

**City of Bethel
Regular Public Safety Commission Meeting
January 6, 1997**

I. CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order at 6:10 p.m. by Acting Chairman Tom Hildreth.

II. ROLL CALL

Present: Sharon Neth, Tom Hildreth, John Hastie, Mayor Richardson, Bruce Day

Absent: none

III. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

December 16, 1996 Agenda amended as follows:

*New Business

- A. Selection of Chair;
- B. Fire Lanes and No Parking Areas;
- C. Age Restrictions on Snow Machines Operation; (tabled until 02/97 meeting)
- D. Building Key Pickup and Return; and
- E. Time Management Report.

motion Mayor Richardson moved to accept the Agenda as amended, seconded by John Hastie.

vote Voice vote passed unanimously.

IV. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

motion Mayor Richardson moved to approved the minutes of December 2, 1996; seconded by Shari Neth.

vote Voice vote passed unanimously.

Sharon Neth moved to amend the minutes of December 16, 1996 Page 4, Paragraph 3: correct to read "**perspective**"; not "perceptive".

Bruce Day moved to amend Page 1, Approval of Agenda, motion should read: "**M/M by Tom Hildreth, seconded by Shari Neth**"; rather than "M/M by Shari Neth, seconded by Bruce Day".

motion Sharon Neth moved to accept the minutes of the December 16, 1996 meeting as amended; seconded by John Hastie.

vote Voice vote passed unanimously.

V. CHIEFS' REPORTS

A. Fire Chief George Young

Chief Young referred to the reports submitted for the packets, inviting questions and comments:

1. Memo dated December 19, 1996 from Ken Weaver, City Manager, RE: Fire Lanes;
2. Memo dated December 23, 1996 to Ken Weaver, City Manager, RE: Management Report; and
3. Memo dated December 30, 1996 to Ken Weaver, City Manager, RE: Management Report.

B. Police Chief Gary Eilers

Presented the Statistics for the weeks 12/13-19/96 and 12/20-26/96. Summary for monthly reporting such as personnel and department activities. By next meeting we will have a written report along with the Statistic Report. The stats for New Year's Eve. Chief Eilers reported that the evening was peaceful and the department out in full force. One DWI was issued. Discussion followed.

VI. COMMISSION MEMBER COMMENTS

Sharon Neth read to the members of the commission Ordinance 2.25.010 Establishment of Commission. There is hereby established a Public Safety Commission to act in an advisory role in matters pertaining to public safety issues. The commission shall identify public safety issues of concern to the citizens of the City of Bethel and advise the City Council on these issues. (Ord. No., 95-35, enacted, 11/28/95)

Sharon Neth stated it was important to me, to remind me, that our role is not an administrative one and not an authoritative one; but that we are to advise the City Council. Fortunately, it is not our responsibility to give any directions to the Fire and Police Chief's. And to continue as a commission to work with the idea of the delivery site and look at where the bulk of alcohol related calls happen.

Ms. Neth stated that she met with Ken Weaver and he contacted Fort Yukon, as they have established an alcohol beverage delivery site. I have contacted them also and requested a copy of their ordinance and have not received it to date. It was suggested that Kotzebue be contacted as they had or attempted to have an alcohol beverage delivery site and should have copies of their ordinance. Mayor Richardson suggested she contact the Kotzebue City Manager, Mike Scott.

VII. PEOPLE TO BE HEARD

No people to be heard.

VIII. OLD BUSINESS

Item A. Law Enforcement Block Grant

Bruce Day said he'd like to see a program like the DARE program.

Discussion followed with Chief Eilers giving background on the completion and submission of the grant application form stating the grant was originally applied for and approved for equipment.

VIII. OLD BUSINESS (continued)

Item A. Law Enforcement Block Grant (continued)

Discussion followed regarding programs that are possibilities.

Chief Eilers stated that he talked with the school and they are going to get a DARE Program; it was too late to start this year. Discussion followed.

Acting Chair Hildreth discussed the radios and the problems that the Police Department is having; including the repeater getting fully operational.

Fire Chief George Young concurred with Chief Eilers that both the base station and portable radios need to be checked out, and that he would be willing to work with the chief and Motorola and or Greg. We could perhaps join some of our dwindling purchase service funds and get a one-time professional evaluation, get the radios tuned up and have a full test of both the Fire and Police Departments' equipment.

Chief Eilers stated that he would get with Chief Young and Greg and look at repeater.

Chair Hildreth again stated that we need a survey done to find out the problem. Discussion followed.

It was left up to the Chiefs' to decide just what course of action must be taken.

Chief Eilers says he would check to see if the money from the grant would pay for someone to come into the police station to perform an estimate of the work and cost factor. We will look into all avenues and see where the problem lies.

Sharon Neth stated that she was unclear as to where we were going to go from here. Is the grant already approved by the City Council?

Mayor Richardson stated that it was.

Ms. Neth wanted to know what else the commission had to do with the block grant. It is my understanding that the proposal that was accepted had been approved.

John Hastie questioned when the public hearing was held.

Chief Eilers stated that it was his understanding that the public hearing was before the City Council and that the City Council approved the grant at that hearing. And the second step was that an Advisory Committee be formed and meet to discuss the list of items that the police

VIII. OLD BUSINESS (continued)

Item A. Law Enforcement Block Grant (continued)

department had requested in the grant. The grant has been signed and sent in and the money will be deposited in the bank. Discussion followed.

IX. NEW BUSINESS

Item A. Selection of the Chair

Acting Chair Hildreth opened nominations for selections of the Chairman and the Vice Chairman.

motion **John Hastie moved to nominate Thomas A. Hildreth as Chairman; seconded by Bruce Day.**

vote **Voice vote passed unanimously.**

motion **Sharon Neth moved to close nominations; seconded by Bruce Day.**

vote **Voice vote passed unanimously.**

Acting Chair Hildreth announced that Thomas A. Hildreth is the new Chairman of the City of Bethel, Public Safety Commission.

Chairman Hildreth asked to take nominations for the Vice Chairman.

motion **Sharon Neth moved to nominate Bruce Day for the Vice Chair; seconded by Mayor Richardson.**

motion **Bruce Day moved to nominate Sharon Neth for the Vice Chair; seconded by John Hastie.**

vote **Secret ballot Bruce Day 3; Sharon Neth 2; Bruce Day nominated as Vice Chairman passed accordingly.**

Chairman Hildreth congratulated Mr. Day as the new Vice Chairman of the City of Bethel, Public Safety Commission.

Item B. Fire Lanes and No Parking Areas

Chief Young spoke about access to parking areas with regard to the state Fire Safety Code and found it is indeed applicable in Bethel. Signs have been ordered and are to be placed at areas identified by the Fire Chief, the City Manager, the Chief of Police, the Public Works Department, and the Public Safety Commission. Chief Young is soliciting comments, recommendations to identify problem areas. Discussion followed to include the airport parking, loading/unloading, taxi and fire lanes.

IX. NEW BUSINESS (continued)

Item B. Fire Lanes and No Parking Areas (continued)

Chairman Hildreth requested that Mayor Richardson advise the Transportation Commission and the City Council on the discussion of parking at the airport. Chairman Hildreth stated that the council and commission could use this information for future long term planning purposes.

Item C. Age Restriction on Snow machines

Discussion by Sharon Neth whether the restrictions should be on age of child and or size of snow machine without adult supervision. Because this is a fairly heated topic and did not make it on the public notice it should wait for the next meeting when it can be publicized. Other villages cite the unsafe drivers of the Snow machines. Other concerns by the commission members were as follows:

- *The need for public awareness, and education for a couple of weeks before enforcement begins;
- *Using snow machine crossing signs, indicating safe places to cross;
- *Announcements in the newspaper and on the radio (KYUK - Knowing is Caring and Talkline shows and Friday Morning Talk Show).

It was decided to start with public service announcements and see what happens.

Mayor Richardson stated that she had heard a story about a private citizen trying to enforce snow machine driving on the side of the roads. I want the police department to put out a public notice that it is up to the police to enforce these issues; not private citizens.

The need to purchase and post signs to identify snow machine crossing areas was identified. Must be submitted to the City Council as a budget consideration. Ask Public Works if they know of grants for purchasing signs for snow machine traffic.

Item D. Building Key Pickup and Return

Darlene will take care of the key situation.

Item E. Time Management

Mayor Richardson stated concerns regarding the minutes of the December 2, 1996 commission meeting that the minutes reflected; and that no one was going to be getting into any area with the departments, both fire and police, regardless; that the commission was not authorized. I also appreciate Shari reading the ordinance on the responsibility of the Public Safety Commission. Discussion followed. If that was the purpose of the minutes, as they were presented in the minutes, the Chief and his people can come up with something and present it to the commission in advocating to the council for additional people. Rather than someone from the commission going in and identifying areas. Discussion followed.

IX. NEW BUSINESS (continued)

Item E. Time Management (continued)

Chief offered to create a form for documenting man-hours, traffic control, investigations, time writing reports, etc. Also, we are providing school patrol as time allows.

Mayor Richardson stated that she would like to see the kids have a field trip to the police department.

Next months agenda items Alcohol Beverage Control Site; Animal Control;

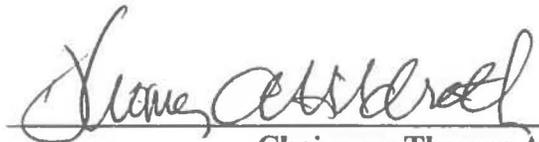
X. ADJOURNMENT

The next meeting scheduled for February 3, 1997, 6:00 p.m. at the Log Cabin.

motion Mayor Richardson moved to adjourn the meeting at 8:15 p.m.; seconded by Sharon Neth.

vote Voice vote passed unanimously.

PASSED AND APPROVED THIS 5 **DAY OF** May, 1997.



