numbers assigned thereto, within sixty (60) days after notification ~~or by failing within said period of sixty (60) days to remove any numbers affixed to such house or building which may be confused with the number assigned thereto,~~ the owner shall be fined subject to denial of utilities \$30 dollars per infraction in addition to any other penalty that may be imposed for violation of this chapter. ~~for failure to comply with the numbering Ordinance.~~

17.50.130 Use of Address Fines

The Planning Director shall use fines collected from numbering ordinance violations to purchase and provide compliant address signage for the owner, occupant or person in charge of the house or building.

17.50.140 Notification of number change.

Official notification of any change in property number shall be sent to property owners thirty (30) days before the effective date of the change.

17.50.150 Address Numbering for Large Developments

Educational, Healthcare and other large campus type developments bearing multiple buildings shall submit an address and signage plan to the Planning Director and Fire Chief for review and approval. Each building shall display numbers or other approved signage meeting the requirements of this chapter.

17.50.160 Verification of Numbering

The Planning Director and Police Chief or their designees shall verify that all address numbers issued concur with the Bethel E-911 database and the City of Bethel address map.

17.50.170 Existing or decorative signage

Existing or decorative address signs may be left in place or added as long as they do not conflict with or obscure address numbering required in this chapter.

17.50.180 Deficiency reporting

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The Planning Director shall provide a means for City employees and the Public to report missing, incorrect or non-compliant address numbers to the Planning Department. The Planning Director or their designee shall investigate and seek remedy on reported deficiencies within ten business days.

17.50.190 City provided address numbers

The City Manager or their designee shall develop a process whereby the City manages ordering and delivery of address numbers and bills the customer for actual costs.

17.50.200 Address number installation

Installation of numbers are the responsibility of the property or building owner. The City Manager or Planning Director may authorize City Employees or an approved contractor or volunteer to install an address sign(s) on the private residence of a disabled person or elder.

SECTION 3. Effective Date. This ordinance shall become effective ninety (90) days after passage by the Bethel City Council.

ENACTED THIS ____ DAY OF ____ 2018, BY A VOTE OF ____ IN FAVOR AND ____ OPPOSED.

Richard Robb, Mayor

ATTEST:

Lori Strickler, City Clerk



City of Bethel

Long Range Transportation Plan

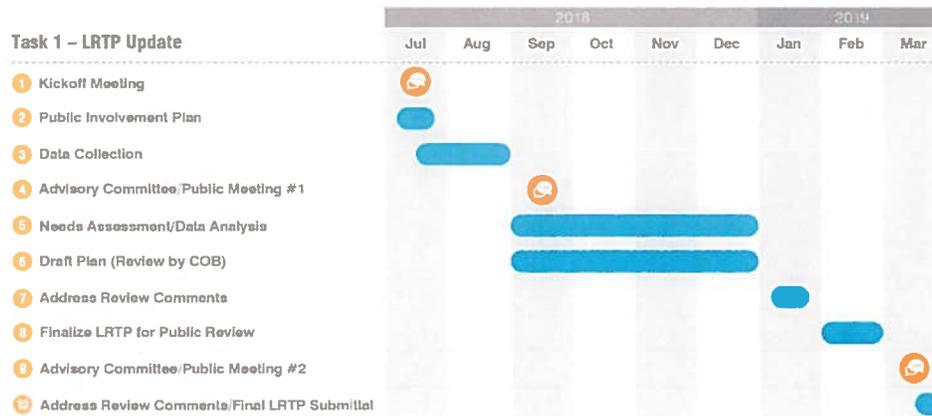
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FACT SHEET

WHAT IS THE CITY OF BETHEL LONG RANGE TRANSPORTATION PLAN (LRTP)?

The City of Bethel LRTP is a five-year multi-modal community transportation plan, including various vehicle fleets (planes, ATVs, snow machines, barges, skiffs, and automobiles) and modes (aviation, surface, and marine) of transportation. The LRTP is an element of the City of Bethel's Comprehensive Plan. The City of Bethel's focus during the LRTP planning process is to identify and develop the top five transportation project needs identified through this planning process.

LRTP SCHEDULE, JULY 2018 – MARCH 2019



WHAT IS THE TRANSPORTATION ADVISORY COMMITTEE (TAC)?

