

1. CALL TO ORDER

A Regular Meeting of the Bethel City Council was held on February 23, 2021 at 6:30 p.m. in the Council chambers, Bethel, Alaska.

Mayor DeWitt 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 Conrad McCormick (telephonically) City Council Member Rose Henderson (telephonically) Mayor Michelle DeWitt (telephonically) City Council Member Mark Springer (telephonically) City Council Member Alyssa Leary (telephonically) Vice-Mayor Haley Hanson (telephonically) City Council Member Perry Barr (telephonically)
Members Absent:
Also in attendance were the following:
Interim City Manager Peter Williams (telephonically), City Clerk Lori Strickler (telephonically), City Attorney Libby Bakalar (telephonically)

4. PEOPLE TO BE HEARD – Five minutes per person

No one present to be heard.

Item 4.1. - Notice: Public Testimony By Email Will Be Accepted.

To Qualify, It Must:

- 1) Be Emailed To cityclerk@cityofbethel.net By 4pm The Day Of The Meeting.
- 2) Specifically Request That It Is To Be Read At People To Be Heard.
- 3) Contain The Full, Real Name Of The Person Sending It.

Note: Depending On The Amount Of Emails Received, The Mayor May Summarize The Content Of The Email.

Nicole Baski submitted an email concerning the Standard Oil Road entry way from the river to the land. She brought up the history of accidents in that area and the recent accident which resulted in a death and serious injury. A steep slope, fast traveling vehicles, and a rocky corner which obscures traffic, present a safety hazard in that area. She recommends closing the entry way on the top and bottom with a fence/gate, posting signs to slow down traffic, or installing a mirror in the area to enable oncoming traffic to see each other.

5. APPROVAL OF CONSENT AGENDA AND REGULAR AGENDA

Main Motion: Approve the Consent and Regular Agenda.

Moved by:	Haley Hanson
Seconded by:	Alyssa Leary
In favor:	Perry Barr, Haley Hanson, Alyssa Leary, Mark Springer, Michelle DeWitt, Rose Henderson, Conrad McCormick
Opposed:	None
Results:	Motion Carries

6. APPROVAL OF MEETING MINUTES

Item 6.1. - *2-9-2021 Regular City Council Meeting
Passed on the consent agenda.

7. REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES

Item 7.1. - Committee/Commission/Board Agendas And Draft Meeting Minutes

Port Commission, Council Member Springer- The commission received a training from the City Clerk's Office.

Planning Commission, Vice-Mayor Hanson- Reviewed and prioritized nuisance and blight properties. There were six in total that have been identified as blight properties. The next meeting will be held on March 11th.

Community Action Grant Technical Review Board, Council Member Barr- Provided an explanation of what the community action grant is to the public. The Community Action Grant deadline is February 28th.

Parks, Recreation, Aquatic Health and Safety Center Committee, Mayor DeWitt- A meeting has not been held since the last city council meeting. Next meeting will be March 8th.

Finance Committee, Council Member McCormick- The Finance Committee met last evening. They welcomed four new members and elected Carol Ann Willard as Chair and Robert Rey as Vice-chair.

Public Works Committee, Council Member Leary- A meeting was not held due to a lack of agenda posting. The committee will hold a special meeting on Thursday, February 25th.

Public Safety and Transportation Commission, Council Member Henderson- Nothing to report.

8. SPECIAL ORDER OF BUSINESS

9. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Item 9.1. - Public Hearing Of Budget Ordinance 20-12 (i): Amending The City Of Bethel Fiscal Year 2021 Budget- Supervisory Control And Data Acquisition (SCADA) System- Water Main Extension And Truck Fill Port- Leased Property Court Complex (Interim City Manager Williams)

Mayor DeWitt opened the Public Hearing.

No one present to be heard.

Mayor Dewitt closed the Public Hearing.

Main Motion: Adopt Budget Ordinance 20-12(i).

Moved by:	Alyssa Leary
Seconded by:	Rose Henderson
In favor:	Perry Barr, Haley Hanson, Alyssa Leary, Mark Springer, Michelle DeWitt, Rose Henderson, Conrad McCormick
Opposed:	None
Results:	Motion Carries

10. NEW BUSINESS

Item 10.1. - Emergency Ordinance 21-06: Repealing And Replacing Ordinance 21-05 Testing And Quarantine Mandates And Adopting Mandates That Allow For Quarantine Exemptions If The Traveler Has Received The Recommended COVID-19 Vaccination (Mayor DeWitt)

Mayor DeWitt opened the Public Hearing.

No one present to be heard.

Mayor DeWitt closed the Public Hearing.

Main Motion: Adopt Emergency Ordinance 21-06.

Moved by:	Haley Hanson
Seconded by:	Conrad McCormick
In favor:	Perry Barr, Haley Hanson, Alyssa Leary, Mark Springer, Michelle DeWitt, Rose Henderson, Conrad McCormick
Opposed:	None
Results:	Motion Carries

Item 10.2. - *Resolution 20-02: Supporting The Bethel Main Runway Reconstruction Project No. CFAPT00430 (Interim City Manager Williams)

Passed on the consent agenda.

Item 10.3. - AM 21-06: Refer To The Public Safety And Transportation Commission The Evaluation And Development Of A Full-Time Position Within The Police Department For Animal Control (Council Member Leary)

Main Motion: Approve 21-06.

Moved by:	Alyssa Leary
Seconded by:	Conrad McCormick
In favor:	Perry Barr, Haley Hanson, Alyssa Leary, Mark Springer, Michelle DeWitt, Rose Henderson, Conrad McCormick
Opposed:	None
Results:	Motion Carries

Item 10.4. - *Personal Leave Request- City Attorney- February 18, 2021 (Mayor DeWitt)

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 DeWitt- No comment.

Vice-Mayor Hanson- No comment.

Council Member Barr- No comment.

Council Member Leary- If you have not received your COVID-19 vaccination, take advantage of the free shot and encourage your friends and family members as well.

Council Member Springer- Recognized the passing of Katie Hurley, the Chief Clerk to the Alaska Constitutional Convention. If you are going fishing, take care of the community and pick up your trash.

Council Member Henderson- Reiterated to everyone, please get your vaccination. Enjoy this warm weather. Thanked administration for all their hard work.

Council Member McCormick- Currently, there are only 47 active cases of COVID-19 in the Delta. Thanked everyone for all their hard work and dedication; it is making a difference. If you are out and enjoying the winter weather on a snow-machine, learn some of the trails. It is safer to use the trails than to drive on the side of the road.

13. EXECUTIVE SESSION

14. ADJOURNMENT

Main Motion: Adjournment.

Moved by:	Haley Hanson
Seconded by:	Mark Springer
In favor:	Perry Barr, Haley Hanson, Alyssa Leary, Mark Springer, Michelle DeWitt, Rose Henderson, Conrad McCormick
Opposed:	None
Results:	Motion Carries

Meeting ended at 7:52 p.m.



Michelle DeWitt, Mayor

ATTEST:



Lori Strickler, City Clerk

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