

1. CALL TO ORDER

A Regular Meeting of the Bethel City Council was held on March 22, 2022 at 6:30 p.m., in the Council Chambers, Bethel, Alaska.

Mayor Springer 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 Rose Henderson (telephonically) City Council Member Beth Hessler (telephonically) City Council Member Perry Barr (telephonically) Vice-Mayor Conrad McCormick (telephonically) City Council Member Eric Whitney (telephonically) <i>arrived after roll call 6:33 p.m.</i> Council Member Michelle DeWitt (telephonically) <i>arrived after roll call 6:34 p.m.</i> Mayor Mark Springer
Members Absent:
Also in attendance were the following:
Acting City Manager William Arnold (telephonically), City Clerk Lori Strickler

4. PEOPLE TO BE HEARD – Five minutes per person

Lorin Bradbury- Concerned with the current Hauled Utilities policy of no extra calls or change of service. Not in favor of renewing the emergency ordinance. In favor of in-person public meetings.

Alex Wasierski- Updated the Council about the status of issues concerning the Good Vibes LLC license review contained in the Administrative review.

Council Member Whitney arrived at 6:33 p.m.

Council Member DeWitt arrived at 6:34 p.m.

Item 4.1. - Written Public Comments

No written comments were submitted.

5. APPROVAL OF CONSENT AGENDA AND REGULAR AGENDA

Main Motion: Approve the Consent and Regular Agenda.

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

6. APPROVAL OF MEETING MINUTES

Item 6.1. - *3-8-2022 Regular 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, Council Member Hessler- A meeting was not held due to a family emergency with staff.

Planning Commission, Council Member Henderson- Reviewed Kasayuli Zoning and discussed the transfer of property by sale from the City of Bethel to ONC.

Community Action Grant Technical Review Board, Council Member Barr- The council will be presented with a recommendation at the next regular city council meeting.

Community Parks and Recreation Committee, Council Member DeWitt- Reviewed the recommendation for the Council related to the YK Fitness Center.

Finance Committee, Council Member Whitney- No meeting since last meeting.

Public Works Committee, Mayor Springer- A meeting was not held due to lack of quorum.

Public Safety and Transportation Commission, Vice-Mayor McCormick- Will be discussing the transportation industry and possibly animal control at the next meeting.

8. SPECIAL ORDER OF BUSINESS

Item 8.1. - Bethel Comprehensive Plan 2045 Introduction (City Manager Williams)
LaQuita Chmielowski, DOWL Representative, provided an overview of the Comprehensive Plan Procedure.

9. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Item 9.1. - Public Hearing Of Ordinance 22-02: Amending BMC 10.03.040 Governing The Operation Of All Terrain Vehicles (ATVS) On Public Roadways Within The City Of Bethel (Rose Henderson)

Mayor Springer opened the Public Hearing.

No one present to be heard.

Mayor Springer closed the Public Hearing.

Main Motion: Adopt Ordinance 22-02.

Moved by: Rose Henderson

Seconded by: Conrad McCormick

Motion to amend to strike "and Akakeek."

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

Postpone until April 26, 2022 for an additional public hearing.

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

10. NEW BUSINESS

Item 10.1. - Public Hearing Of Emergency Ordinance 22-10: 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, 21-62, 22-05 (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 22-10.

Moved by: Conrad McCormick

Seconded by: None

Motion does not carry due to a lack of a second.

Item 10.2. - *Introduction Of Ordinance 22-09: Amending BMC 01.01.120 Code Adoption, Supplements To Code (Mayor Springer)

Passed on the consent agenda.

Item 10.3. - Administrative Review Of Good Vibes LLC Application For Retail Marijuana Store. License #30563. Doing Business As, Good Vibes Bethel, located at 323 Chief Eddie Hoffman Highway Bethel, AK 99559 (Mayor Springer)

Council reviewed this item of business

Suspend the rules to hear from Fire Chief Solesbee.

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

Item 10.4. - Administrative Review Of UCP49 LLC Application For Restaurant/Eating Place. Alcohol License #6027. Doing Business As, UnCommon Pizza, Located at 401 Chief Eddie Hoffman Highway, Bethel, AK 99559 (Mayor Springer)

Council reviewed this item of business

Item 10.5. - *AM 22-08: Appointment Of Committee And Commission Members For A Term Of Three Years (Mayor Springer)

Passed on the consent agenda.

Item 10.6. - AM 22-09: Confirming Duane Wright As The Finance Director (City Manager Williams)

Main Motion: Approve AM 22-09.

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

Motion to suspend the rules to hear from Human Resources Director Cochrane.

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

11. REPORTS

Item 11.1. - Mayor's Report

Item 11.2. - City Manager's Report

Item 11.3. - Clerk's Report

12. COUNCIL MEMBER COMMENTS

Mayor Springer- Acknowledged the service of Congressman Don Young who recently passed. Looking forward to a warming trend which doesn't look like it will be happening any time soon.

Vice-Mayor McCormick- Congratulated Tooksook Bay for winning the State Championship.

Council Member DeWitt- No Comment.

Council Member Barr- No Comment.

Council Member Henderson- Appreciated the debate on the four-wheeler issue. Encouraged the community to provide feedback to the Council. Encouraged people to apply for driver jobs for the city. Thanked the HR Director for the work she has done.

Council Member Whitney- Best wishes to the Bethel High school Basketball team and Cheerleading squad at State.

Council Member Hessler- Encouraged the public to participate in the Bethel Comprehensive Plan meeting on March 24th.

13. EXECUTIVE SESSION

Item 13.1. - In Accordance With AS 44.62.310.C(2)- Subjects That Tend To Prejudice The Reputation And Character Of Any Person, Provided The Person May Request A Public Discussion- City Clerk Annual Evaluation (Mayor Springer)
Main Motion: Move into Executive session in Accordance With AS 44.62.310.C(2)- Subjects That Tend To Prejudice The Reputation And Character Of Any Person, Provided The Person May Request A Public Discussion- City Clerk Annual Evaluation.

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

Opposed: | None
Results: | Motion Carries

Moved into the executive session at 8:27 p.m.
Moved out of the executive session at 9:22 p.m.

Motion to provide an annual increase to Lori Strickler, per her employment agreement in the amount of 3%.

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

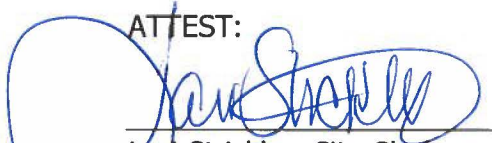
14. ADJOURNMENT

Main Motion: Adjournment.

Moved by: | Perry Barr
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

Meeting ended at 9:30 p.m.


Mark Springer, Mayor

ATTEST:

Lori Strickler, City Clerk