Purpose and Role: To guide the City of Bethel and the DOWL Planning Team through the planning process. The City of Bethel TAC will advise the planning team on:

- The Public Involvement Plan (PIP) and transportation planning process
- Vision, Goals and Objectives
- Coordinating with other transportation planning efforts in the region
- Surface, marine and aviation transportation issues and needs
- Project evaluation criteria
- Project/program recommendations
- Draft transportation plan



For additional information, please contact:

Pete Williams, City of Bethel City Manager, P: 907-543-2047 Ext. 223, citymanager@cityofbethel.net

To submit a comment or for technical information, please contact:

Adison Spafford, DOWL Project Manager, P: 907-865-1217, aspafford@dowl.com





City of Bethel

Long Range Transportation Plan

An Element of the
Comprehensive Plan

COMMENT SHEET

WE WANT TO HEAR FROM YOU!

Please provide us with your input on the City of Bethel LRTP so we can develop a LRTP that is appropriate for the City of Bethel benefiting all residents in Bethel.

1. What is your Vision for the City of Bethel's transportation system?

2. List three (3) goals that you would like identified in the LRTP

3. Provide your top three (3) transportation issues/needs in Bethel

Other comments:

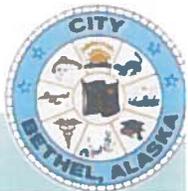
To receive project information, please provide your name, email, and postal address:

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CITY OF BETHEL
Fire Department

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Celebrating 50 Years of Service

DATE: October 30, 2018
TO: Pete Williams, City Manager
FROM: Bill Howell, Fire Chief
SUBJECT: Management Report, October 2018

Current Events

- October is Fire Prevention Month in Alaska. Hundreds of children grades Pre-K through 4th have visited the station to learn about fire safety. Additionally we are selling smoke detectors changing detector batteries and visiting stores in the month of October to get the word out.
- Department staff and volunteers raised over \$3500 at our annual Fill the Boot fundraiser for the Muscular Dystrophy Association.
- Bethel Fire Department has been selected as a test site for the new Medicaid supplemental reimbursement program (GEMT). Being part of this pilot will allow Bethel to shape the program to meet Bethel's needs. GEMT legislation (HB 176) was signed into law in June of this year. This law allows municipal and tribal ambulance services to receive reimbursement of 50% or more of the uncompensated cost (UCC) of providing ambulance service.

Bethel's ambulance service costs the City around \$1500 per transport. The City receives about \$400 from Medicaid per transport. The City would be able to receive reimbursement for at least half of the UCC, \$1100. Current estimates suggest as much as 150K-200K in revenue from this program. These funds must be used for EMS purposes.

We are waiting for further information on steps needed to participate

- The department attends bi-weekly teleconferences with Lifequest services our ambulance billing company. These meetings are aimed at improving recovery of revenue through better documentation and timely filings.
- The new ladder truck is being outfitted with equipment.

- Homeland security made a site visit to inventory equipment awarded under Homeland Security grants. The department successfully provided all required information.

Community Planning/Preparedness

- On 10-30-18, the department participated in an emergency/disaster drill with the National Guard and State of Alaska DOT. The drill was held at the National Guard Hangar.
- The Department is updating the City of Bethel Emergency operations plan.
- The Department is assisting administration with the cleanup and disposal of a release of Muriatic Acid inside a storage container at the pool. The storage container was secured by BFD personnel with a Knox padlock until City personnel receive the proper training to neutralize and dispose of the materials.

Training

- On 10/02/18 at 7:00 p.m. an EMT Meeting was held at the fire station. Responders helped pack Fire Prevention bags for Fire Prevention Week and practiced placing patients with suspected spinal cord injuries into the full body vacuum mattress.
- On 10/11/18 at 7:00 p.m. a Fire Meeting was held at the fire station. Firefighters reviewed equipment on the new ladder truck, Truck-1, and climbed the aerial.
- On 10/16/18 at 7:00 p.m. an EMT Meeting was held at the fire station. Responders received instruction on EMS documentation to prove medical necessity for Medicaid and Medicare.
- On 10/25/18 and 10/26/18, the department received training on the new ladder truck from a representative of Pierce Manufacturing. Training topics included the overview of electrical system, emergency overrides, setting up the stabilizers, use of the elevated master stream, and safety considerations for operating the aerial device.
- Newly hired staff members have been conducting Firefighter and EMT skills verifications and have completed mandatory OSHA training. Additionally, new staff have completed and passed the department's firefighter physical agility test.

