

1. CALL TO ORDER

A Regular Meeting of the Bethel City Council was held on December 10, 2019 at 6:30 p.m., in the Council chambers, Bethel, Alaska.

Vice-Mayor Hanson 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:
Council Member Fred Watson Vice-Mayor Haley Hanson Council Member Alyssa Leary (telephonically) Council Member Mark Springer Council Member Michelle DeWitt Mayor Perry Barr (arrived after roll call at 8:12 pm)
Members Absent:
Council Member Cece Franko
Also in attendance were the following:
Acting City Manager Bill Howell, City Clerk Lori Strickler

4. PEOPLE TO BE HEARD – Five minutes per person

Gary Decossas- Provided concerns related to the City Council's actions at the last City Council Meeting concerning Ordinance 19-21.

Don Black- Spoke in opposition to the Council's adoption of Ordinance 19-21.

5. APPROVAL OF CONSENT AGENDA AND REGULAR AGENDA

Main Motion: Approve the Consent and Regular Agenda.

Moved by: | Mark Springer

Seconded by:	Michelle DeWitt
In favor:	Fred Watson, Haley Hanson, Alyssa Leary, Mark Springer, Michelle DeWitt
Opposed:	None
Results:	Motion Carries

Amend to Move New Business Item 9.1 to follow New Business Item 10.12.

Moved by:	Michelle DeWitt
Seconded by:	Mark Springer
In favor:	Fred Watson, Haley Hanson, Alyssa Leary, Mark Springer, Michelle DeWitt
Opposed:	None
Results:	Motion Carries

Remove 10.2 from the consent agenda- Watson.

6. APPROVAL OF MEETING MINUTES

Item 6.1. - *11-12-2019 Regular City Council Meeting Minutes
Passed on the consent agenda.

7. REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES

Item 7.1. - Committee/Commission Agendas And Draft Meeting Minutes
Port Commission, Council Member Watson- A meeting was not held due to a lack of a quorum.

Planning Commission, Vice- Mayor Hanson- The Planning Commission will meet this Thursday. At their last meeting, the commission considered a special hearing.

Community Action Grant Technical Review Board- No one available to provide a report.

Parks, Recreation, Aquatic Health and Safety Center Committee, Council Member DeWitt- A meeting was not held due to a lack of a quorum.

Finance Committee- No one available to provide a report.

Public Works Committee, Council Member Leary- A meeting has not be been held

due to a lack of a quorum.

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

8. SPECIAL ORDER OF BUSINESS

Item 8.1. - Recognizing Recently Certified First Responders (Mayor Barr)

Item 8.2. - Proclamation Recognizing City Clerk, Lori Strickler, For Excellent Performance (Mayor Barr, Council Member Dewitt)

9. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Item 9.1. - Public Hearing Of Budget Ordinance 19-11 (k): Amending The City Of Bethel Fiscal Year 2020 Budget (Acting City Manager Howell)

Mayor Barr opened the Public Hearing.

No one present to be heard.

Mayor Barr closed the Public Hearing.

Main Motion: Adopt Budget Ordinance 19-11(k).

Moved by:	Michelle DeWitt
Seconded by:	Mark Springer
In favor:	Fred Watson, Haley Hanson, Alyssa Leary, Mark Springer, Michelle DeWitt
Opposed:	None
Results:	Motion Carries

Item 9.2. - Public Hearing Of Ordinance 19-22: Amending Chapter 13.16.150 Of The Bethel Municipal Code, To Establish A Rate For Six Yard Dumpsters (Public Works Committee)

Mayor Barr opened the Public Hearing.

No one present to be heard.

Mayor Barr closed the Public Hearing.

Main Motion: Adopt Ordinance 19-22.

Moved by:	Mark Springer
Seconded by:	Michelle DeWitt
In favor:	Fred Watson, Haley Hanson, Alyssa Leary, Mark Springer, Michelle DeWitt
Opposed:	None
Results:	Motion Carries

10. NEW BUSINESS

Item 10.2. - *Introduction Of Ordinance 19-11(I): An Ordinance Amending The City Of Bethel Fiscal Year 2020 Budget-Heat Trace Meter (Acting City Manager Howell)
Passed on the consent agenda.

Item 10.3. - *Resolution 19-16: City Of Bethel Priorities For The FY 2021 State Of Alaska Capital Budget (Acting City Manager Howell)

Main Motion: Adopt Resolution 19-16.

Moved by:	Mark Springer
Seconded by:	Michelle DeWitt
In favor:	Fred Watson, Haley Hanson, Alyssa Leary, Mark Springer, Michelle DeWitt
Opposed:	None
Results:	Motion Carries

Amend the priorities to move priority 1 to be the Public Works Building Repairs and item 2 to be Construction of C Loop.

