

1. CALL TO ORDER

A Regular Meeting of the Bethel City Council was held on January 10th, 2023 at 6:30 p.m., in the Council Chambers, Bethel, Alaska.

Mayor Henderson called the meeting to order at 6:31 p.m.

2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

3. ROLL CALL

Comprising a quorum of the Council, the following members were present:
City Council Member Sophie Swope (telephonically) City Council Member Patrick Snow City Council Member Eric Whitney City Council Member Beth Hessler City Council Member Mark Springer Vice-Mayor Henry Batchelor Mayor Rose Henderson
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

Sam Santistevan, and Tina Uta, 4H Representatives- Provided an update to the members and the public on the programs and events at 4H.

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:	Eric Whitney
Seconded by:	Patrick Snow
In favor:	Mark Springer, Rose Henderson, Eric Whitney, Beth Hessler, Henry Batchelor, Patrick Snow, Sophie Swope
Opposed:	None
Results:	Motion Carries

Remove 10.1, 10.2, and 10.6 from the Consent Agenda, Council Member Springer.

6. APPROVAL OF MEETING MINUTES

Item 6.1. - *12-13-2022 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 Swope- The meeting for Thursday was canceled due to lack of public notice.

Community Action Grant Committee, Vice-Mayor Batchelor- A meeting has not been scheduled since the last city council meeting.

Community Parks and Recreation Committee, Council Member Whitney- A meeting was not held due to a lack of a quorum.

Finance Committee, Council Member Henderson- A meeting was not held due to a lack of a quorum.

Public Works Committee, Council Member Springer- A meeting was not held do to a lack of public notice.

Public Safety and Transportation Commission, Council Member Snow- A meeting was not held due to a lack of a quorum.

8. SPECIAL ORDER OF BUSINESS

9. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Item 9.1. - Public Hearing Of Budget Ordinance 22-22 (f): Amending The City Of Bethel Fiscal Year 2023 Budget (City Manager Williams)

Mayor Henderson opened the Public Hearing.

No one present to be heard.
Mayor Henderson closed the Public Hearing.

Main Motion: Adopt Budget Ordinance 22-22(f).

Moved by:	Henry Batchelor
Seconded by:	Patrick Snow
In favor:	Mark Springer, Rose Henderson, Eric Whitney, Beth Hessler, Henry Batchelor, Patrick Snow, Sophie Swope
Opposed:	None
Results:	Motion Carries

10. NEW BUSINESS

Item 10.1. - *Introduction Of Ordinance 23-01: Amending Bethel Municipal Code 2.60.030 Appointment, Term, Vacancy, And Removal Of Members (Council Member Hessler)

Main Motion: Introduce Ordinance 23-01.

Moved by:	Beth Hessler
Seconded by:	Henry Batchelor
In favor:	Beth Hessler, Henry Batchelor, Patrick Snow
Opposed:	Mark Springer, Rose Henderson, Eric Whitney, Sophie Swope
Results:	Motion Fails

Item 10.2. - *Resolution 23-01: City Of Bethel Priorities For The SFY 2024 State Of Alaska Capital Budget (City Manager Williams)

Main Motion: Adopt Resolution 23-01.

Moved by:	Mark Springer
Seconded by:	Patrick Snow
In favor:	Mark Springer, Rose Henderson, Eric Whitney, Beth Hessler, Henry Batchelor, Patrick Snow, Sophie Swope
Opposed:	None
Results:	Motion Carries

Motion to amend to strike Priority Number 2.

Moved by:	Mark Springer
Seconded by:	Henry Batchelor
In favor:	None
Opposed:	Mark Springer, Rose Henderson, Eric Whitney, Beth Hessler, Henry Batchelor, Patrick Snow, Sophie Swope
Results:	Motion Fails

Item 10.3. - *AM 23-01: Appointment Of Committee And Commission Members For A Term Of Three Years (Mayor Henderson)

Passed on the consent agenda.

Item 10.4. - AM 23-02: Approve City Council Member Travel To Juneau For Alaska Municipal League Winter Conference (Council Member Swope)

Main Motion: Approve AM 23-02.

Moved by:	Sophie Swope
Seconded by:	Mark Springer
In favor:	Mark Springer, Rose Henderson, Eric Whitney, Beth Hessler, Henry Batchelor, Patrick Snow, Sophie Swope
Opposed:	None
Results:	Motion Carries

Item 10.5. - *IM 23-01: Presentation of the City's Water & Sewer Services Expenditures Compared to Budget for Dec 2022 - Utilities Maintenance and Dec 2022 Water & Wastewater Activity Report (City Manager Williams)

Passed on the consent agenda.

Item 10.6. - *IM 23-02: City Of Bethel Emergency Operations Plan 2023-2028 Completed By DOWL Engineer Firm (City Manager Williams)

Council discussed this item.

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 Henderson- Condolences to the family and friends of Terry Stonecipher; the current Police Chief of Klawock who served as an officer in our community in the past.

Vice-Mayor Batchelor- Thanked the people keeping the ice road clear and safe.

Council Member Springer- Wished everyone a happy Slaviq. Spoke about the upcoming weather conditions with dropping temperatures. Encouraged families to make sure kids are bundled and safe. Congratulations to former colleagues: CJ McCormick, District 38 State House of Representative; and Mary Peltola, US House of Representatives.

Thanked Tiffany Zulkoski for her service in the legislature.

Council Member Whitney- Bogus 150 Race starts this weekend. There will be extra traffic, including dog teams, on the river; be mindful of river travel.

Council Member Hessler- Thanked the 4-H representatives for coming to speak to the council. Appreciated hearing the Council's point of view on term limits.

Council Member Swope- Glad that the darkest days of winter are behind us and that sunnier days are ahead. Wished everyone a happy Slaviq

Council Member Snow- No comment.

Clerk's Note: The Internet connection was in and out throughout the meeting from 7:34 p.m. to 8:04 p.m.

13. EXECUTIVE SESSION

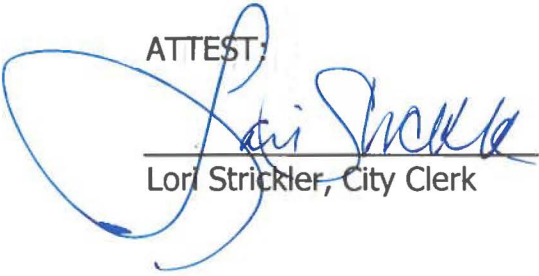
14. ADJOURNMENT

Main Motion: Adjournment.

Moved by:	Henry Batchelor
Seconded by:	Patrick Snow
In favor:	Mark Springer, Rose Henderson, Eric Whitney, Beth Hessler, Henry Batchelor, Patrick Snow, Sophie Swope
Opposed:	None
Results:	Motion Carries

Meeting ended at 8:05 p.m.

ATTEST:


Lori Strickler, City Clerk




Rose Henderson, Mayor