



CITY OF NORTH POLE *Alaska*

REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING **Monday, January 5, 2015**

Committee of the Whole – 6:30 p.m.
Regular City Council Meeting – 7:00 p.m.

MAYOR

Bryce Ward 888-4444

CITY CLERK

Kathy Weber, MMC 488-8583

COUNCIL MEMBERS

Michael Welch- <i>Mayor Pro Tem</i>	488-5834
Sharron Hunter- <i>Dep Mayor Pro Tem</i>	978-5591
Elizabeth Holm – <i>Alt Dep Mayor Pro Tem</i>	488-6125
Kevin McCarthy-	590-0800
Thomas McGhee-	455-0010
Preston Smith -	488-8824

1. **Call to Order/Roll Call**
2. **Pledge of Allegiance to the US Flag**
3. **Invocation**
4. **Approval of the Agenda**
5. **Approval of the Minutes**
6. **Communications from the Mayor**
7. **Council Member Questions of the Mayor**
8. **Communications from Department Heads, Borough Representative and the City Clerk**

9. Ongoing Projects Report

10. Citizens Comments (Limited to Five (5) minutes per Citizen)

11. Old Business

- a. Ordinance 14-29, An ordinance amending Title 8 – Health & Safety, Section 04.160 – Disturbing the Peace

12. New Business

- a. Resolution 15-01, A Resolution supporting the reinstatement of a full \$60 million into the revenue sharing fund on a yearly basis with a one year appropriation of \$8 million to the fund with an effective date prior to June 30, 2015.
- b. Resolution 15-02, A Resolution supporting the State of Alaska's continued commitment to keep PERS contributions at 22% of salary for municipalities.
- c. Resolution 15-03, A resolution in support of the Fairbanks Metropolitan Area Transportation System (FMATS) request for transportation funding for fiscal year 2016
- d. Resolution 15-04, A resolution suggesting the Alaska department of transportation and public facilities (AKDOT&PF) increase the speed limit on the Richardson Highway to 65 miles an hour from mile post 341 to 361
- e. Resolution 15-05, A Resolution establishing the City of North Pole legislative priorities for the 29th legislature, 2015 spring session
- f. Resolution 15-06, A Resolution of the City of North Pole, Alaska Distributing the 2015 City of North Pole Bed Tax Grant funds and rescinding Resolution 14-21

14. Executive Session

- a. City Clerk evaluation

13. Council Comments

14. Adjournment

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**Committee of the Whole – 6:30 P.M.
Regular City Council Meeting – 7:00 P.M.**

A regular meeting of the North Pole City Council was held on Monday, December 15, 2014 in the Council Chambers of City Hall, 125 Snowman Lane, North Pole, Alaska.

CALL TO ORDER/ROLL CALL

Mayor Ward called the Executive Session to order at Monday, December 15, 2014 to order at 5:09 p.m.

There were present:

**Ms. Holm
Ms. Hunter
Mr. McCarthy
Mr. McGhee
Mr. Smith
Mr. Welch
Mayor Ward**

Absent/Excused

CALL TO ORDER/ROLL CALL

Mayor Ward called the regularly scheduled meeting of the North Pole City Council to order on Monday, December 15, 2014 at 7:00 p.m.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE TO THE U.S. FLAG

Led by Mayor Ward
National Anthem sung by NPMS Choir members –

INVOCATION

Invocation was given by Ms. Holm

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Mr. McGhee *moved to Approve the Agenda of December 15, 2014*

Seconded by Mr. Welch

Discussion

None

Mr. McGhee *moved to consent the following item:*

- a. Ordinance 14-29, An ordinance amending Title 8 – Health & Safety, Section 04.160 – Disturbing the Peace
- c. Resolution 14-22, A Resolution affirming the priorities of the Interior Gas Utility that looks to the Governor and State Legislator to provide the leadership and necessary financial assistance to achieve the goals of \$15 mcf gas to North Pole and the Interior of Alaska

