

**City Council Meeting
City of Bethel, Alaska
Regular Meeting
July 26, 2022**

1. CALL TO ORDER

A Regular Meeting of the Bethel City Council was held on July 26, 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 Eric Whitney (telephonically) City Council Member Beth Hessler City Council Member Rose Henderson City Council Member Michelle DeWitt Mayor Mark Springer
Members Absent:
City Council Member Perry Barr Vice-Mayor Conrad McCormick
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

Raymond Pete- Brought up complaints against the Transit System and Homeless Shelter. Suggested Bethel change its name to Mamterilleq.

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

Council Member Hessler- Remove from the Consent Agenda, New Business Item 10.6, IM 22-15.

6. APPROVAL OF MEETING MINUTES

Item 6.1. - *7-12-2022 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 lack of a quorum.

Planning Commission, Council Member Henderson- The commission approved two conditional use permits for Bed and Breakfast Homestays.

Community Action Grant Technical Review Board- No one present to be heard.

Community Parks and Recreation Committee, Council Member DeWitt-The committee will meet again on August 8th, at 6:00 p.m.

Finance Committee, Council Member Whitney- There are vacancies on the Committee.

Public Works Committee, Mayor Springer- There are vacancies on the Committee and many job openings in the Public Works Department.

8. SPECIAL ORDER OF BUSINESS

9. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Item 9.1. - Public Hearing of Budget Ordinance 22-25: Establishing The Fiscal Year 2023 Capital Improvement Plan Budget (City Manager Williams)

The motion to adopt Ordinance 22-25 was made at the July 21, 2022 Special City Council meeting by Council Member DeWitt and seconded by Council Member Hessler.

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

Motion to amend Capital Improvement- Enterprise Funds Yukon-Kuskokwim Aquatic Health & Safety Center to strike "\$58,000" and insert "0"

Moved by:	Michelle DeWitt
Seconded by:	Beth Hessler
In favor:	Mark Springer, Michelle DeWitt, Rose Henderson, Eric Whitney, Beth Hessler
Opposed:	None

Results: | Motion Carries

Motion to amend General Fund- Capital Expenditures Fire to strike "\$505,248" and insert "\$252,624"

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

Motion to amend General Fund- Capital Expenditures Property Maintenance to strike "\$300,000" and insert "\$200,000".

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

Motion to amend the Ordinance under Capital Improvement- Enterprise Funds, Water and Sewer, to strike "\$775,390" and insert "\$1,075,390".

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

Item 9.2. - Public Hearing Of Budget Ordinance 22-22(a): Amending The City Of Bethel Fiscal Year 2023 Budget (City Manager Williams)

The motion to adopt Ordinance 22-22(a) was made at the July 21, 2022 Special City Council meeting by Council Member Hessler and seconded by Council Member DeWitt.

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

10. NEW BUSINESS

Item 10.1. - *Introduction Of Budget Ordinance 21-26(m): Amending The Fiscal Year 2022 Budget (City Manager Williams)

Passed on the consent agenda.

Item 10.2. - *Introduction Of Ordinance 22-26: Submitting To The Qualified Voters Of The City Of Bethel, On October 4, 2022, A Ballot Proposition Initiated Through Alcohol Local Option Petition (Mayor Springer)

Passed on the consent agenda.

Item 10.3. - *Introduction Of Ordinance 22-27: Amending The Official Land Use Map Of Bethel By Adopting A General Use Zoning Designation To Land Owned By Jeannine Faulkner Consisting Of A 2.32-Acre Property Located At 2000 Bia Road; Tract A, Plat 83-42BS; Section 11, Township 8N, Range 72W, Seward Meridian, In The Bethel Recording District (Planning Commission)

Passed on the consent agenda.

Item 10.4. - *Resolution 22-07: Request For Variance To Federal Motor Carrier Safety Administration Regulations So That Alaskans Can Complete Some Or All Commercial Driver's License Requirements In Bethel And Other Rural Areas Of Alaska (City Manager Williams)

Passed on the consent agenda.

Item 10.5. - AM 22-21: Accepting The Resignation Of Vice-Mayor CJ McCormick Effective October 11, 2022 And Directing The City Clerk To Place The One-Year Term Seat On The City Of Bethel Regular Election Ballot (Mayor Springer)

Main Motion: Adopt AM 22-21.

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

Item 10.6. - *IM 22-15 Business License and Sales Tax compliance (City Manager Williams)

Motion to accept IM 22-15.

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

Motion to suspend the rules to hear from the Finance Director.

Moved by:	Rose Henderson
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Seconded by:	Michelle DeWitt
In favor:	Mark Springer, Michelle DeWitt, Rose Henderson, 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- Reminded the public about the high price of stove oil and that they can use their Permanent Fund Dividend to fill up their stove oil tanks before winter.

Council Member DeWitt- No Comment

Council Member Henderson- Presented memories of Mr. David Trantham. Be careful on the river as the high winds are making rough conditions.

Council Member Whitney-No comment.

Council Member Hessler-No comment.

13. EXECUTIVE SESSION

14. ADJOURNMENT

Main Motion: Adjournment.

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

Meeting ended at 8:04 p.m.

ATTEST:


Lori Strickler, City Clerk


Mark Springer, Mayor