

1. CALL TO ORDER

A Regular Meeting of the Bethel City Council was held on March 24, 2026 at 6:30 p.m., in the Council Chambers, Bethel, Alaska.
Mayor Henderson 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 Mark Springer City Council Member Kelsi Kime City Council Member Greg Schiedler Mayor Rose Henderson City Council Member Pamela Conrad City Council Member Alicia Miner
Members Absent:
Vice-Mayor Teresa Keller
Also in attendance were the following:
City Manager Lori Strickler, City Clerk Kevin Morgan, City Attorney Libby Bakalar (telephonically)

4. PEOPLE TO BE HEARD – Five minutes per person

Robin Clough- Austin Texas- Visting Bethel to do research on the K300 for a documentary.

Item 4.1. - Written Public Comments

No Written Comments Submitted.

5. APPROVAL OF CONSENT AGENDA AND REGULAR AGENDA

Main Motion: Approval of the Consent and Regular Agenda.

- Moved by: Alicia Miner
- Seconded by: Greg Schiedler
- In favor: Mark Springer, Kelsi Kime, Greg Schiedler, Rose Henderson, Pamela Conrad, Alicia Miner
- Opposed: None
- Results: Motion Carries

-Remove from the Consent Agenda- Item 10.5, AM 26-06- Council Member Kime.

6. APPROVAL OF MEETING MINUTES

Item 6.1. - *3-10-2026 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 Conrad- No quorum at last meeting.

Planning Commission, Mayor Henderson- Discussed Nuisance properties.

Community Action Grant Committee, Council Member Miner- No meetings for the remainder of the Fiscal Year.

Finance Committee, Council Member Schiedler- No quorum at last meeting.

Public Works Committee, Council Member Kime- No quorum, due to a resigning committee member.

Public Safety and Transportation Commission, Council Member Springer- Next meeting April 1, 2026.

8. SPECIAL ORDER OF BUSINESS

9. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Item 9.1. - Public Hearing Of Ordinance 26-04: Amending BMC 4.20.060, Purchasing, Local Preferences (City Manager Strickler)

Mayor Henderson opened the Public Hearing.

No one present to be heard.

Mayor Henderson closed the Public Hearing.

Main Motion: Adopt Ordinance 26-04.

Moved by: | Alicia Miner

Seconded by: Kelsi Kime
In favor: Mark Springer, Kelsi Kime, Greg Schiedler, Rose Henderson, Pamela Conrad,
Alicia Miner
Opposed: None
Results: Motion Carries

Item 9.2. - Public Hearing Of Ordinance 26-05: Amending BMC 3.16.030, Personnel Rules And Regulations, Recruitment (City Manager Strickler)

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

Main Motion: Adopt Ordinance 26-05.

Moved by: Alicia Miner
Seconded by: Greg Schiedler
In favor: Mark Springer, Kelsi Kime, Greg Schiedler, Rose Henderson, Pamela Conrad,
Alicia Miner
Opposed: None
Results: Motion Carries

Item 9.3. - Public Hearing Of Ordinance 26-06: Amending Non-Codified Fees And Charges For The City Of Bethel (City Manager Strickler)

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

Main Motion: Adopt Ordinance 26-06.

Moved by: Kelsi Kime
Seconded by: Alicia Miner
In favor: Mark Springer, Kelsi Kime, Greg Schiedler, Rose Henderson, Pamela Conrad,
Alicia Miner
Opposed: None
Results: Motion Carries

10. NEW BUSINESS

Item 10.1. - *Introduction Of Ordinance 25-08(h): Amending The Adoption Annual Operating Budget For Fiscal Year 2026, July 1, 2025-June 30, 2026 (City Manager Strickler)

Passed on the consent agenda.

Item 10.2. - *Introduction Of Ordinance 26-07: Authorizing The Designation Of Riverview Park, As A Community Dog Park (Community Parks And Recreation Committee)

Passed on the consent agenda.

Item 10.3. - *Resolution 26-03: Resolution Certifying The Annual Financial Statement Of Revenues And Authorized Expenditures For The Fiscal Year Ending June 30, 2025 (City Manager Strickler)

Passed on the consent agenda.

Item 10.4. - AM 26-05: Direct Administration To Commit Up To \$53,200 To Secure Two (2) Jesuit Volunteer Corp NW/ Americorps Participants To Serve Within The Community Parks & Recreation Department (City Manager Strickler)

Main Motion: Approve AM 26-05.

Moved by: Mark Springer
Seconded by: Kelsi Kime
In favor: Mark Springer, Kelsi Kime, Greg Schiedler, Rose Henderson, Pamela Conrad, Alicia Miner
Opposed: None
Results: Motion Carries

Item 10.5. - *AM 26-06: Authorize The City Manager To Negotiate And Execute A Contract With AXON For Taser And Body Camera Equipment For Five Years (City Manager Strickler)

Main Motion: Approve AM 26-06.

Moved by: Kelsi Kime
Seconded by: Alicia Miner
In favor: Mark Springer, Kelsi Kime, Greg Schiedler, Rose Henderson, Pamela Conrad, Alicia Miner
Opposed: None
Results: Motion Carries

Item 10.6. - *IM 26-03: Documentation That The Bethel City Council Received And Reviewed The Full Financial Budget Report And Water & Wastewater Activity Report For The Month Of February 2026 (City Manager Strickler)

Passed on the consent agenda.

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- Slow down at the school zone; stay within the speed limit. With the warm weather, the river road is getting bad. Be mindful when driving on it. It would be fantastic to have the committees and commissions full; please apply if interested.

Council Member Miner- Reminder that the Cama'i Dance Festival is this weekend; they are still looking for volunteers. Appreciates the increase of information about the city getting to the public on the Facebook page. Recognized the Police Officer who is leaving the city; thank you for serving our community.

Council Member Conrad- The City is in desperate need for members to join committees.

Council Member Springer- Appreciated the twitter post about upcoming election information. Recognized the people who have been hauling freight on the river to help communities to rebuild from Typhoon Halong. Hopes the warming trend continues.

Council Member Kime- Many committees need members; please apply if interested.

Council Member Schiedler- The Finance committee is having problems reaching a quorum. If you are interested in serving the community, now is a good time to join.

13. EXECUTIVE SESSION

Item 13.1. - 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 Strickler)

Main Motion: Move into Executive Session in Accordance With AS 44.62.310.(C)(3) Matters Which By Law, Municipal Charter, Or Ordinance Are Required To Be Confidential. Those attending this item will be City Manager Strickler, City Clerk Morgan, City Attorney Bakalar, Human Resource Director Laura Cloward, and Finance Director Nella Poquette.

Moved by:	Mark Springer
Seconded by:	Alicia Miner
In favor:	Mark Springer, Kelsi Kime, Greg Schiedler, Rose Henderson, Pamela Conrad, Alicia Miner
Opposed:	None
Results:	Motion Carries

*Entered Executive Session at 7:34 pm
Exited Executive Session at 8:07 pm*

14. ADJOURNMENT

Main Motion: Adjournment.

Moved by:	Mark Springer
Seconded by:	Greg Schiedler
In favor:	Mark Springer, Kelsi Kime, Greg Schiedler, Rose Henderson, Pamela Conrad, Alicia Miner
Opposed:	None
Results:	Motion Carries

Meeting ended at 8:07 p.m.

ATTEST:



Kevin Morgan,
City Clerk


Rose Henderson, Mayor

MAYOR HENDERSON
BETHEL, ALASKA

Minutes approved on:
April 14, 2026