Chairman Thomas A. Hildreth

Attest:



Darlene F. Engebretson, Recording Secretary

**City of Bethel
Regular Public Safety Commission Meeting
February 3, 1997**

I. CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order at 6:01 p.m. by Chairman Tom Hildreth.

II. ROLL CALL

Present: Tom Hildreth, Bruce Day, Sharon Neth, John Hastie, Richard Russell

Absent: Mayor Richardson (excused)

III. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

motion Bruce Day moved to approved the minutes of December 16, 1996 Special Meeting; seconded by John Hastie.

vote Voice vote passed unanimously.

Correct the minutes of January 6, 1997 as follows:

* Page 4; New Business; nominations - should read: Bruce Day nominated as Vice Chairman passed "accordingly".

* In header date should read January 6, 1997.

motion Sharon Neth moved to approved the minutes as amended; seconded by Bruce Day.

vote Voice vote passed unanimously.

IV. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Correct the Agenda of February 3, 1997 as follows:

* Old Business; Item A. Animal Control Fees - delete

* New Business; Item A. Restriction of Snow Machine Operation - move to Item B.

* New Business; Item B. Ambulance - FY98 Budget Discussion - move to Item A.

motion Sharon Neth moved to accept the Agenda as amended, seconded by Bruce Day.

vote Voice vote passed unanimously.

V. CHIEFS' REPORTS

A. Fire Chief George Young

Chief Young referred to the reports submitted for the packets, stating he had no further comment; except to submit to Sharon Neth the "very rough" monthly numbers for ambulance calls with alcohol and/or drugs involved.

V. CHIEFS' REPORTS (continued)

A. Fire Chief George Young

1. Memo dated January 13, 1997, to Ken Weaver, City Manager, RE: Management Report.

2. Memo dated January 20, 1997, to Ken Weaver, City Manager, RE: Management Report.

Discussion followed with Sharon Neth asking for clarification regarding the Bethel hotel/motel compliance.

B. Police Chief Gary Eilers

Chief Eilers submitted the statistical reports from the last month and year end. Block Grant application was submitted. Discussion followed. Sgt. Chris Walker stated that he has seen a definite decrease in violent crimes. Chairman Hildreth encouraged the police department to keep up the good work; stating the prevention programs must be working. Discussion followed regarding the radio situation. The chief stated that the grant will not allow for personnel expenditures. The antenna may also have to be raised. Discussion followed, the Chief will contact KYUK to see if the police antenna can be attached to their communications tower. The Fire Chief asked where are the 8 or 9 6watt radios? Discussion followed. It was stated that the police department has knowledge of 3 6watt radios. Bruce Day requested that the Chief contact finance and identify how many 6watt radios were actually purchased. Discussion followed. Bruce Day suggested contacting someone from Anchorage to perform a maintenance check on the repeater and that grant modification can be submitted within the contract guidelines. Discussion followed.

Sharon Neth inquired about the school patrol. Officers are at the school about 80% of the time. Discussion followed.

Chairman Hildreth inquired about the statistic reports. Discussion followed. The Chief was asked to separate the Liquor Law and the Bootlegger Offenses. Discussion followed. It was requested that the year-end comparison statistics be reworked. The Chief requested that the commission members give himself and his staff time in this next year, to provide data that is accurate and collected by himself and the staff. Discussion followed. Chairman Hildreth requested that the Chief supply the commission with a copy of the management reports that he submits to the City Manager.

VI. COMMISSION MEMBER COMMENTS

Sharon Neth, Bruce Day and Chairman Hildreth welcomed new commission member, Richard "Dick" Russell.

The commission members list was updated adding Richard Russell's telephone numbers.

VII. PEOPLE TO BE HEARD

No people to be heard.

VIII. OLD BUSINESS

Item A. Alcohol Beverage Delivery Site

Sharon Neth presented the commission with a detailed working draft regarding the launching of an Alcohol Beverage Delivery Site facility.

Ms. Neth has gathered information from the following people/facilities/agencies:

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| *Fort Yukon, currently operating a facility of this type | *Alaska State Laws/statutes governing such a facility |
| *Kotzebue, had explored a concept of this type | *Bill Roach, ABC |
| *Alaska State Troopers | *Terry Shepard |
| *Richard Burton, former Commissioner of Public Safety | *Brown Jug |
| | *Bethel City Council/City Manager |

Ms. Neth inquired as to whether the council would be interested in submitting a letter of support for state legislative laws making it mandatory for a damp town to have an Alcohol Beverage Delivery Site. It was agreed that this idea would be tabled until a later date.

Chairman Hildreth asked to have the information typed by February 11, 1997 so he could submit to the City Council. Bruce Day suggested that this not go to the city council until after the attorney has looked into it and the commission has had another chance to look it over.

Sharon Neth suggested the commission discuss what information is to be submitted to the city council for review by the city attorney; the items are listed below:

- can we stipulate residence requirements;
- can those persons with alcohol violations, probations, etc., be banned from picking up from the delivery site (maybe not an issue, these people may be self-limiting);
- city or private facility to be used as a warehouse;
- look into laws regarding property restrictions if facility is located at the airport;
- state vs city property laws;

The commission discussed the support of requesting additional funding, from the city council, for manpower to cover cost incurred by the police department.

VIII. OLD BUSINESS (continued)

Item A. Alcohol Beverage Delivery Site

Ms. Neth suggested contacting the airlines to get their feedback on the idea of a delivery site.

Discussion on wording of the motion to be submitted to the city council.

- motion** **Sharon Neth moved to request the city council to direct the city attorney to examine the legal requirements for an Alcohol Beverage Delivery Site, specifically in the area of residency requirements, in regards to who can or cannot pickup alcohol beverages; seconded by Bruce Day.**
- vote** **Voice vote passed unanimously.**

Dick Russell stated that he would type the presentation for distribution to the commission members.

John Hastie and Sharon Neth will contact Alaska Airlines and make an appointment to set up a time to observe their freight operations.

IX . NEW BUSINESS

Item A. Ambulance - FY98 Budget Discussion

Chairman Hildreth stated the need to begin discussion regarding a new ambulance for the city. He asked if an ambulance should be a budget priority for the commission and informed the members that it takes about four months to put a package together for the city council to review.

Bruce Day suggested that both the Fire and Police Department's put together a "wish list" of what they would like and what is needed, including the ambulance.

Discussion followed regarding purchasing vehicles with the troopers. AML or State of Alaska for fleet leasing. If you need a vehicle now let us know. It was requested that the Police and Fire Departments arrive at next months meeting with a "needs" list as follows: " We have five vehicles; it looks like we'll need a sixth one; it looks like we'll need to replace one of the five; it looks like we need to do some major overhauling. This will give the commission time to get back up to the council and have justification for the need of new vehicles". This is the same with the radios and pagers for the Police and Fire Department's.

- motion** **Chairman Hildreth moved to have the city council to look into the feasibility of fleet vehicles dealing with the Alaska Municipal League and the Alaska State Troopers; seconded by Sharon Neth.**
- vote** **Voice vote passed unanimously.**

IX . NEW BUSINESS (continued)

Item A. Ambulance - FY98 Budget Discussion

- motion** **Bruce Day moved to have the information to look at, at the next Public Safety Meeting; seconded by Sharon Neth.**
- vote** **Voice vote passed unanimously.**

motion **John Hastie moved to request the Fire Chief, George Young, to begin developing specifications for a new ambulance; seconded by Sharon Neth.**
vote **Voice vote passed unanimously.**

Item B. Restrictions on Snow Machine Operation

Chairman Hildreth asked for discussion on whether the commission needs to go to the city council needing further ordinances' regulating snow machines. Sharon Neth stated the feeling is to have public education, reinforcing the laws that are already in existence. Discussion followed asking the Chief and staff how the process was working. Discussion followed regarding the stance of not pursuing the snow machiners that decided to "run" and public property issues. Chairman Hildreth asked if fliers were posted at the bulletin boards at the stores. Sharon Neth stated that there was nothing further that the Public Safety Commission needs to do, unless something comes up in the future, that can be taken to the city council. Discussion followed regarding the registration of snow machines and the law, with Chief Eilers stating that he did not want to again be criticized for being selective in enforcing the law. Discussion followed. It is the parents' responsibility to monitor their children's activity on snow machines and provide education and safety. Chairman Hildreth stated he would like to see enforcement of the "one-eyed" headlight.

Item C. Intersections with Yield Signs

Chairman Hildreth, from the map, pointed out areas in town that he felt the Yield sign needed to be changed to a stop sign for public safety. Discussion followed. Chief Eilers ask if the commission knew the procedure for changing a street sign; it if has to be approved by the city council. The Chief requested a list of the places where Chairman Hildreth had concerns and he would take the list to the city council.

motion **Sharon Neth moved to have Chairman Hildreth make a list that Chief Eilers can take to Ken Weaver to find out the process for making street sign changes; seconded by John Hastie.**
vote **Voice vote passed unanimously.**

X. ADJOURNMENT

The next meeting scheduled for February 24, 1997, 6:00 p.m. at the Log Cabin.

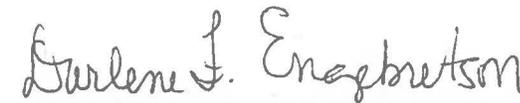
motion **Sharon Neth moved to adjourn the meeting at 8:35 p.m.; seconded by John Hastie.**

PASSED AND APPROVED THIS 10 DAY OF March, 1997.



Chairman Thomas A. Hildreth

Attest:



Darlene F. Engebretson, Recording Secretary

City of Bethel
Regular Public Safety Commission Meeting
February 24, 1997

THIS MEETING WAS CANCELLED

THE NEXT REGULAR MEETING OF THE PSC IS MARCH 10, 1997

I. CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order at 6: p.m. by Chairman Tom Hildreth.

II. ROLL CALL

Present:

Absent:

III. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

motion moved to approved the minutes of; seconded by.

vote Voice vote passed unanimously.

