

1. CALL TO ORDER

A Regular Meeting of the Bethel City Council was held on July 13, 2021 at 6:30 p.m., in the Council chambers, Bethel, Alaska.

Mayor DeWitt called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m.

2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

3. ROLL CALL

Comprising a quorum of the Council, the following members were present:
City Council Member Perry Barr Vice-Mayor Haley Hanson (telephonically) City Council Member Mark Springer City Council Member Rose Henderson City Council Member Conrad McCormick Mayor Michelle DeWitt
Members Absent:
City Council Member Alyssa Leary
Also in attendance were the following:
City Manager Peter Williams, City Clerk Lori Strickler, City Attorney Libby Bakalar (telephonically)

4. PEOPLE TO BE HEARD – Five minutes per person

Fritz Charles addressed the Council concerning fencing between his property and a Park. Also spoke about curfew laws.

5. APPROVAL OF CONSENT AGENDA AND REGULAR AGENDA

Main Motion: Approve the Consent and Regular Agenda.

Moved by:	Rose Henderson
Seconded by:	Conrad McCormick
In favor:	Perry Barr, Haley Hanson, Mark Springer, Michelle DeWitt, Rose Henderson, Conrad McCormick
Opposed:	None

Results: | Motion Carries

6. APPROVAL OF MEETING MINUTES

Item 6.1. - *6-22-2021 Regular City Council Meeting
Passed on the consent agenda.

Item 6.2. - *6-29-2021 Special City Council Meeting
Passed on the consent agenda.

7. REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES

Item 7.1. - Committee/Commission Agendas And Draft Meeting Minutes

Port Commission- Meeting minutes of the March and April Port Commission Meetings included in the packet.

Planning Commission- Meeting will be held Thursday. Two items to be considered: a public hearing on an ordinance to allow bed and breakfasts in residential zones; and a conditional use permit to open a marijuana establishment.

Community Action Grant Committee- The application period will open August 1st and the deadline will be August 30th.

Finance Committee- Will be working with a business owner to help streamline taxation processing.

Public Works Committee- No one available to provide a report.

Public Safety and Transportation- Review of social media campaign to promote Fire Department volunteers.

Suspend the rules to go back to people to be heard.

Moved by:	Mark Springer
Seconded by:	Rose Henderson
In favor:	Perry Barr, Haley Hanson, Mark Springer, Michelle DeWitt, Rose Henderson, Conrad McCormick

Opposed: | None
Results: | Motion Carries

8. SPECIAL ORDER OF BUSINESS

Item 8.1. - Clean-Up Green-Up 2021 Prize Drawing (City Manager Williams)

Mayor DeWitt drew the names of the two winners of the Clean Up Green up Prize Drawing.

9. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Item 9.1. - Public Hearing Of Ordinance 21-29: Authorizing The Acquisition Of Interest In Land For A Utility Easement From Bethel Community Services Foundation, Inc. Involving The Bethel Avenues Piped Water And Sewer Project - Phase I (City Manager Williams)

Mayor DeWitt opened the Public Hearing.

No one present to be heard.

Mayor DeWitt closed the Public Hearing.

Main Motion: Adopt Ordinance 21-29.

Moved by: | Mark Springer
Seconded by: | Rose Henderson
In favor: | Perry Barr, Haley Hanson, Mark Springer, Michelle DeWitt, Rose Henderson, Conrad McCormick
Opposed: | None
Results: | Motion Carries

Item 9.2. - Public Hearing Of Budget Ordinance 21-33: Adopting The FY 2022 Capital Improvement Project Budget (City Manager Williams)

Mayor DeWitt opened the Public Hearing.

No one present to be heard.

Mayor DeWitt closed the Public Hearing.

Main Motion: Adopt Budget Ordinance 21-33.

Moved by:	Mark Springer
Seconded by:	Rose Henderson
In favor:	Perry Barr, Haley Hanson, Mark Springer, Michelle DeWitt, Rose Henderson, Conrad McCormick
Opposed:	None
Results:	Motion Carries

10. NEW BUSINESS

Item 10.1. - Emergency Ordinance 21-36: Extending And Amending Emergency Ordinances 21-25, 21-17, 21-10, 21-03, 20-38, 20-34, And 20-27 Establishing A Mandate Within The City Of Bethel That Masks Or Similar Face-Coverings Be Worn Under Certain Conditions (Mayor DeWitt)

Mayor DeWitt opened the Public Hearing.

No one present to be heard.

Mayor DeWitt closed the Public Hearing.

Main Motion: Adopt Emergency Ordinance 21-36.