Seconded by Mr. Welch

Discussion

None

On the Amendment

Yes: 7 - Holm, McGhee, Welch, McCarthy, Smith, Hunter, Ward

No: 0-

Absent: 0

On the main motion as amended

PASSED

Yes: 7- McGhee, Holm, Welch, McCarthy, Smith, Hunter, Ward

No: 0

Absent: 0

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Mr. Welch moved that to approve the minutes of 11-24-14 and 12-01-2014

Seconded by Mr. McGhee

Discussion

None

PASSED

Yes: 7 – McGhee, Welch, Holm, Smith, Hunter, McCarthy, Ward

No: 0

Absent: 0

COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE MAYOR

- *Service Awards – Randy Binkley 5 years, Billy Bellant 15 years, Paul Trissel 15 years, Steve Dutra 15 years.*
- *Bill of Rights – Mr. Wade's 5th grade class*

December 2nd was the multi-jurisdictional meeting on marijuana. The meeting was well attended by members of the public and elected officials. The meeting was informative and I believe will help set the direction for marijuana regulations for the interior.

December 4th I was honored to meet General Lori Robinson, the new PACAF commander. We had a candid discussion on Eielson, F-16's, F-35's and the future of the base. The General admitted that the Air Force will be looking for ways to make cuts and still maintain the readiness that is needed for our country's defense which may mean looking at how we operate and how we can do it differently.

December 6th was the North Pole Winterfest (also the first day McDonalds was open). The fireworks were amazing and the bazaar in the mall was well attended. The Chamber said they had almost 50 vendors and lots of people came through.

December 7th was the Candle Lighting Ceremony at the high school. Special thanks to the Chamber for putting that event on and to Councilman McGhee for being the MC. Sunday was also the Tree Lighting here at City Hall. We had a great time decorating the tree with 4-5 inch Christmas ornaments and putting the angel on the tree (with special help from the fire department). The warming fires were a special hit and so were the carols, even though we were way out of key.

December 9th I was on the radio show "Problem Corner" on KFAR and will be going on every 2nd Tuesday of the month to help answer people's questions about North Pole. It is a effective way to be able to address the concerns of folks in the community and provide information.

December 10th was a Fire-EMS meeting with the Fairbanks North Star Borough. Although there was no public comment period I did attend with Fire Chief Buddy Lane. The borough is interested in changing the way Fire and EMS service is provided in the borough and is trying to figure out the best way to move forward. The assembly has planned several meeting for January and I plan on attending.

December 13th was the ladder truck dedication and we were pleased to welcome former Lt. Governor Mead Treadwell to the ceremony. Representative Doug Isaacson was also present.

Saturday evening was the VIP reception for Christmas in Ice and my wife and I were able to tour the park with the leadership from Eielson AFB and our local representatives Tammie Wilson and Doug Isaacson.

Governor Walker is in town today and tomorrow, I actually just got back from welcoming the Governor to the interior at Ravens Landing. Tomorrow I have a mayors meeting with Governor Walker to discuss the interior and needs concerns. I plan on discussing the sulfolane contamination, refinery issues, revenue sharing and the Interior Gas Plan. If the council approves the resolution tonight I will present it to the Governor as well. I will also be at the Fairbanks Chamber of Commerce luncheon for Governor Walker Tuesday.

Tuesday December 16th at 3pm is also the ribbon cutting for the new North Pole McDonalds. Council and the public are welcome to attend. The ribbon cutting ceremony is brought to us by the Fairbanks Chamber of Commerce.

Tuesday evening I will be on Closing Comments on KJNP at 9pm to inform the public on the happenings of the City of North Pole.

Friday is Muffins with the Mayor from 8-10 am here at City Hall. Come and let's talk about North Pole and what your concerns-praises are.

Friday is also the Employee Christmas Potluck here at City Hall. If you are interested it will be from 11:30-1:30. Please bring your favorite side and come enjoy the festivities.

Christmas in Ice is open and the slides are super-fast. Last weekend they had over 1,900 military members and their families come through the gate. Special thanks to Petro-Star and Christmas in Ice Inc. for Military appreciation day. If you have questions about upcoming events please go to their website Christmasinice.org

Next week is Christmas and I am closing City Hall at noon on Christmas Eve. As usual we are closed Christmas Day.