Moved by:	Fred Watson
Seconded by:	Mark Springer
In favor:	Fred Watson, Haley Hanson, Alyssa Leary, Mark Springer, Michelle DeWitt
Opposed:	None
Results:	Motion Carries

Item 10.4. - *AM 19-75: Appointment Of Committee/Commission/Board Member. Leif Albertson-Board Of Ethics. Dolena Fox- Public Safety And Transportation Commission (Mayor Barr)
Passed on the consent agenda.

Item 10.5. - AM 19-76: Allow Action Memorandums That Authorize The City

Manager To Negotiate And Execute Purchase Agreements And Contracts To Be Placed On The List Of Approved Consent Agenda Items For Bethel City Council Meetings (Mayor Barr)

Main Motion: Approve AM 19-76.

Moved by:	Mark Springer
Seconded by:	Michelle DeWitt
In favor:	Fred Watson, Haley Hanson, Alyssa Leary, Mark Springer, Michelle DeWitt
Opposed:	None
Results:	Motion Carries

Item 10.6. - AM 19-77: Lease Amendment Number 11 With The State Of Alaska, Division Of Motor Vehicles, To Include In The Property Description Three Parking Spaces (Acting City Manager Howell)

Main Motion: Approve AM 19-77.

Moved by:	Mark Springer
Seconded by:	Michelle DeWitt
In favor:	Fred Watson, Haley Hanson, Alyssa Leary, Mark Springer, Michelle DeWitt
Opposed:	None
Results:	Motion Carries

Item 10.7. - *AM 19-78: Re-Appointment Of Committee And Commission Members For A Term Of Three Years (Mayor Barr)

Passed on the consent agenda.

Item 10.8. - AM 19-79: Authorizing Administration's Donation Of City Surplus Equipment, A Convection Oven To Orutsarmiut Native Council, Senior Services Meals On Wheels (Vice- Mayor Hanson)

Main Motion: Approve AM 19-79.

Moved by:	Mark Springer
Seconded by:	Alyssa Leary
In favor:	Fred Watson, Haley Hanson, Alyssa Leary, Mark Springer, Michelle DeWitt
Opposed:	None

Results: | Motion Carries

Item 10.9. - AM 19-80: Public Transit (5311) Grant Application To Fund The Operation Of The Bethel Transit System With \$79,198 In Local Cash Match From The City's FY 2021 Budget (Acting City Manager Howell)

Main Motion: Approve AM 19-80.

Moved by:	Michelle DeWitt
Seconded by:	Fred Watson
In favor:	Fred Watson, Haley Hanson, Alyssa Leary, Mark Springer, Michelle DeWitt
Opposed:	None
Results:	Motion Carries

Item 10.10. - AM 19-81: Issue Checks Totaling \$33,975 To Year 2, Quarter 4 Community Action Grant Awardees (Acting City Manager Howell)

Council Member Michelle DeWitt declared a conflict of interest as she is the director of the Bethel Community Services Foundation.
Vice-Mayor Hanson rules Council Member DeWitt has a conflict of interest.
Council Member DeWitt did not participate in debate or voting on the matter.

Main Motion: Approve AM 19-81.

Moved by:	Mark Springer
Seconded by:	Fred Watson

Postpone.

Moved by:	Mark Springer
Seconded by:	Fred Watson
In favor:	Fred Watson, Haley Hanson, Alyssa Leary, Mark Springer
Opposed:	None
Results:	Motion Carries

Item 10.11. - *Personal Leave- City Clerk- Intermittent Personal Time Off, December 23rd - January 8th (Mayor Barr)
Passed on the consent agenda.

Item 10.12. - *Personal Leave- City Manager- December 13th (Mayor Barr)

Passed on the consent agenda.

Item 10.13. - *IM 19-13: Presentation Of The City's Water and Sewer Services Expenditures Compared To Budget From July 1, 2019 To November 30, 2019 – Utilities Maintenance – Water and Wastewater Activity Report (Acting City Manager Howell)

Passed on the consent agenda.

Item 10.1. - Motion To Reconsider Ordinance 19-21: Authorizing The Disposal Of Lot 4, Block 15, USS 3230 A&B, Bethel Recording District 4th Judicial District (781 Third Ave.) Pursuant To BMC 4.08.030 (d), Disposal To Compromise Claim (Vice-Mayor Hanson)

Motion for a ten minute break.

Moved by:	Mark Springer
Seconded by:	Alyssa Leary
In favor:	Fred Watson, Haley Hanson, Alyssa Leary, Mark Springer, Michelle DeWitt
Opposed:	None
Results:	Motion Carries

Mayor Barr arrived at the meeting at 8:12 pm

Motion to reconsider Ordinance 19-21.