IV. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

motion moved to accept the Agenda as amended, seconded by.

vote Voice vote passed unanimously.

V. CHIEFS' REPORTS

A. Fire Chief George Young

B. Police Chief Gary Eilers

VI. COMMISSION MEMBER COMMENTS

VII. PEOPLE TO BE HEARD

VIII. OLD BUSINESS

Item A. Law Enforcement Block Grant.

IX. NEW BUSINESS

Item A.

Item B.

Item C. Age Restriction on Snow machines

X. ADJOURNMENT

motion **moved to adjourn the meeting at p.m.; seconded by.**
vote **Voice vote passed unanimously.**

PASSED AND APPROVED THIS _____ DAY OF _____, 1997.

Chairman Thomas A. Hildreth

Attest:

Darlene F. Engebretson, Recording Secretary

**City of Bethel
Regular Public Safety Commission Meeting
March 10, 1997**

I. CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order at 6:00 p.m. by Chairman Tom Hildreth. The location of the meeting is the Bethel Fire Station.

II. ROLL CALL

Present: Thomas Hildreth, Bruce Day, Sharon Neth, John Hastie, Richard Russell

Absent: Mayor Richardson

III. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

February 24, 1997 meeting canceled.

Sharon Neth asked to have the minutes of February 3, 1997 corrected as follows:

Page 3, Old Business, Item A. Alcohol Beverage Delivery Site, under Kotzebue, should read "had explored a concept of this type".

Page 3, Old Business, Item A. Alcohol Beverage Delivery Site, delete the comparison of liters vs ounces.

motion Sharon Neth moved to approve the minutes of February 03, 1997 as amended; seconded by Bruce Day.

vote Voice vote passed unanimously.

IV. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Correct the Agenda of February 03, 1997 as follows:

Fire Chief Young requested to have his report moved up because he will have to leave early.

Bruce Day requested to add the School Zone Patrol to New Business. Tom Hildreth requested to reverse Old Business Items A. and B. respectfully.

motion Bruce Day moved to accept the Agenda as amended, seconded by John Hastie.

vote Voice vote passed unanimously.

V. CHIEFS' REPORTS

A. Fire Chief George Young

Fire Chief Young had no additional comments. Sharon Neth commended the Fire and Police Departments on their efforts and for a job well done.

B. Police Chief Gary Eilers

Police Chief Eilers will submit Statistic and Goals and Objectives, next month, if approved by the City Manager. Chair Hildreth welcomed Terry Stonecipher and Verdi Brogdon to the meeting and encouraged the Chief to have other employees attend the Public Safety Commission Meetings.

VI. COMMISSION MEMBER COMMENTS

Sharon Neth, Richard Russell Chairman Hildreth and Bruce Day congratulated Investigator Jerry Evan on the fine job he is doing. Also extended to Chad Rathbun.

It was noted that certificates for fire prevention would be mailed.

VII. PEOPLE TO BE HEARD

No people to be heard.

VIII. OLD BUSINESS

Item A. Budget Discussion - Fire and Police Departments

Chair Hildreth encouraged the departments to submit for discussion, any capitol project items that they would like in their new budgets. The main item was getting the ambulance replaced for the Fire Department. Update police dispatch equipment Enhancement. Discussion on budgets and preplanning meeting with the Fire and Police Departments. Chief Eilers stated that the Police Department should be able to have the information in the next packet. Next meeting will be first Monday in April (7th). No further discussion on budget items. Chairman Hildreth stated that if the Police and Fire Departments do not have anything by next meeting then do not put the budget discussion on the agenda.

Item B. Alcohol Beverage Delivery Site

Sharon Neth stated that Ken Weaver and four representatives...(Very poor recording unable to hear all names and businesses difficult to get jest of conversation.) Overview: busiest days Thursday, Friday and Holiday; all in favor of in town site; entities do not want to get involved with collecting taxes for the city and do not want the headache of the deliveries to the collection site; pre-paid freight was discussed; entities were concerned about staffing- four employees will be needed; Gold Streak, the city lawyer needs to look into. Discussion followed.

motion Sharon Neth moved to have the Public Safety Commission request the City Council to direct the City Attorney to contact the Alaska Airlines legal department to address the issue of Gold Streaking of alcoholic beverages into Bethel should the City adopt an Alcohol Beverage Delivery Site? No Discussion. Seconded by Richard Russell.

vote Voice vote passed unanimously.

The airlines shall secure the facility until it is picked up. A minimum of one trip to the airport per day. Contact Beaver to supplement shipment, airport to site. One paper transfer to the delivery site. If a different entity handles the pickup at the airport and delivering to the site and another entity handling again, the weaker it gets. Need to keep down the number of transfers. The entity that picks up needs to also be responsible for delivery.

Security Regulations: Windows need to be barred; No public access phone; Location-Bus Barn and the concern of the proximity to a church.

motion **Sharon Neth moved to have the Public Safety Commission request the City Council to direct the city attorney to address the legal aspects/limitations of an Alcohol Beverage Delivery Site in proximity of a church or school or any other facility; seconded by Bruce Day.**

vote **Voice vote passed unanimously.**

Discussion followed regarding a computerized system. Fishing charters would not be exempt because they are going to be importing into Bethel and that they'd have to plan ahead. Discussion followed regarding obstacles in finding a building, alarm system, etc. Sharon Neth stated that she and the city manager discussed the feasibility of the Police Station and the Alcohol Beverage Delivery Site being in the same building at least temporarily.

Sharon Neth would like to submit the two motions to the city council tomorrow, March 11, 1997. Minutes are to be available by early Tuesday afternoon.

Old Business will continue next month.

IX . NEW BUSINESS

Item A. School Zone Patrolling

Bruce Day stated that for quite some time over the last couple of months he has been going through to different school zones to see what patrolling is happening. Stating that he hasn't seen any himself so asked the teachers at ME school how often they are seeing the police actually doing the patrols. He said that they had not seen anything in the way of police patrol. This is strictly afternoons and mornings. Bruce Day asked them to keep a calendar at ME school. Log in how many times they did see the police there. What they included in the calendar was, they had seen Mike Burley. They said that basically what they were seeing that on 20% of the school days they'll see some sort of police presence and primarily over on the ASHA Housing area.

And I think, that people at the Kilbuck school have seen no police patrol, at all. What I'd like to do tonight is make a resolution, and before I do this would like to say that I think this is a real

good opportunity for the police to have a public relations standing. I would like to see a police car, for like 15 minutes in the morning and 15-20 minutes in the afternoon at alternating school zones. Just park there with in the morning, perhaps, with the lights on so that traffic coming and going can see them. In the morning, one of the things I have seen, is a lot of cabs, in particular, ah, a lot of cars, but a lot of cabs are certainly there, with one headlight on. But if they would be a little bit more visible it's good for the kids to see the policeman there, only talk to them 15 minutes, 20 minutes in the morning and the same in the afternoon. So what I'd like to do tonight is make a resolution to the city council to the city manager, I'm not quite sure how we do this but that the Police Department dedicate 15 to 20 minutes in the morning and 15-20 minutes in the afternoon at alternating schools Monday through Friday, from now until the school year ends.

Chairman Hildreth as if we need to vote on the resolution? I don't recall doing that.

Bruce Day stated that it's by consent.

Chairman Hildreth: By consent? Okey, we will just leave it like that. We have a resolution in the official package.

X. ADJOURNMENT

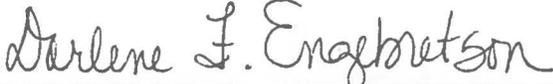
The next meeting scheduled for April 7, 1997, 6:00 p.m. at the Log Cabin.

motion Tom Hildreth moved to adjourn the meeting at 7:19 p.m.; seconded by Bruce Day.
vote Voice vote passed unanimously.

PASSED AND APPROVED THIS 5 **DAY OF** May, 1997.


Chairman Thomas A. Hildreth

Attest:


Darlene F. Engebretson, Recording Secretary

**City of Bethel
Regular Public Safety Commission Meeting
April 7, 1997**

I. CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order at 6:00 p.m. by Chairman Tom Hildreth.

II. ROLL CALL

Present: Thomas Hildreth, Bruce Day, Mayor Ruth "Wally" Richardson, Sharon Neth, John Hastie, Richard Russell

Absent: Helena Andrew (excused)

III. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Approval of the minutes of March 10, 1997 as amended.

Old Business Item B. Alcohol Beverage Delivery Site (Page 2, line 4)-...do not want the headache of the deliveries *to the collection site...*; (Page 3, second paragraph)-...need to be *barred*; and ... (third paragraph line 1 after motion) ...charters would *not be exempt because they are going to be importing into Bethel and that they'd have to plan ahead.* ; (line 3) ...stated that *she* and the...; Location - Bus Barn *and the concern of the proximity to a church.*

New business Item A. School Zone Patrolling (Page 3, paragraph 1, line 1 ...months he *has* been...; and (line 8) ...over on the *ASHA Housing* area. (Paragraph 2, line 1 ...that *people* at the Kilbuck *delete comma* school *have* seen...

Sharon Neth/Wally Richardson moved to approve the minutes of March 10, 1997 as amended. Passed unanimously.

IV. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Sharon Neth/Bruce Day moved to accept the Agenda as presented. Passed unanimously.

V. CHIEFS' REPORTS

A. Fire Chief George Young

Fire Chief Young had nothing to comment on at this time.

B. Police Chief Gary Eilers

Police Chief Eilers stated that the managers report submitted was all that he had. Sharon Neth welcomed John Uttereyuk to the police force. Ms. Neth stated that she appreciated the Chief's letters of appreciation to the AST and to the Police Chaplin. In the management report under discussion about the dispatchers sounding the of curfew. What are the current curfew law. Chief Eilers stated that he has the laws with him. He also stated that he is working with the school to try get the DARE and working with the schools trying to get a liaison officer in the school full time.