Moved by:	Mark Springer
Seconded by:	Conrad McCormick
In favor:	Perry Barr, Haley Hanson, Mark Springer, Michelle DeWitt, Rose Henderson, Conrad McCormick
Opposed:	None
Results:	Motion Carries

Item 10.2. - *Introduction Of Ordinance 21-34: Amending Bethel Municipal Code Chapters Related To Discrimination And Harassment (Mayor DeWitt)

Passed on the consent agenda.

Item 10.3. - *Introduction Of Ordinance 21-35: Authorizing The Acquisition Of Interest In Land For A Utility Easement From Lower Kuskokwim School District And From Arvin D. And Connie E. Dull Involving The Bethel Avenues Piped Water And Sewer Project - Phase I (City Manager Williams)

Passed on the consent agenda.

Item 10.4. - AM 21-18: Direct City Administration To Pursue Funding From The Alaska State Revolving Loan Fund Program To Pay Part Of The Cost Of The Community-Wide System Expansion Preliminary Engineering Report And Environmental Assessment (City Manager Williams)

Main Motion: Approve AM 21-18.

Moved by:	Mark Springer
Seconded by:	Rose Henderson
In favor:	Perry Barr, Haley Hanson, Mark Springer, Michelle DeWitt, Rose Henderson, Conrad McCormick
Opposed:	None
Results:	Motion Carries

Item 10.5. - *AM 21-19: Appointment Of Committee/Commission/Board Members. Fritz T. Charles- Public Works Committee. Ron Reardon- Public Works Committee (Mayor DeWitt)

Passed on the consent agenda.

Item 10.6. - *IM 21-09: City Of Bethel Organizational Goals And Priorities (Mayor DeWitt)

Passed on the consent agenda.

Item 10.7. - *IM 21-10: Presentation Of The City's Water And Sewer Services Expenditures Compared To Budget From July 1, 2020 To June 30, 2021 – Utilities Maintenance – Water And Wastewater Activity Report (City Manager Williams)

Passed on the consent agenda.

Item 10.8. - *Personal Time Off- City Attorney- July 2, 2021 (Mayor DeWitt)

Passed on the consent agenda.

Item 10.9. - *Personal Time Off City Clerk July 22, 23 (Mayor DeWitt)

Passed on the consent agenda.

11. REPORTS

Item 11.1. - Mayor's Report

Item 11.2. - City Manager's Report

Motion to suspend the rules to hear from Fire Chief Solesbee.

Moved by:	Perry Barr
Seconded by:	Mark Springer
In favor:	Perry Barr, Haley Hanson, Mark Springer, Michelle DeWitt, Rose Henderson, Conrad McCormick
Opposed:	None
Results:	Motion Carries

Item 11.3. - Clerk's Report

12. COUNCIL MEMBER COMMENTS

Mayor DeWitt- Would like to schedule a special meeting to update the Council's Goals and Prioritizes. Thanked the City Manager, Clerk, and Attorney for their communications.

Vice-Mayor Hanson- No comment.

Council Member Barr- Mentioned Public concern over the use of ATVs on the roadways. Safe use of ATV's is an important issue that the council should take on.

Council Member Springer- Thanked the city employees that are cleaning up around the dumpsters. Agreed with the statements made by Council Member Barr.

Council Member Henderson- Agreed with the statements made about the dangers of ATV use. Will be taking this issue to the Public Safety and Transportation Commission. Has received complaints of Council Members not attending their committee meetings. We need to make sure we are doing our job representing the committees we sit on. Thanked the City Clerk and the City Attorney for their work on code cleanups. Thanked the two newly appointed members on the Public Works Committee. Congratulated the clean up green up winners. Thanked Chief Solesbee for attending and requested the department heads attend the meetings.

Council Member McCormick- Thanked everyone that participated in clean up green up.

Thanked Chief Solesbee for his report this evening. Encouraged everyone to be safe out there. If you decide to run for City Council, make sure you get your paperwork submitted appropriately.

13. EXECUTIVE SESSION

14. ADJOURNMENT

Main Motion: Adjournment.

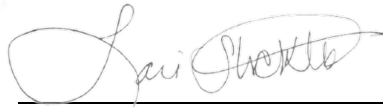
Moved by:	Mark Springer
Seconded by:	Rose Henderson
In favor:	Perry Barr, Haley Hanson, Mark Springer, Michelle DeWitt, Rose Henderson, Conrad McCormick
Opposed:	None
Results:	Motion Carries

Meeting ended at 7:42 p.m.


Haley Chartier-Hanson (Jul 29, 2021 15:54 AKDT)

Haley Hanson, Vice-Mayor

ATTEST:



Lori Strickler, City Clerk

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