Moved by:	Haley Hanson
Seconded by:	Alyssa Leary
In favor:	Haley Hanson, Alyssa Leary, Mark Springer, Michelle DeWitt, Perry Barr
Opposed:	Fred Watson
Results:	Motion Carries

Note: Motion to adopt on this Ordinance was made on November 12, 2019 by Leary and seconded by Franko. After the motion to reconsider was passed on December 10, 2019, another motion to adopt this Ordinance was made.

Main Motion: Adopt Ordinance 19-21.

Moved by:	Haley Hanson
Seconded by:	Alyssa Leary
In favor:	Haley Hanson, Alyssa Leary, Mark Springer, Michelle DeWitt, Perry Barr
Opposed:	Fred Watson
Results:	Motion Carries

Primary Amendment: Amend Section 2 to insert "The City Manager is authorized to

negotiate and execute the "Purchase Sale and Settlement Agreement" for municipal land described as Lot 4, Block 15, USS 3230 A&B, Bethel Recording District, to the Purchaser Essenkay" in front of "pursuant to Bethel Municipal Code 4.08.030 (D) "Disposal to Compromise Claim."

Moved by:	Haley Hanson
Seconded by:	Mark Springer

In favor:	Fred Watson, Haley Hanson, Alyssa Leary, Mark Springer, Michelle DeWitt, Perry Barr
Opposed:	None
Results:	Motion Carries

Secondary Amendment: To amend to insert direction that in the process of negotiation Administration includes any easements and setbacks that the City deems necessary for public Safety.

Moved by:	Mark Springer
Seconded by:	Alyssa Leary

In favor:	Fred Watson, Haley Hanson, Alyssa Leary, Mark Springer, Michelle DeWitt, Perry Barr
Opposed:	None
Results:	Motion Carries

11. REPORTS

Item 11.1. - Mayor's Report

Mayor Perry- Congratulated Council Member Fred Watson on his election to the AML Board.

Item 11.2. - City Manager's Report

Item 11.3. - Clerk's Report

12. COUNCIL MEMBER COMMENTS

Mayor Barr-

Bethel Search and Rescue has been marking trails for a while, there are a lot of open holes around the region; please be careful when traveling. Provided condolences to the Venus family for their loss. Thanked Vice-Mayor Hanson for covering the meeting, the weather in Anchorage prevented flights out.

Vice-Mayor Hanson-

Congratulated all of our public safety team, and congratulated Lori Strickler for her award and Fred Watson for his election. Thanked the Public for speaking at tonight's meeting.

Council Member Watson-

Special thank you to Lori Strickler for her hard work, and Bill for all of his work. Extended condolences to the Venus family for their loss. Thanked VFW for their \$80,000 donation to Bethel Search and Rescue. Thanked Alyssa for taking the time to iron-on the reflective tape for Bethel Search and Rescue.

Council Member Leary-

Congratulations to the new Certified police officer, Officer Evan. It is awesome to have local people on the team. Congratulations to the fire department volunteers. Congratulated Lori Strickler for her work for our community and the City. Congratulations to Fred on his AML Election.

Council Member Springer-

Remembrance of Elias Venus; treasured the memories of him. The weather continues to be really strange; be careful traveling out there. Tonight was a difficult meeting for all of us; appreciates Council Member Watson's vote on the last item.

Council Member DeWitt-

There is a notice of local option option summary on the last page of the packet.

13. EXECUTIVE SESSION

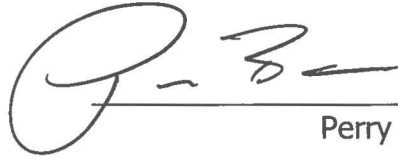
Item 13.1. - AS 44.62.310 (c) (1) Matters, The Immediate Knowledge Of Which Would Clearly Have An Adverse Effect Upon The Finances Of The Public Entity - Potential Litigation Essenkay (Mayor Barr)

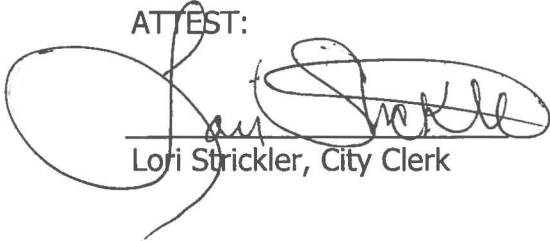
14. ADJOURNMENT

Main Motion: Adjournment.

Moved by:	Mark Springer
Seconded by:	Haley Hanson
In favor:	Fred Watson, Haley Hanson, Alyssa Leary, Mark Springer, Michelle DeWitt, Perry Barr
Opposed:	None
Results:	Motion Carries

Meeting ended at 9:10 p.m.


Perry Barr, Mayor

ATTEST:

Lori Strickler, City Clerk