John Hastie congratulated Sgt. Brogdon for his completion of the Method's of Instruction (MOI) course that he completed and that he will be the police training instructor in the State of Alaska. Chief Eilers clarified that the MOI training is a prerequisite to the Intoximeter Instructor and in other areas.

Chair Hildreth asked how the budget looked for the remainder of the year for schools and other further training? The Chief stated that Sgt. Walker is in a supervisors school in Anchorage for a week and two other officers will be slated for this year. We also have some "in house" training that will be coming up.

Chair Hildreth asked if the department will see a change in the training budget? Chief Eilers discussed the surcharge on traffic tickets, it was not showing in the APSIN computer system that Bethel was charging a surcharge. The surcharge money goes into an account with the Alaska Police Standard's Council and is used to provide state assisted training expenses to police departments statewide. This money is beginning to build up and they will offer more schooling. For instance the training that Walker is on, they will reimburse the department 85% of our costs. About all the training around the state will be reimbursable.

VI. COMMISSION MEMBER COMMENTS

Chair Hildreth commented on the letters of appreciation that were enclosed in the packet, and that on behalf of the commission he expressed recognition and thanked them for a job well done to all involved as followed:

BPD: Chief Eilers, Lt. Ely, Inv. Evan, Officer Stonecipher, Sgt. Chris Walker, Dispatchers Hames and Wendy Criswell;

AST: First Sgt. Burke, Sgt. Grant, Inv. Shepard, Troopers Hipbsman, Norris, Kinnegak, Asberry and Tressler and Fish and Wildlife Trooper Pego. We did not have the list of CIB agents.

John Hastie ask if anyone noticed the upside down 30 MPH speed limit sign on state highway? (Chief Eddie Hoffman Road?)

VII. PEOPLE TO BE HEARD

No people to be heard.

VIII. OLD BUSINESS

Item A. Alcohol Beverage Delivery Site

Sharon Neth supplied samples of the maximum wage and grade range. The key to success of the delivery site is dependent on efficiency run by competent employees. Does not necessarily mean working exclusively for the Alcohol Beverage Delivery Site. Sharon asked if anyone had any questions.

Bruce Day reported on building sites stating that there is not too much to report. He spoke to

John Malone and he was able to fix me up with accounting to give me a list of plat space. John Malone will identify which lots are owned by the city and get it on a map, hopefully in a couple of weeks.

Sharon suggested that the commission have optional sites available before it is brought before the city council would be the most reasonable way of approaching this, to wait until we have as complete a picture as possible before it's presented before the council. Wally? Um, hum. Okay, alright. Again, we are on hold to present this before the city council until we get more details on the sites that are available.

Another item on the list is to clean up the draft. A thank you to Dick for cleaning up the notes and putting them into very organized readable format. In cleaning up the draft eliminate on page 4 Section F number's three through seven.

Dick Russell handed out the Alaska Administrative Code Title 15 AAC104-645 for informational source from the Internet.

Getting back to sections 3 does not directly relate to the concept of the ABDS, delete; Number 4 do not think that we need to worry about it it's an issue for council, delete; Number 5 taken care of with building site search, delete; Number 6 an issue for council to deal with, delete; Number 7 completed, delete.

Do we need to elicit their feedback on the concept of willingness to delivery to the site in exchange for not having to staff the pickup pass, not having to deal with the customers?

Bruce Day stated that there is space next to the old MarkAir terminal, which is now occupied by Reeve. Which may be available through the state and put the ABDS in the secure parameter, at the airport, access would be just through one door and easy for the airlines in delivery and drop on loading dock and be done. Discussion followed clarifying exact location of the possible available space.

Chair Hildreth will call LJ Davis, Airport Manager to discuss possible space, restrictions, etc.

Sharon Neth asked that if anyone has suggestions for cleanup or ideas let her know. At the city council she attended requesting the city council to request the city manager to request the city attorney to check on residential requirements, also legal site locations, it is my understanding that the council's decided it was not necessary to have the lawyer check on location requirement but that they okayed the pursuit of the research on the residential requirements for picking up alcoholic beverages in Bethel, Wally, have you heard any more? The answer will come back to the commission. Chair Hildreth has not been contacted.

George Young can check on it.

The question was asked what the difference between an Alcohol Beverage Delivery Site and a Liquor Store. Ms. Neth is soliciting the commission's feedback and help in clarifying the difference.

Liquor Store	Alcohol Beverage Delivery Site
Selling	Collecting Tax
Does not eliminate importation	Does not eliminate importation
Does not track who and how much is imported	To keep track of who and how much is imported
No requirements/restrictions & reporting procedures	Requirements/restrictions and reporting procedures
Open for longer hours during the day/week	Limited access based on hours of operation

Hours of operation would be minimum of 4 hours per day ; before the windows are open the transfer of the alcoholic beverages from the freight companies to the delivery site, inventory will need to be logged into the computer. Wages indicate maximum staff; and other duties as assigned. Consider hiring retirees. Collection of handling/storage fees.

George Young to ask attorney about a liquor store regarding limitations of Bethel residents.

Discussion followed regarding the Alaska Administrative Code Title 15 Section 5 (j) regarding "perimeter" and it's implications in regards to Bethel.

The goal is for our working presentation to be clear and concise so please get back with Sharon Neth with ideas/changes/clarification.

Chair Hildreth will work on his assignment with LJ Tanner, City Clerk.

Ms. Neth stated that she would like to get the idea presented to council before budget considerations.

Mayor Richardson was asked by Ms. Neth her ideas on presentation to the council regarding salary, building site (construction, remodeling) considerations to include utility hookups, office equipment, security system, vehicles, etc.

Mayor Richardson stated that another way to do it would also be that an amendment to the budget be made. Whether it takes two to three months to submit a good business plan with

almost all the cost included that will be okay. Estimated costs presented to the council as a reminder that this will be presented in the future for consideration.

We need to wait to hear from the lawyer.

Chair Hildreth suggested that the commission have a work session instead of a regular meeting. Bruce will get back in touch with Tom if he receives information and Tom will then schedule a work session within two weeks. There may not be a building that is suitable in location or need that the committee wants.

Ms. Neth asked if she should get back with the representatives from the freight companies to find out their feelings about whether the trade off is a fair concept or not as far as not having to deal with the window pickup? Discussion followed.

Maybe it's part of the setup that they get paid to deliver some of the freight to. Part of the cost of shipping and part of the freight bill. Also ask them how they operate their window/counter regarding personnel and freight. Personnel dual trained so the world doesn't stop when someone is sick or something. The freight companies do not want to get involved in collection of taxes. It may be a requirement as part of the cost of being able to do business in Bethel. Sharon will check with freight companies. The city will only be involved in pre-paid alcohol deliveries. This would do away with freight collect on alcoholic beverages.

Discussion between Mayor Richardson and Sharon Neth: Mayor Richardson asked how do we regulate that? Memorandum of Agreements with freight companies in Anchorage. How are we going to enact something to regulate that? Is it our local option, of the municipality to do that? Yes. To require prepaid freight on alcohol beverage? It would be part of the way that the ordinance would be set up. It would be included in the ordinance. Can that be legally be part of the ordinance? That would be a question for the council to decide if they want the city attorney to clarify. Mayor Richardson stated that that would be a major consideration, otherwise if we don't people are going to be sending their alcohol freight collect to get out of having it come to our delivery site. Could the ordinance legally say all prepaid? Mayor Richardson said that she is sure the ordinance could say that but asked how much authority would we have in saying that?

To me that is a major question that we need clear. Whether or not our ordinance would cover, having people send freight collect instead of prepaid freight, we would need some kind of agreement between the city and the airlines.

Sharon stated that the city council needs to direct the city manager to direct the city attorney to see if that could be part of the legal ordinance.

Mayor Richardson stated that George Young, acting City Manager could ask the city attorney the question when he talked to him regarding other matters.

IX. NEW BUSINESS

Chief Eilers requested that the commission allow Mr. Poe and Patti Waters speak regarding the 311 system. Hearing no objections Chair Hildreth moved 311 system to Item A.

Item A. 3-1-1 System

Welcome to Mr. Dan Poe, Exchange Manager for GTE. Mr. Poe explained the 311 and 711, exchange numbers. On February 19, 1997 passed the resolution ordering 311 to be assigned for all non-emergency police access to relieve 911; and 711 to be used for PDSS. This resolution orders that this number cannot be used for anything else. Mr. Poe stated that he contacted the police department regarding this issue. There is no tariff charge to the city for these numbers. The city would have to pay for an additional line only if at a later date they decide they cannot handle increased calls with the number of lines that they are currently using. This exchange like the 911 and 711 can be dialed from a pay phone without depositing a coin(s). Bethel is the first police department in the state to have activated the 311 exchange number.

Item B. Role and Responsibility of the Commission

Lengthy discussion with questions and answers covering the school patrol and the resolution.

Mayor Richardson stated that we just need to be real clear no matter what decisions are made or talked about. The minutes need to be clear. If you are going to write a resolution there is a process to go through on adopting a resolution that needs to be followed. Robert's Rules has it stated on how to do that. This commission needs to be real clear in what they do in the eyes of the police department, in the eyes of city government, and with the city council just so we don't get into that same situation of the old commission. I truly believe in this Public Safety Commission and the purpose of it and it just gets heartbreaking from my standpoint when council says we need to look into it. I was probably the biggest backer for this commission to get started again. The tone of voice, or the general attitudes of body language or whatever it might have been, we just don't need that. My last comment would be Mr. Chairman, that if this does happen then I would request a motion to dissolve the Public Safety Commission, again.

A suggestion would be for the members of the commission to spend some time riding with the police officers, actually seeing what is being done.