COUNCIL MEMBER QUESTIONS OF THE MAYOR

COMMUNICATIONS FROM DEPARTMENT HEADS, BOROUGH REPRESENTATIVE AND THE CITY CLERK

Fire Department, Chief Lane

- Small fire inside City limits. They were making hash which exploded and did approximately \$80,000 in damage.

- Capped off the weekend with the dedication of the platform truck.
- Christmas squad is running and will continue until Christmas Day.

Police Department, Lt. Dutra

- We met the interior delegation today regarding capital projects.
- I attended the Executive Development training in Anchorage. Topics of discussion were Leadership and Supervision taught by (Ret) Chief Harry Dolan. Excellent class very helpful.
- Just hosted 1st line supervisor class also taught by Chief Harry Dolan. Excellent training we were able to send 6 people. Everyone gave class excellent reviews.
- I will be attending the 354th SFS Christmas Party on Friday. I am attending to show our support for our service men and women and to spend time with our comrades
- Want to wish each of you a Merry Christmas. I also want to thank you for all your support throughout the year.

Director of City Services, Bill Butler

- None

Borough Representative

- FNSB is looking at air quality.
- Informed FNSB of City of North Pole.

City Clerk, Kathy Weber

- City Hall has been very busy. We are down to only two people in the office until December 29th. Michelle Myhill has been helping out but is out with the flu. We are hoping she will be back by the end of the week.
- 10 days until Christmas.

ONGOING PROJECTS

- Mr. Welch represented the City of North Pole Carlos at the ceremony of the Ordination and Installation of the Most Reverend Chad W. Zielinski who was selected as the sixth Bishop of Fairbanks. Other distinguished clergy

members came to visit the City of North Pole while on their journey and were impressed by the warmth & kindness of the community.

- Mr. McGhee thanked Mr. Zastrow and NPCCC for the Winterfest and Candlelighting, tree lighting, and all the other festivities.

CITIZENS COMMENTS

Phil Zastrow –

Winterfest did go great. He said the festivities were wonderful and successful. Mr. Zastrow gave a gift to Mr. McGhee for being the MC at the Candlelighting ceremony.

OLD BUSINESS

None

NEW BUSINESS

RESOLUTION 14-21, A RESOLUTION ESTABLISHING THE 2015 CITY OF NORTH POLE BED TAX GRANT DISTRIBUTION

Mayor Ward explained the application process and how the numbers were determined for the Resolution.

Public Comment

Buzz Otis, 605 St. Nicholas Drive

Mr. Otis stated that he has been with the organization since its inception and has been an advocate of economic development. He also organizes dog racing events in the North Pole area. He spoke praises about Nadine Winters, Executive Director for NPEDC. He felt that it was important that NPEDC be consulted if the City of North Pole has concerns about what needs to be done.

Wes Madden, 71 St. Nicholas Drive

Mr. Madden echoed Mr. Otis' remarks on Ms. Winters. When the F35's came through he was very happy and stated that Ms. Winters was instrumental in getting them here. He asked if North Pole City Services allocation could be transferred to NPEDC. He believes in the future of North Pole and was disappointed in the allocation of bed tax funds for NPEDC. He asked the council to reallocate the funds from North Pole City Services to NPEDC which would at least get them up to around \$11,000 range and then they would be able to do something with that.

Mr. Welch asked about where the meetings for NPEDC are held.

Mr. Madden stated that they have a new website built and that he would notify council when the meetings would take place. He stated that the last meeting was held in North Pole.

Phil Zastrow,

Mr. Zastrow has been involved with NPCCC and they take on advertisements, operate a visitors center in North Pole, and do the Winterfest.

Mr. McGhee *moved to* approve Resolution 14-21, A Resolution establishing the 2015 City of North Pole bed tax grant distribution

Seconded *by* Mr. Welch

Discussion

Mr. McGhee *moved to* and the bed tax distribution as follows:

Organization	Amount:	Amend to:
NPEDC	2,586.45	0
NPCCC	5,832.25	13,818.33
Explore Fairbanks	8,882.25	13,818.33
North Pole Christmas in Ice	14,911.55	13,818.33
North Pole City Services	9,242.50	0

Seconded *by* Ms. Holm

Discussion

Mr. McGhee explained his amendment and how he saw the distribution of the funds. He felt this was more fair and equitable.