Responses

- Between 09/29/18 and 10/30/18, the Bethel Fire Department responded to 136 EMS and 11 Fire incidents.
- During this period, 73 EMS incidents (53.6%) were alcohol-related.

- On 09/30/18 at 5:08 a.m., medics responded to State Highway for a person who did not have a pulse. The patient had a valid Do Not Resuscitate order. Medics confirmed death and turned the scene over to BPD.
- On 10-01-18 at 1:51 a.m. Firefighters responded to Lulu Heron for the report of an apartment filled with smoke. Firefighters observed that the apartment was filled with white smoke from a pan of oil on the stove that had been left on, but no fire. Firefighters ventilated the apartment and returned to quarters.
- On 10-01-18 at 10:31 a.m. firefighters responded to Mikelnguut Elitnaurviat School for the report of a child on top of a shipping container.. Firefighters assisted the child down; the child was assessed by medics and transported to the hospital.
- On 10/01/18 at 12:17 p.m. Firefighters responded to AJ Way for the report of a vehicle fire. Firefighters observed a fully involved truck. Firefighters deployed the 100 ft. bumper line and were able to extinguish the fire. The cause of the fire is unknown.
- On 10/03/18 at 4:21 p.m. Firefighters responded to Neqlernaq Loop for the report of a kitchen fire. Firefighters observed that the fire had already been put out by homeowner using a fire extinguisher. While on scene, fire fighters noticed smoke in the kitchen and living room, but no smoke alarms sounding Firefighters assisted the homeowners with ventilating the smoke from their house, firefighters also inspected the homeowners' smoke detectors, and were able to verify that the homeowners' smoke detectors did work but were out of compliance date. The cause of the fire was determined as faulty electrical wire inside of stove.
- On 10/05/18 at 3:50 p.m. medics responded to Swanson's Grocery Store for the report of a person having a seizure. The patient was assessed and transported to the hospital.
- On 10/06/18 at 10:05 a.m. medics responded to AC Main for the report of an infant who was dropped. The patient was assessed and transported to the hospital.
- On 10/07/18 at 10:13 a.m. medics responded to the area of Second Avenue for the report of a deceased person. Medics confirmed death and left the scene to BPD Officers.
- On 10/12/18 at 12:13 p.m. medics responded to Akakeek Street for the report of a person who dislocated their shoulder. The patient was assessed and transported to the hospital.

- On 10/15/18 at 3:25 p.m. medics responded to the 4-H Teen Center for a child who had a broken arm. The patient assessed and transported to the hospital.
- On 10/18/18 at 1:00 a.m. medics responded to Tundra Ridge Subdivision for the report of an intoxicated person who was experiencing a behavioral outburst. The patient was assessed by medics, but was transported by BPD Officers.
- On 10-22-18 at 12:06 p.m. medics responded to Ptarmigan Road for the report of an elderly person experiencing respiratory distress. The patient was assessed and transported to the hospital.

Budget/Financial

- With 25% of the budget year (10-25-18) elapsed, the department has used 42% of regular and 35% of our callback overtime budget. Few shift-qualified staff, high alcohol related call volume and low volunteer turnout are factors causing the increase in overtime use. Full staffing, and reduced of calls for service into the slower winter months should curtail overtime use. Overtime use will be evaluated at the end of December to determine if modification to the budget is needed.