Item C. Ambulance Billing

Chief Young handed out a fee schedule for ambulance service within Bethel. The current Flat Fee Rate is \$300. Chief Young would like to increase the ambulance service and separate the fees for Basic Life Support and Advanced Life Support.

John Hastie and Sharon Neth moved to support the figures of \$350 for Basic Life Support; and \$450 for Advanced Life Support for ambulance service. Motion passes.

Item D. Curfew

Chair Hildreth asked about the siren that would be used for announcing curfew; and that he would also like to see a change in the hours of curfew.

Chief Eilers read the City of Bethel Municipal Code Chapter 9.20 Offenses By or Against Minors 9.20.010 Curfew-Hours. Discussion followed. Curfew hours are currently 10 o'clock p.m. to 5 o'clock a.m. Sunday through Friday; 12 o'clock midnight to 5 a.m. Friday through Sunday. Mayor Richardson stated that Buster went to various local businesses who would donate time and or money to putting up the siren. Krieder was going to buy the timing mechanism; Faulkner was going to install it and drive the pole if needed; Broego from the power company to put it on the power plant itself. Advertising will need to be started and consequences not complying with the ordinance. Need a weather proof starter for the siren, Kent Harding will get prices and the city will probably buy it, this will be the last step (about a \$60-\$80 part). It was the consensus of the commission to place the siren on the Bowling Alley.

Item E. Community Watch Program

Mayor Richardson stated that Dave Tranthum has advocated for the council to participate in this program. The AST have a phone number for requesting information regarding this program. The communities can call and ask for a trooper to come out and they will help organize a Community Watch Program. Mike O'Brien is involved from the council.

Chair Hildreth will write a letter to Mr. Tranthum thanking him for his interest and offer the support of the commission to seek information about the Community Watch Program.

John Hastie will call the **1-800-732-3277** number for the Bureau of Justice Statistics Director, Jan Chailken. Discussion followed regarding other programs: Safe Home; Safety Bear Program; Crime Stoppers Program.

X. ADJOURNMENT

Chair Hildreth requested that the following items be put on the agenda as ongoing open items:

Old Business

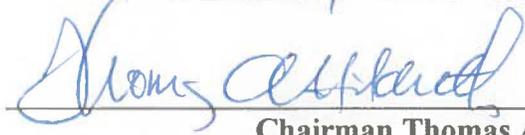
Item A. Alcohol Beverage Control Site (Sharon Neth)

Item B. Community Watch Program (Tom Hildreth)

The next meeting is scheduled for May 5, 1997, 6:00 p.m. at the Log Cabin.

Bruce Day/Wally Richardson moved to adjourn the meeting at 8:29 p.m. Voice vote passed unanimously.

PASSED AND APPROVED THIS 7th DAY OF July, 1997.



Chairman Thomas A. Hildreth

Attest:



Darlene F. Engebretson, Recording Secretary

City of Bethel
Regular Public Safety Commission Meeting
May 5, 1997

I. CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order at 6:00 p.m. by Chairman Tom Hildreth.

II. ROLL CALL

Present: Thomas Hildreth, Bruce Day, Mayor Ruth "Wally" Richardson, Sharon Neth, John Hastie, Richard Russell

Absent: Helena Andrew (excused)

III. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Approval of the minutes of April 7, 1997 as amended.

Old Business Item A. Alcohol Beverage Delivery Site (Page 2, line 2)-...delivery site is *dependent*...; (Page 3, line 4)-...Malone *will*; and **Item B. Curfew** (Paragraph 2, line 5)-...*Krieder* was going...; (Paragraph 2, line 6)-...needed; *Broego* from ... (Paragraph 2, line 7)-...Advertising *will* need...; (Paragraph 2, line 8)-...siren, *Kent* Harding...

New business Item E. Community Watch Program (Paragraph 3, line 2)... *Chailken*.
Discussion...

Wally Richardson/Bruce Day moved to approve the minutes of April 7, 1997 as amended.
Motion passes.

IV. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Wally Richardson/John Hastie moved to accept the Agenda as amended. Motion passes.

New Business Item C. Speed Limits; Item D. ASHA Housing Area; and Item E. Wildland Fire Education **Old Business Item C. Curfew/Siren**

V. CHIEFS' REPORTS

A. Fire Chief George Young- Acting Chief Bruce Perry

Commented on the completion of the ladder testing, indicating that the ladders will need to be replaced next year; hose testing is occurring; and hydrant testing will be conducted soon. Engine One up and running. Discussion following the high fire danger. Open burning was discussed, some of the criteria is based on location, winds, closeness of fire extinguisher. Bar-B-Que's are allowed. Interested persons can visit the fire department to apply for a written permit. If there is no permit, there is no provision in the city ordinance for penalties or fines; nor is there a fee for fire response calls. It was suggested that two "free" false calls be approved each year and after that it was recommended that the charge be \$1,000 per call. Chair Hildreth suggested obtaining information from Anchorage to review as a guideline for a possible ordinance in Bethel.

B. Police Chief Gary Eilers- Acting Chief RJ Ely

Acting Chief Ely stated that there were no additional items to add. Mayor Richardson asked about the "strong armed" robbery/mugging. Stating that the police department had no response to make about the "strong arm" crime other than to say that they were working on it. The public perception of what is being done. Ely stated that the department is close to making a public statement and to closing the case.

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John Hastie asked about the review of the police department budget. Chair Hildreth stated that a special meeting will be held to cover these as a budget meeting only.

Bruce Day asked Ely about the harbor incident. Ely stated the officer had contact with individuals and discovered the possibility of game violations, this incident was subsequently referred to AST. Discussion followed.

VI. COMMISSION MEMBER COMMENTS

Mayor Richardson stated that she would support the police department if they saw someone walking through town with a gun, she stated that she sees no problem with officers stopping and finding out what is going on, I think that is a question on probable cause and I think that that is very much probable cause.

Chair Hildreth stated that the budget session is coming up and he'd wants to set up a special meeting to go over budget items only. It would be a work session and not an actual commission meeting. Monday, May 12, 1997 at 6:00 p.m. at the fire station.

The Mayor stated that it would make no difference if the meeting was a special meeting or a work session. It needs to be stated and be real clear that it is not just one or two people that were making the decisions. Agenda is to be posted tomorrow; May 6, 1997.

VII. PEOPLE TO BE HEARD

No people to be heard.

VIII. OLD BUSINESS

Item A. Alcohol Beverage Delivery Site

Sharon Neth stated that she contacted airlines regarding the feasibility of delivering alcohol to a delivery site. Alaska Airlines manager does not expect the corporate office to be accommodating; and ACE says a guarded maybe. George was to ask the lawyer about issues regarding the ABCS. Mayor Richardson stated that Sharon Neth should contact L.J. Tanner regarding these issues.

Bruce Day stated that he has located the following sites:

*Kiddie-corner from the fire station

*Next to the Kuskokwim Inn

*Current Old Library Site

*He is not looking across the slough; ASHA; Tundra Ridge; Old Mission Road; and Log Cabin areas. These area's are not being considered because of the desires not to have the ABCS around churches or schools.

Mayor Richardson stated that the Old Library Site is spoken for by the city. The Korean church should be moved within the next 2 years or sooner. The Old Bus Barn will house the police station.

Tom Hildreth talked with persons regarding airport property and its uses (air taxi, airline activity) cargo operations are conducted out side the property or out side the fenced in area. There were no answers.

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Mayor Richardson stated that DOT is considering allowing the tribal councils to operate the airports. Why not allow Bethel to do this. Why not allow both the City of Bethel and the tribal council to operate the airport.

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John Hastie stated that he has received information from the Department of Justice and suggested that each of the commission members take a packet, review its contents and bring back to the commission the suggestions that could best fit the Bethel area. It was also suggested that Dave Tranthum be given a packet to review. It was also suggested that Dave Tranthum be sent a letter along with the packet. It was also stated that the police department needs to be involved in the community watch. Chair Hildreth stated that this will be on the agenda for the June meeting. Mayor Richardson stated that she will push the curfew and siren issues and that the parents are responsible for the actions of their children. And really stress that the police department pick up these kids after curfew, all in line with community watch.

Item C. Curfew/Siren

Chair Hildreth asked for a status report regarding this issue. RJ Ely stated that he did not have any information to date. George Young as acting City Manager was to assist the commission in gathering information. Mayor Richardson stated that she would request that Buster Richardson contact the police department to finalize the placement of the siren.

John Hastie requested that he be excused to attend another meeting at the culture center where he will chair that meeting.

IX. NEW BUSINESS

Item A. Speed Limit

Agakeek, Delapp, Atsaq and Ptarmigan street in the ASHA housing area.

Chair Hildreth/Bruce Day moved to reduce the speed limit from 25 to 15 MPH in the ASHA Housing area. Discussion followed. Motion failed.

Sharon Neth/Bruce Day moved to amend the motion to read reduce the speed limit to 20 MPH in all residential areas and post speed limit signs. Motion passed.

Item B. Wildland Fire Education

Education geared toward the school students. It was suggested that a PSA be written and submitted for public airing. The fire department will write a PSA and submit for airing.

Item C. Off-road Vehicle Registration

Mayor Richardson stated that Dario Notti submitted information to the city council who referred it to the Public Safety Commission. Restricting travelers from moving about town was not allowing the people of Bethel and surrounding villages adequate accessibility to businesses around town. And that the off road vehicles follow the same rules as motor vehicles - licenses, inspections, etc. Bruce Perry stated that in Nome the off road vehicles can travel any road except the main road and must be 16 years old and a licensed driver. Ely offered that Sand Point licensed

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and inspected all off road vehicles also. Ely will obtain from Sand Point a copy of their ordinance and regulations, to submit to the commission.

Add this item to the June agenda for consideration if the city council does not dismiss from their agenda.

X. ADJOURNMENT

The next meeting is scheduled for June 2, 1997, 6:00 p.m. at the Log Cabin.