Ms. Holm said this will zero out the NPEDC and we are using the bed tax monies for tourism and she will support this. She doesn't want to see NPEDC go away but maybe they could be funded differently.

Ms. Hunter said that she felt the City Services was the most important and looks toward more activities. Christmas in Ice does a great job but she would like to see organizations do their own fundraising so the City of North Pole can use the monies to do their own activities. She said that if we don't take charge of our own economic development we'll just see the same things over and over again and that Explore Fairbanks does more than just advertise for Santa Claus House. She felt that Explore Fairbanks would still bring tourism out here even if the City of North Pole didn't fund it.

Mr. McCarthy said he is not in favor of it. He is disappointed in the way the bed tax distribution has gone. He said the council has spent more time on this line item than any other thing. He thinks that the council needs to come up with a better idea than to pit one organization against another.

Mr. Welch said he has some institutional knowledge of the organization and that you don't want to throw the baby out with the water. He said this is not enough money to make any of the organizations go out and do what the City of North Pole wants. He commented that Mr. Butler had said that if council doesn't fund his whole project then don't fund it at all. He urged caution and said that this could cost the city more money than they think. Mr. Welch gave an example of a small town in Kansas.

Mr. Smith said his comments reiterates what Mr. Welch said. He would like to see the monies reallocated to other agencies.

Mr. McGhee said that he remembered Mr. Butler's comments that if the council can't fund the whole thing, don't do anything at all.

Mayor Ward said that the council has set a process of how these monies are distributed. He didn't feel that this was a fair thing.

Ms. Hunter talked with Mr. Butler and she felt the money that was allocated for that the position could start when there was enough money (grants included) and could possibly start it in September or October. The money could always be reallocated if they found that the program could be run.

Mr. McCarthy said that he didn't vote on it and didn't feel it was fair.

Mr. Welch said that he also talked with Mr. Butler and he reiterated that it wasn't fully funded.

Mr. McGhee said that with respect with the NPEDC, the radius study took 6 years and was a modified census report. He said that the council doesn't want to fund the City with grants. The bed tax money is to promote and encourage economic development and Mr. Butler was quite clear that this was another hired employee. Council has been tasked to come up with the numbers. The City has given 50% of the bed tax over the years to NPEDC and there has been no economic development. He stated that this is not personal and the council needs to see return for their money.

Ms. Hunter agreed with some of the points on NPEDC and has been frustrated and dissatisfied. She said we do have a process in place and part of the discussion brings up the

fact that council may need to look closely at the process. When they did the scoring this time, there was no central criteria. She said they did a rating without getting any other comments from each other but that was the process. She said she agreed with the Mayor even though the process was flawed.

Mr. Welch said he was a little upset that he was not able to make a remark to the applicants. Council would have liked to spend more time by asking questions of the applicants.

Mayor Ward went back to the code and the ordinance that was passed back in August and the process that was set out for council to follow. He said that the council needs to be fair to all organizations.

On the Amendment

FAILED

Yes: 1 – McGhee

No: 6 – McCarthy, Smith, Holm, Hunter, Welch, Ward

Absent: 0

Mr. Welch *moved to* amend Resolution 14-21 by dividing the bed tax funds equally by the 4 remaining entities to \$10,361 each:

Organization	Amount:	Amend to:
NPEDC	2,586.45	10,361.00
NPCCC	5,832.25	10,361.00
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North Pole City Services	9,242.50	0

Seconded by Mr. McCarthy

Discussion

Mr. McGhee said in the word of fairness, you couldn't get more fair.

Mr. Welch said that Mr. McGhee said it all and we need to more closely monitor our form. He doesn't care what the City of Fairbanks does.

Mayor Ward stated that the council had the packets for 1 month in advance and could have talked with organizations.

Mr. Welch said he picked his up 3 weeks before but it's not the same thing as having someone come before you.

Mr. McCarthy said he was in favor.

Ms. Hunter said there was a resolution that they passed and now they are going against the code. It is spelled out how the organizations get their monies. She doesn't have a problem with the Resolution. She felt council needed to keep the numbers the same and decide how to divide the monies from City Services. She said they could legally get in trouble by not honoring their ordinances.

