

1. CALL TO ORDER

A Special Meeting of the Bethel City Council was held on December 20, 2021 at 6:00 p.m., in the Council Chambers, Bethel, Alaska.

Mayor Springer called the meeting to order at 6:00 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 Council Member Michelle DeWitt City Council Member Rose Henderson City Council Member Beth Hessler City Council Member Eric Whitney Vice-Mayor Conrad McCormick Mayor Mark Springer
Members Absent:
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

Verbal Public Testimony

Elizabeth Bates- Spoke in favor of the continuance of the Emergency Ordinances.

Ellen Hodges- Spoke in favor of the continuance of the Emergency Ordinances.

Connie Peter- Spoke against the Emergency Ordinances.

Written Public Testimony

Beverly Hoffman- Spoke in favor of the continuance of the Emergency Ordinances.

Kathy Hanson- Spoke in favor of the continuance of the Emergency Ordinances.

Diane McEachern- Spoke in favor of the continuance of the Emergency Ordinances.

Cindy Aderecheck- Spoke in favor of the continuance of the Emergency Ordinances.

Jill Hoffman- Spoke in favor of the continuance of the Emergency Ordinances.

5. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Main Motion: Approve the Agenda.

Moved by:	Conrad McCormick
Seconded by:	Michelle DeWitt
In favor:	Perry Barr, Mark Springer, Michelle DeWitt, Rose Henderson, Conrad McCormick, Eric Whitney, Beth Hessler
Opposed:	None
Results:	Motion Carries

6. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Item 6.1. - Public Hearing Of Emergency Ordinance 21-59: Establishing A Mandate Within The City Of Bethel That Masks Or Similar Face-Coverings Be Worn In Public In Indoor And Indoor-Adjacent Spaces, And Under Certain Conditions In Outdoor Spaces, During The COVID-19 Public Health Emergency (Mayor Springer)

Mayor Springer opened the Public Hearing.

No one present to be heard.

Mayor Springer closed the Public Hearing.

Main Motion: Adopt Emergency Ordinance 21-59.

Moved by:	Rose Henderson
Seconded by:	Conrad McCormick
In favor:	Perry Barr, Mark Springer, Michelle DeWitt, Rose Henderson, Conrad McCormick, Eric Whitney
Opposed:	Beth Hessler
Results:	Motion Carries

Item 6.2. - Public Hearing Of Emergency Ordinance 21-60: Temporarily Suspending Bethel Municipal Code 13.04.290 To Prevent Water Shutoff For Non-Payment Of Charges For Certain Account-Types And Dollar Amounts (Mayor Springer)

Mayor Springer opened the Public Hearing.

No one present to be heard.

Mayor Springer closed the Public Hearing.

Main Motion: Adopt Emergency Ordinance 21-60.

Moved by:	Mark Springer
Seconded by:	Rose Henderson
In favor:	Perry Barr, Mark Springer, Michelle DeWitt, Rose Henderson, Conrad McCormick, Eric Whitney, Beth Hessler
Opposed:	None
Results:	Motion Carries

7. NEW BUSINESS

Item 7.1. - Public Hearing Of Emergency Ordinance 21-62: Extending The Declaration Of Emergency Issued Through Ordinances 21-30, 21-16, 21-08, 21-02, 20-38, 20-32, 20-29, 20-11, 20-09, 20-08, 21-38, 21-46, 21-51 (Mayor Springer)

Mayor Springer opened the Public Hearing.

No one present to be heard.

Mayor Springer closed the Public Hearing.

Main Motion: Adopt Emergency Ordinance 21-62.

Moved by:	Michelle DeWitt
Seconded by:	Eric Whitney
In favor:	Perry Barr, Mark Springer, Michelle DeWitt, Rose Henderson, Conrad McCormick, Eric Whitney
Opposed:	Beth Hessler
Results:	Motion Carries

Item 7.2. - Public Hearing Of Emergency Ordinance 21-63: Extending Ordinance 21-31 Testing And Quarantine Mandates And Exemptions (Mayor Springer)

Mayor Springer opened the Public Hearing.

If no one present to be heard.

Mayor Springer closed the Public Hearing.

Main Motion: Adopt Emergency Ordinance 21-63.

Moved by:	Eric Whitney
Seconded by:	None
In favor:	Perry Barr, Mark Springer, Michelle DeWitt, Rose Henderson, Conrad McCormick, Eric Whitney
Opposed:	Beth Hessler
Results:	Motion Carries

Suspend the rules to hear from YKHC Medical Staff.

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

Opposed: McCormick, Eric Whitney, Beth Hessler
Results: None
Motion Carries

Primary Amendment: strike under the third whereas "at the Bethel Airport"

Moved by: Eric Whitney
Seconded by: Conrad McCormick
In favor: Perry Barr, Mark Springer, Michelle DeWitt, Rose Henderson, Conrad McCormick, Eric Whitney, Beth Hessler
Opposed: None
Results: Motion Carries

8. EXECUTIVE SESSION

Item 8.1. - In Accordance With AS 44.62.310.(C)(3) Matters Which By Law, Municipal Charter, Or Ordinance Are Required To Be Confidential- Union Negotiations (City Manager Williams)

The Council did not enter into executive session or discuss this item of business.

9. ADJOURNMENT

Main Motion: Adjournment.

Moved by: Rose Henderson
Seconded by: Conrad McCormick
In favor: Perry Barr, Mark Springer, Michelle DeWitt, Rose Henderson, Conrad McCormick, Eric Whitney, Beth Hessler
Opposed: None
Results: Motion Carries

The meeting ended at 6:50 p.m.

Mark Springer, Mayor

ATTEST:

Lori Strickler, City Clerk