Dick Russell/Sharon Neth moved to adjourn the meeting at 7:30 p.m. Motion passed.

PASSED AND APPROVED THIS _____ DAY OF _____, 1997.

Chairman Thomas A. Hildreth

Attest:

Darlene F. Engebretson, Recording Secretary

**City of Bethel
Regular Public Safety Commission Meeting
July 7, 1997**

I. CALL TO ORDER

Chair Tom Hildreth called the meeting to order at 6:10 p.m..

II. ROLL CALL

Present: Thomas Hildreth, Ruth "Wally" Richardson, John Hastie, Richard Russell

Absent: Helena Andrew (excused)
Bruce Day (excused)
Sharon Neth (excused)

III. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Approval of the minutes of May 5, 1997.

Wally Richardson/Richard Russell moved to approve the minutes of May 5, 1997.

Motion passes.

IV. PEOPLE TO BE HEARD

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V. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

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- Discussion follows.

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Mrs. Richardson states she is watching Trailer Court and trying to help enforce clean up.

Mr. Russell states concern for children in housing area especially on Ptarmigan. Discussion followed.

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Dick Russell withdraws Resolution 97-1.

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Discussion followed.

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Wally Richardson/John Hastie for Council Woman Richardson to present this to Council. Motion passed.

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Education geared toward the school students. It was suggested that a PSA be written and submitted for public airing. The fire department will write a PSA and submit for airing.

Item C. Off-road Vehicle Registration

Mayor Richardson stated that Dario Notti submitted information to the city council who referred it to the Public Safety Commission. Restricting travelers from moving about town was not allowing the people of Bethel and surrounding villages adequate accessibility to businesses around town. And that the off road vehicles follow the same rules as motor vehicles - licenses, inspections, etc. Bruce Perry stated that in Nome the off road vehicles can travel any road except the main road and must be 16 years old and a licensed driver. Ely offered that Sand Point licensed

City of Bethel
Regular Public Safety Commission Meeting
December 1, 1997

I. CALL TO ORDER

II. ROLL CALL

Present: Tom Hildreth, Bruce Day, Shari Neth (arrived at 8:40 pm), John Hastie, and Richard Russell.

Also, present: Fire Chief George Young, and Lt. Ely.

Absent: Helena Andrews (unexcused), Antone Anvil (excused).

II. PEOPLE TO BE HEARD

Kilbuck 6th Graders - Suzie Israelsson - Teacher, Patty Hollandsworth, Jocelyn Lopez, Lisa Typpo, Seth Fairbanks, Alex Winterstein, Andrea Savage, Annette Alphonsi, Kayle Ashepak, Michael Black, Nicholai Oscar, Curtis Neck, Tammy Clemons, Misha Dementieff, Douglas Chase, Roxanne Saddler, Virginia Waska, Dr. Laura Rich, Caoline Rennor, Dan Hermann, Ms Okley (Tundra Drums), and Mayor Phillips.

III. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Approval of the minutes of October 6, 1997 as amended.

Change New Item C second sentence spelled wrong principle should be principal.

Bruce Day/Richard Russell moved to approve the minutes of October 6, 1997 as amended. Motion passes.

IV. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Approval of the agenda of December 1, 1997 as amended.

Move Item A to the end of the meeting.

Bruce Day/Richard Russell moved to accept the Agenda as amended. Motion passes.

V. CHIEFS' REPORTS

A. Fire Chief George Young

Fire Department has been very busy. Doing a report on business owners.

Stanley Rogers - (from the audience) ask the Chief's how many reports have been made regrading people falling into the river.

Lt. Ely stated 2 reports have been made that he is aware of.

Information should be put out to the public.

Discussion.

Bruce Day/ John Hastie made a motion to flag areas around the river that can not be passed. Motion passed.

B. Acting Police Chief Lt. Ely

Nothing new to add everything is in the management report. Chief is out of town for meetings follow up doctors visit. Chad Rathbun has left the department and Richard L. Ely has been hired to fill the vacant Police Officer position. Mike Burley is the Code Enforcement Officer and is still doing Animal Control. Animal Control is Mike's first priority.

VII. COMMISSION MEMBER COMMENTS

Russell - Working on the final draft of the Alcohol Beverage site and has not finish as yet.

Day - Wants to re-introduce the Orientation Program, for Police and Fire Department new hires.

Discussion.

Bruce Day/ John Hastie made a motion to Have a Cultural Orientation for new hires. Motion passed.

Hildreth - Hats off to Wendy and the other Communication staff for their Certification of Emergency Medical Dispatcher. Congratulations to all.

Tom would like to stay in the running for the Chairman position on the Commission. Shari Neth does not want to stay on the Commission.

VIII. OLD BUSINESS

Item B. Off - road Vehicle Regulations(Chief)

Discussion

John Hastie/Bruce Day motion to table until next meeting. Motion passed.

Item C. Curfew (Bruce Day)

Discussion

Bruce will provide this information as an addendum at the meeting.

Change in Ordinance.

Change the age from 16 to 18.

Stats on Juvenile Crimes and Arrest for 36 months.

Copy Anchorage's language or curfew with the stats for next meeting. With breakdown of hours and day. Tom will draft this up and have for next meeting.

Item D. Block Grant (Police Dept.)

Discussion about what is going on with the grant.

Bruce Day/John Hastie made a motion that a member of the Public Safety member be on all the Grant Advisory Boards we have. Motion passed.

Item E. Siren complaints and noise (Police Dept)

Siren should be moved to the High School pending Principal's approval.

Discussion

John Hastie/Richard Russell made a motion to table until next meeting. Motion passed.

X. NEW BUSINESS

Item A. Smoking in Public Places

Discussion

Hastie - Presentation given under people to be heard.

Continued Discussion.

Richard Russell/John Hastie made a motion that the only change in letter from L.J. is the item number 7 should say any food service establishment.

Motion 4 yeas 1 nays

Motion passes.

Item B. Street lights

Discussion

Hildreth asked Lt. Ely what was going on with the street lights.

Lt. Ely - They were all out yesterday. Ha Ha.
The survey was done and sent to Public Works.

Hildreth - Would like a copy of the survey given to the Commission.

Shari Neth/John Hastie made a motion to table the street lights until the next meeting.

Motion passes.

Item A. Alcohol Beverage Delivery Site

Discussion

Shari Neth/Bruce Day made a motion that the Police and Fire Dept get the Commission the stats on alcohol related calls for Bethel and Villages for the year 1997.

Motion passed.

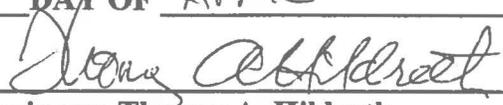
Tom Hildreth Thanked Shari Neth for being on the Commission and asked if she would be willing to stay on as an advisor on the Alcohol Beverage Delivery Site. Shari agreed to this, we just need to notify her when it is on the agenda.

X. ADJOURNMENT

Richard Russell/John Hastie made a motion to adjourn at 9:45 p.m.

Motion passed.

PASSED AND APPROVED THIS 6th DAY OF APRIL, 1998.



Chairman Thomas A. Hildreth

Attest:

Ginger Hayden, Recording Secretary

City of Bethel
Regular Public Safety Commission Meeting
May 5, 1997

I. CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order at 6:00 p.m. by Chairman Tom Hildreth.

II. ROLL CALL

Present: Thomas Hildreth, Bruce Day, Mayor Ruth "Wally" Richardson, Sharon Neth, John Hastie, Richard Russell

Absent: Helena Andrew (excused)

III. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Approval of the minutes of ^{May 5, 1997} ~~April 7, 1997~~ ^{Wally Richardson} as amended.

Old Business Item A. Alcohol Beverage Delivery Site (Page 2, line 2)-...delivery site is dependent...; (Page 3, line 4)-...Malone will; and **Item B. Curfew** (Paragraph 2, line 5)-...Krieder was going...; (Paragraph 2, line 6)-...needed; Broego from ... (Paragraph 2, line 7)-...Advertising will need...; (Paragraph 2, line 8)-...siren, Kent Harding...

New business Item E. Community Watch Program (Paragraph 3, line 2)... Chailken.
Discussion...

^{Richard Russell} Wally Richardson/^{May 5, 1997} ~~Bruce Day~~ moved to approve the minutes of ~~April 7, 1997~~ as amended.
Motion passes.

IV. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Wally Richardson/John Hastie moved to accept the Agenda as amended. Motion passes.

New Business Item C. ^{92-2 Rules} Speed Limits; **Item D. ASHA Housing Area**; and **Item E. Wildland Fire Education** **Old Business Item C. Curfew/Siren**

^{V. People to be heard Richard Russell/Wally Richardson moved to move people to}
V. CHIEFS' REPORTS ^{be heard to Item V. #1}

A. Fire Chief George Young- ^{some} Acting Chief Bruce Perry

Commented on the completion of the ladder testing, indicating that the ladders will need to be replaced next year; hose testing is occurring; and hydrant testing will be conducted soon. Engine One up and running. Discussion following the high fire danger. Open burning was discussed, some of the criteria is based on location, winds, closeness of fire extinguisher. Bar-B-Que's are allowed. Interested persons can visit the fire department to apply for a written permit. If there is no permit, there is no provision in the city ordinance for penalties or fines; nor is there a fee for fire response calls. It was suggested that two "free" false calls be approved each year and after that it was recommended that the charge be \$1,000 per call for businesses and the general public. Chair Hildreth suggested obtaining information from Anchorage to review as a guideline for a possible ordinance in Bethel.

B. Police Chief Gary Eilers- Acting Chief ~~R. Ely~~

^{Budget was approved as submitted (Wants to thank the Commission & City Council Pursuing of funding for matching funds for Amulance 4th of July Party went very good.)}
Acting Chief Ely stated that there were no additional items to add. Mayor Richardson asked about the "strong armed" robbery/mugging. Stating that the police department had no response to make about the "strong arm" crime other than to say that they were working on it. The public's

^{Brogdan}
Nothing new to add

perception of what is being done. Ely stated that the department is close to making a public statement and to closing the case.