Grants

- The Department received funding through the Volunteer Fire Assistance program for \$7,470, for three sets of firefighting turnouts. This grant has a 10% match. The project total is \$8,300. The Department has submitted orders to a vendor.
- The Department applied for and passed the first round of approval the Phase 18 Code blue Grant for \$45,000 for the remount of Medic-5 to a new chassis. Funds have been awarded and will be reimbursed once expenditure is made.
- The Department was awarded \$7,500 in Code Blue grant funding for a new power stretcher for Medic-6. The YKHC EMS Department administers this grant and BVESA has committed matching funds. YKHC ordered the stretcher and it has since arrived

Staffing/recruitment

- The Department will be fully staffed effective November 1, 2018. We welcome back John Ahrens of Orcas Island, WA. John is a shift-qualified firefighter who previously served in the department for one year.
- With the return John Ahrens the department will have five of its seven firefighters Shift qualified. Two untrained firefighters will be taking a firefighter one class in the spring.

Vehicles & Equipment

- All department vehicles are up and running.
- We are outfitting the new ladder truck with firefighting and rescue equipment.
- Our 1980 tanker and the 1980 ladder truck have been put out of service to make room for the new ladder truck
- The Code Blue committee has approved \$45,000 to remount our 2003 Ford ambulance M-5.
- The Department is working with admin to dispose of all surplus vehicles. Action Memorandum and Resolutions are forthcoming to surplus the obsolete equipment.

FIRE DEPARTMENT VEHICLE STATUS			
Vehicle	Type	Year	Status
Medic 4	Ambulance	1999	<i>(Backup ambulance) In service, Airbags repaired.</i>
Medic 5	Ambulance	2003	In service. Frequent no starts/dead batteries. (Plan to remount to new Dodge chassis in 2018/2019)
Medic 6	Ambulance	2017	<i>(Frontline Ambulance) In service. Tires studded. Parts ordered.</i>
Engine 4	Pumper	2013	<i>(Frontline pumper) In service, Seat belt sensor silenced but still needing repair by V&E. DEF tank heater malfunction.</i>
Engine 3	Pumper	1986	<i>Being outfitted as a tender and water supply unit. 3000 feet of LDH. (Poor overall condition needs replacement)</i>
Truck 1	Ladder Truck	2017	Outfitting, in service
Com 1	Pickup	2014	In service
Com 2	Pickup	2004	In service.
Tanker 1	Tanker (1500 gallon)	1980	Out of Service
Truck 1	Ladder Truck	1980	Out of Service



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Personnel:

There are currently two officer position vacancies. Both candidates that were given conditional offers did not successfully complete the process. The officer in field training successfully passed and is now working on his own. There are currently no applicants for the two positions though several people have expressed interest but have not submitted applications. BPD and DPS are in the process of writing a Memorandum of Agreement to facilitate the assignment of a BPD officer to the WAANT unit.

There is now a vacancy in dispatch. The trainee dropped from the process. The Dispatch Supervisor position has been reclassified to an evidence/records clerk and job interviews and background checks are in process for at least two applicants. All CSP and CSO positions remain fully staffed.

Operations:

There were 1,627 calls for service the month of October. This is approximately 300 more calls than in September though it is approximately 300 fewer than the same period in 2017. However, the calls requiring investigative reports is nearly double than the same period in 2017, 102 this year compared to 59 reports in 2017. The number of intoxicated pedestrian calls went up nearly 200 compared to September but down nearly 200 from October of 2017. The number of domestic violence investigations was only one higher in October than September however it is approximately 20% higher than in 2017. There were 20 DUI investigations resulting in 7 arrests compared to 14 investigations resulting in only 2 arrests for the same period last year. There was one death investigation, the same as October of 2017.

situation was investigated and resolved after school hours and did not result in any emergency action taken by LKSD.

Phase II of the e911 system is moving forward with multiple vendors and subcontractors coordinating. Contract agreements and warranties etc. continue to be negotiated with Motorola and their vendor for the two dispatch consoles.

Animal Control:

There were 41 animal control calls for service for the month with one reported dog bite. That bite was by a properly restrained dog.

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TRANSPORTATION INSPECTOR REPORT: **October 2018**

2018	October
New Chauffeurs	1
Chauffeur Renewals	1
Chauffeur Transfers	2
Vehicle Permit Renewals	4
Vehicle Transfers	6
Inspections	10
Revocations	0
Temporary Permits	0

- Kusko Cab had their semi-annual inspection this month.
- There is no semi-annual inspection for the month of November.
- There were 4 complaints made in the month of September. Three were driving complaints and one was a complaint on a driver. All complaints were followed up by an officer or I when available.