John Hastie asked about the review of the police department budget. Chair Hildreth stated that a special meeting will be held to cover these as a budget meeting only.

Bruce Day asked Ely about the harbor incident. Ely stated the officer had contact with individuals and discovered the possibility of game violations, this incident was subsequently referred to AST. Bruce day asked what was probable cause for stopping a person. Ely stated that it was a friendly stop, just to find out what was going on with the group that was carrying shotguns through town.

VI. COMMISSION MEMBER COMMENTS

*Chair Russell - letter to Tandy
mail to all City Council members!*

Mayor Richardson stated that she would support the police department if they saw someone walking through town with a gun, she stated that she sees no problem with officers stopping and finding out what is going on, I think that is a question on probable cause and I think that that is very much probable cause.

he was in contact with Chief Young about a possible
~~Chair Hildreth stated that the budget session is coming up and he'd wants to set up a special meeting to go over budget items only. It would be a work session and not an actual commission meeting. The special meeting was set for Monday, May 12, 1997 at 6:00 p.m. at the fire station.~~

The Mayor stated that it would make no difference if the meeting was a special meeting or a work session. It needs to be stated and be real clear that it is not just one or two people that were making the decisions. Agenda is to be posted tomorrow; May 6, 1997.

~~VII. PEOPLE TO BE HEARD~~

~~No people to be heard.~~

VIII. OLD BUSINESS

~~Item A. Alcohol Beverage Delivery Site~~

Sharon Neth stated that she contacted airlines regarding the feasibility of delivering alcohol to a delivery site. Alaska Airlines manager does not expect the corporate office to be accommodating; and ACE says a guarded maybe. George was to ask the lawyer about issues regarding the ABCS. Mayor Richardson stated that Sharon Neth should contact L.J. Tanner regarding these issues.

Bruce Day stated that he has located the following sites:

- *Kiddie-corner from the fire station
- *Next to the Kuskokwim Inn
- *Current Old Library Site
- *He is not looking across the slough; ASHA; Tundra Ridge; Old Mission Road; and Log Cabin areas. These area's are not being considered because of the desires not to have the ABCS around churches or schools.

Mayor Richardson stated that the Old Library Site is spoken for by the city. The Korean church should be moved within the next 2 years or sooner. The Old Bus Barn will house the police station.

around town. And that the off road vehicles follow the same rules as motor vehicles - licenses, inspections, etc. Bruce Perry stated that in Nome the off road vehicles can travel any road except the main road and must be 16 years old and a licensed driver. Ely offered that Sand Point licensed

and inspected all off road vehicles also. Ely will obtain from Sand Point a copy of their ordinance and regulations, to submit to the commission.

Add this item to the June agenda for consideration if the city council does not dismiss from their agenda.

X. ADJOURNMENT

The next meeting is scheduled for June 2, 1997, 6:00 p.m. at the Log Cabin.

Dick Russell/Sharon Neth moved to adjourn the meeting at 7:30 p.m. Motion passed.

PASSED AND APPROVED THIS _____ DAY OF _____, 1997.

Chairman Thomas A. Hildreth

Attest:

Darlene F. Engebretson, Recording Secretary

**City of Bethel
Regular Public Safety Commission Meeting
July 7, 1997**

I. CALL TO ORDER

Chair Tom Hildreth called the meeting to order at 6:10 p.m..

II. ROLL CALL

Present: Thomas Hildreth, Ruth "Wally" Richardson, John Hastie, Richard Russell

Absent: Helena Andrew (excused)
Bruce Day (excused)
Sharon Neth (excused)

III. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Approval of the minutes of May 5, 1997.

Wally Richardson/Richard Russell moved to approve the minutes of May 5, 1997.

Motion passes. —

IV. PEOPLE TO BE HEARD

Ron Peltola had a complaint regarding the Police Department. He had no spoken with the Chief regarding the traffic ticket he received and was directed to take this matter up with the Chief first and if it were not resolve then to bring it to the Public Safety Commission.

V. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Wally Richardson/John Hastie moved to accept the Agenda as amended. Motion passes.

To move PEOPLE TO BE HEARD from VII to before Approval of Agenda. New Business Item B. Resolution 97-1 & 97-2.

VI. CHIEFS' REPORTS

A. Fire Chief George Young

Budget was approved as submitted. Pursuing funding for matching funds for an ambulance. 4th of July went very good. Would like to Thank the Commission and City Council.

B. Police Chief Gary Eilers- Acting Chief Brogdon

Acting Chief Brogdon stated that there were no additional items to add.

VII. COMMISSION MEMBER COMMENTS

Mr. Russell stated that he mailed a letter to Tundy Rogers and to all Council Members. Attached is a copy.

Mr. Hildreth stated that he was in contact with Chief Young about a possible source about funding for an ambulance. Michelle DeCorso at AVCP Inc. who is on maternity leave now says she is willing to help us on this. The federal Funding will not be available until Oct. 1st when their new fiscal year kicks in. She will work with us on writing the grants. Hopefully matching funds. Discussion followed.

Chief Young passed out information on Traffic Safety. Discussion followed.

Mr. Hastie has brought forward the following information:

- *Scepticism of going to the Police Department.
 - *Tapes of conversations with Ms Twitchell.
 - *Tundra Drums article
 - *Larry Black Incident —
 - *Credibility of John Hastie
 - *Proper procedures on excepting and reporting complaints
 - *Red Ribbon Week
- Discussion follows.

VIII. OLD BUSINESS

Item A. Community Watch Program

Mrs. Richardson states she is watching Trailer Court and trying to help enforce clean up.

Mr. Russell states concern for children in housing area especially on Ptarmigan. Discussion followed.

Mr. Hildreth states AVCP Housing is looking into a public playground for that area. He states that AVCP will purchase BRAND NEW playground equipment for the playground. If this is submitted to Chair Richardson she will present it to the council.

M/M by Hastie/Richardson To the Public Safety Commission in an act a resolution that which language that support the Community Watch in some capacity and submit that to the City Council for indorsement and forward to the State. Discussion followed. Motion passed.

Item B. Curfew/Siren

Discussion on location for siren.

M/M Russell/Hastie To recommend to the City Council the location of the Teen Center for the Siren. Discussion on Public Awareness regarding the siren. It was brought up that they advertise like was done for 3-1-1. Motion passed.

Item C. Speed Limit

Agakeek, Delapp, Atsaq and Ptarmigan street in the ASHA housing area.

Discussion followed.

*A study has to be done to lower the speed limit.

Item D. Off-road Vehicle Registration

Table this item to the August agenda

IX. NEW BUSINESS

Item A. Fireworks

Chief Young states that most everyone acted responsibly with fireworks this year.

Item B. Resolution 97-1 & 97-2

Dick Russell withdraws Resolution 97-1.

Dick Russell/Wally Richardson to rename 97-2 to 97-1.

Discussion followed.

Dick Russell/Wally Richardson to table this until next meeting or until Council has acted on these issues. Motion passed.

Wally Richardson/John Hastie for Council Woman Richardson to present this to Council. Motion passed.

X. ADJOURNMENT

Dick Russell/Wally Richardson moved to adjourn the meeting at 9:00 p.m. Motion passed.

PASSED AND APPROVED THIS _____ DAY OF _____, 1997.

Chairman Thomas A. Hildreth

Attest:

Ginger Hayden, Recording Secretary

City of Bethel
Regular Public Safety Commission Meeting
August 4, 1997

I. CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order at 6:15 p.m. by Chairman Tom Hildreth.

II. ROLL CALL

Present: Thomas Hildreth, Bruce Day, Sharon Neth, Richard Russell

Absent: Wally Richardson, Helena Andrew, John Hastie (excused)

II. PEOPLE TO BE HEARD

No people to be heard.

III. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Sharon Neth/Bruce Day moved to table minutes until next meeting.

Passed unanimously.

IV. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Richard Russell/Bruce Day moved to accept the Agenda as presented. Passed unanimously.

V. CHIEFS' REPORTS

A. Acting Fire Chief Bruce Perry

Acting Fire Chief Bruce Perry stated that they are working on an YKHC Grant for ambulance, first priority \$60,000 Second priority \$3,500. Should know something in about thirty days? The city is matching \$60,000 funds.

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Police Chief Eilers stated that the managers report was not submitted, do to new hire error would be in next packets. Spoke to Tad Miller and will get stats on take home vehicles.

Copy of stats will be given to commission before next meeting. Talk about a school grant - matching gran for school Liason position.

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An agenda item - Road Construction Traffic Patterns.

Chief will meet with the construction crew soon and report back to the commission on what the final plans are going to be, to get the public informed.

VII. COMMISSION MEMBER COMMENTS

Dick Russell presented information from the Internet about Juvenile crimes, a neighborhoods watch for all to read at their leisure.

Bruce Day had no comment.

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PASSED AND APPROVED THIS _____ DAY OF _____, 1997.

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Attest:

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X. ADJOURNMENT

Sharon Neth/Dick Russell moved to adjourn the meeting at 7:55 p.m. A voice vote passed unanimously.

PASSED AND APPROVED THIS 6th DAY OF OCTOBER, 1997.

Thomas a. Hildreth
Chairman Thomas a. Hildreth

Attest:

Verai Brozdon for Ginger
Ginger Hampton Recording Secretary

City of Bethel
Regular Public Safety Commission Meeting
September 8, 1997

I. CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order at 6:15 p.m. at the Bethel Fire Dept. by Chair Tom Hildreth.

II. ROLL CALL

Present: Tom Hildreth, Bruce Day, John Hastie, Sharon Neth, Bruce Perry, Gary Eilers.

Absent: Wally Richardson(unexcused), Helena Andrews (unexcused), Dick Russell (unexcused).

II. PEOPLE TO BE HEARD

No people to be heard.

III. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Minutes of July 7, 1997

Motion made by Sharon Neth to postpone the minutes until the next meeting when the committee members that were at the meeting are present.

Seconded by Day.

Motion passes.

Minutes of August 4, 1997

Motion made by John Hastie to postpone the minutes until the next meeting when the committee members that were at the meeting are present.

Seconded by Sharon Neth.

Motion passes.

IV. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Table the off road vehicles

Take home vehicle policy - Add to agenda when we have copies.

V. CHIEFS' REPORTS

A. Acting Fire Chief Bruce Perry

Waiting on more information about grant for ambulance. Emergency generator was used last week. Some pumps were running backward due to being installed wrong. Starting Recruit classes on the fire recruit class in November. EMT recertification to be done by December. October is Fire Prevention Month. We have approx. 8-15 kids from Pre-K to 6th grade this year. The painting of the building is not complete as of yet.

B. Police Chief Gary Eilers

The Bethel Police Dept. has more people per capita. Decision on... report.

VII. COMMISSION MEMBER COMMENTS

Bruce Day- no comment

John Hastie II- no comment

Sharon Neth- no comment

Tom Hildreth- no comment

VIII. OLD BUSINESS

Item A. Alcohol Beverage Delivery Site

Discussion on Alcohol delivery site.

Tom Hildreth asked Chief Eilers if he could get with the City Manager and ask him about our two concerns.

1. Alcohol delivery site to Bethel residents only?
2. Pre-paid freight.

More discussion.

Sharon Neth spoke with Mike Anderson about rental space at the airport, if we leased 300 sq. ft. it is \$1.85 a sq.ft. Also storage and handling fees would be 7 cents a pound. One of Mike's concerns were about break-in and limited access.

Tom Hildreth suggested we have a City employee that works there and monitors what is going on.

Sharon Neth introduced some discussion on LKSD's Resolution and we requested a copy to be arriving soon.

Short Break

Discussion on LKSD resolution.

Motion made by Bruce Day to adopt LKSD's resolution and make it our Resolution 97-3.

Seconded by John Hastie.

Motion passes unanimously.

Copy to City.

Sharon Neth made a motion to postpone Resolution 97-2 by Russell until a later date.

Seconded by Bruce Day.

Item B. Community Watch Programs

Tom Hildreth spoke about the training in Anchorage that he attended on behalf of the Police Dept. along with George K... Good Training on community policing and community watch. It is not going to be an overnight thing to get this started. He will meet with Chief Eilers and George K... and then represent his information to the commission.

Item C. Off-road Vehicle Regulation (brief)

Tabled for a later date.

Item C. Off - road Vehicle Regulations(Chief)

Tabled for a later date.

IX . NEW BUSINESS

Item A. Change of Ordinance

Tom Hildreth discussed the City Council changing the ordinance to adapt a fair hearing. This is probably the first for Alaska.

Item B. Road Construction Traffic Pattern (Chief)

Tom Hildreth Thanked the Police Dept. on getting the information out to the public on the traffic.

Sharon Neth had some concern on the safety issue on 3rd road housing. The Chief will discuss with the City Manager. The school will have lighted crosswalks, one in front of M.E. school, one by the High school and one by the old pump house.

Item C. Block Grant (Chief)

We are working on the grant. On Wednesday Cathy Katsel with Alaska State Troopers and a representative with the Dept. of Justice from Washington D.C. will be out here and we are going to discuss this with them. We hope to use the money for the DARE program and overtime for the officers. John Hastie has volunteered to sit on the review board for this grant.

Item D. Curfew/Unsupervised (Hastie)

John is concerned with the child neglect issue and brought up the issue of maybe DYFS should be contacted on cases with children out past curfew. The Chief will check with DYFS and see how they would like to handle this. Discussion.

X. ADJOURNMENT

John Hastie/Sharon Neth moved to adjourn the meeting at 8:00 p.m. A voice vote passed unanimously. Next meeting will be Monday October 6, 1997.

PASSED AND APPROVED THIS 6th DAY OF OCTOBER, 1997.

Thomas A. Hildreth
Chairman Thomas A. Hildreth

Attest:

Ginger Hayden
Ginger Hayden, Recording Secretary

City of Bethel
Regular Public Safety Commission Meeting
October 6, 1997

I. CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order at 6:06 p.m. at the Log Cabin by Chairman Thomas Hildreth. Verdi Brogdon recorded the minutes.

II. ROLL CALL

Present: Chairman Thomas A. Hildreth, Helena Andrews, Bruce Day, Sharon Neth, Dick Russell. Absent: Ruth (Wally) Richardson (excused) John Hastie (excused).

III. PEOPLE TO BE HEARD

No people to be heard.

IV. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Richard Russell/Thomas A. Hildreth move to except the minutes of July 7, 1997 as amended. Sharon Neth seconded based on the inflection of the two commission members that passed the minutes. Motion carried by unanimous vote.

Sharon Neth/Bruce Day move to except the minutes of August 4, 1997 as amended Motion carried by unanimous vote.

Bruce Day/Sharon Neth move to except the minutes of September 8, 1997 as amended Motion carried by unanimous vote.

V. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Richard Russell/Bruce Day move to except the agenda as amended, to table Old Business Item B. Motion carried by unanimous vote.

VI. CHIEFS' REPORTS

A. Bethel Fire Department, Chief Young is not present, his report is in the packet.

B. Bethel Police Department, Chief Eilers, there has been 11 curfew violations, 5 citations issued to the parents, 15 minor consuming citations, 29 run away incidents, 7 missing children and all were returned home. Commission would like to have the Police patrol the east side. Questions were asked on the Statistics on the percentages, DFYS and Social Services all calls are combined, questions on the call volume on the agency statistics. 911 is still being worked on by the attorney, Mr. Russell will work on the 911 system. Police Dept. bought two used vehicles from the State.

VII. COMMISSION MEMBER COMMENTS

Sharon Neth - No comments.

Richard Russell - Traffic pattern on Watson's Corner, was there any feed back on it? Check on the price of street lights, commission members are getting comments on putting a light at the corner, would like a police vehicle parked at Watson's during the busiest hour. Richard will check with the State to see when the street study was done and it is to be put on the agenda for the next meeting. The commission will do a formal asking of the residents of Bethel of what they think of Watson's Corner. The parking at VFW, Thomas will write a letter to the Planning Commission on putting up parking signs in that area.

Bruce Day - The time delay on getting the statistics that was brought to the city attorney for the voting of the liquor store.

Helena Andrew - Concerned about getting street lights between 150 and 116 East Ave, would like to see the guard rail up across the bridge, would like to see foot patrol around Hammer Manor and the boat harbor. The honey buckets around Carl Russell's area is pretty bad, Chief will talk with the Code Enforcement Officer. Would like the street light in East Ave on the next agenda item need the survey's that were done. Where Bruce Crow's Barge is parked is pretty dangerous.

Helena Andrew/Bruce Day move to have the Port Commission remove Bruce Crow's barge and to repair the guard rails along the seawall. Motion carried by unanimous vote.

Thomas Hildreth - Concerns on the curfew. Chairman encourages the public to call the Police Department on curfew violators.

VIII. OLD BUSINESS

A. Alcohol Beverage Delivery Site

On the first question, change the nonresidents to residents of dry villages, The second question is on probation related offense will not be included. The Library site is no longer an option, the commission would like to do a RFP (request for proposal) to the City Council to see how much it would be to rent space to have a company manage it, and the location, the commission would like from the Police Dept. a running tally of nonresidents and local residents on alcohol incident relates crimes from now until December, also will have the Fire Dept. do the same. Sharon and Richard will work on the final draft for the next meeting.

B. Off-road Vehicle Regulations

Tabled.

C. Curfew

Tabled until Bruce gets an Anchorage Ordinance to do some comparison with the City's ordinance.

IX. NEW BUSINESS

A. Road Construction Third Road Housing

The City redid the road.

B. Public hearing on Block Grant

The commission closed the public hearing on the Block Grant. The Advisory Board meet on the Block Grant and the total of the grant is \$26,754.00, the grant its self is \$24,079.00 and the city match is \$2,675.00, and it required two meetings. The grant is a Crime Prevention grant. Commission needs copies of the grant for next meeting.

C. Siren complaints and noise

Tabled for next meeting under Old Business. Sharon will contact the high school principal about siren being moved to the school.

D. Community Watch Resolution 97-2

Discussion on changing a few wording of the resolution.
Sharon Neth/Helena Andrews move the approve Resolution 97-2 with the amended changes. Motion carried by unanimous vote.

E. Smoking in Public places

Sharon Neth/Bruce Day move to table this for clarification on the memo from city attorney. Motion carried by unanimous vote.

Next regular meeting set for November 3, 1997.

X. ADJOURNMENT

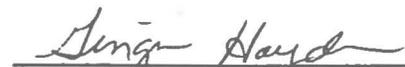
Richard Russell/Bruce Day move to adjourn this meeting at 8:08 p.m. Motion carried by unanimous vote.

PASSED AND APPROVED THIS 1st DAY OF DECEMBER, 1997.



Chairman Thomas A. Hildreth

Attest:



Ginger Hayden, Recording Secretary

**City of Bethel
Regular Public Safety Commission Meeting
November 3, 1997**

I. CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order at 6:15 p.m. at City Hall by Bruce Day.

II. ROLL CALL

Present: Bruce Day, Sharon Neth, Antone Anvil.

Also, present: Fire Chief George Young, and Sergeant Brogdon.

Absent: Tom Hildreth (excused), Helena Andrews (unexcused), John Hastie II, (excused), Dick Russell (excused).

THIS MEETING WAS CANCELED DUE TO NO QUORUM.