Mr. Smith said that he agreed with Mr. Welch but maybe we could ask them.

Ms. Holm asked if they could discuss line 134 in the bed tax process that was given out to each of the council members. She read the scoring section of the process that was given by the Mayor and said that they used a dollar amount instead of a point system. She doesn't want to see any events going away.

Mayor Ward said that this was based on the previous years audited amount.

Mr. McGhee said that the council would be tasked to do this process this year but that next year it would be given to a committee appointed by the Mayor. He said they have done this to the best of their ability and he doesn't understand what the mayor did with the scoring.

Ms. Hunter said that the council followed the ordinance, and that the council was the committee. The other thing was the 100 points works out the same way and the results are the same way. It's important to allocate the money based on the amounts the council came up with that they set aside at the workshop.

PASSED

Yes: 5 – Welch, McGhee, McCarthy, Smith, Holm

No: 2 – Hunter, Ward

Absent:0

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Mr. Welch *moved to* adjourn into executive session to discuss payroll issues in Administration.

Seconded by Mr. McGhee

Mayor Ward brought the meeting back to order at 9:55 p.m.

Mr. McGhee moved to Approve the action of the Mayor with payroll issues in Administration and move it back to November 29th payroll.

Seconded by Mr. Welch

PASSED

Yes: 7 – Hunter, Welch, McGhee, McCarthy, Smith, Holm, Ward

No: 0

Absent: 0

COUNCIL COMMENTS

Mr. McGhee thanked the council. He doesn't always agree with everything but appreciates their efforts and personal involvement. He is grateful for the opportunity to have served on the City Council for the past 4 years and looks forward to the next 3. Mr. McGhee wished everyone a Merry Christmas.

Mr. Welch was very proud and honored to represent the City of North Pole at the Ordination and Installation of the Most Reverend Chad W. Zielinski who was selected as the sixth Bishop of Fairbanks. He was proud about what the bishop said about our community and of how genuinely friendly we were. They enjoyed the ice park and North Pole food from Pagoda and spoke volumes of our City. During good times and bad times he feels they are still trying to do due diligence and keep mind of what we do. He will be giving everyone and give New year gifts. He is also having heart work done on Wednesday.

Ms. Holm said good night.

Ms. Hunter said congratulations to the catholic dioceses on their new bishop and new chapter in your church life. At the end of the year as Mr. McGee said what a great opportunity it is to be on the council and have diverse ideas and that it is in that fact that we have diverse ideas we get the best solutions and appreciates when we have different opinions and do so in a respectful manner. She wished everyone a Merry Christmas and Happy New Year.

Mr. Smith thanked Mr. Wades 5th grade class and the NPMS Choir for singing at our meetings. He is looking forward to North Pole growing and expanding. He wished everyone Merry Christmas and Happy New Year.

Mr. McCarthy like having the kids come in and do the Bill Of Rights and NPMS Choir. He would like to have the bed tax money distribution looked at. He said people need to look at this as a fun thing but it's like putting a piece of meat in a shark tank and people are unhappy and are

taking it personal. He has driven through the round a bouts and seen Buzz Otis out there taking care of the lights. We need to be able to announce what the distribution is and walk away. He doesn't agree with the process and have made people unhappy.

Mayor Ward wished everyone a Merry Christmas and appreciates the time the council gives to serve the City. Be safe over the holidays and see you next year.

ADJOURNMENT

Mr. McGhee adjourned the meeting at 9:57 p.m.

Seconded by Mr. Welch

The regular meeting of December 15, 2014 adjourned at 9:57 p.m.

These minutes passed and approved by a duly constituted quorum of the North Pole City Council on Monday, January 7, 2014.

Bryce J. Ward, Mayor

ATTEST:

Kathryn M. Weber, MMC
North Pole City Clerk



CITY OF NORTH POLE

Alaska

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The City of North Pole announces the beginning the Trooper Gabriel Rich and Trooper Scott Johnson Memorial Park fund raising and service outreach effort. This kick off is a call to action for any and all individuals, businesses or companies interested in contributing money, services or materials needed to construct the memorial park to be located in North Pole.

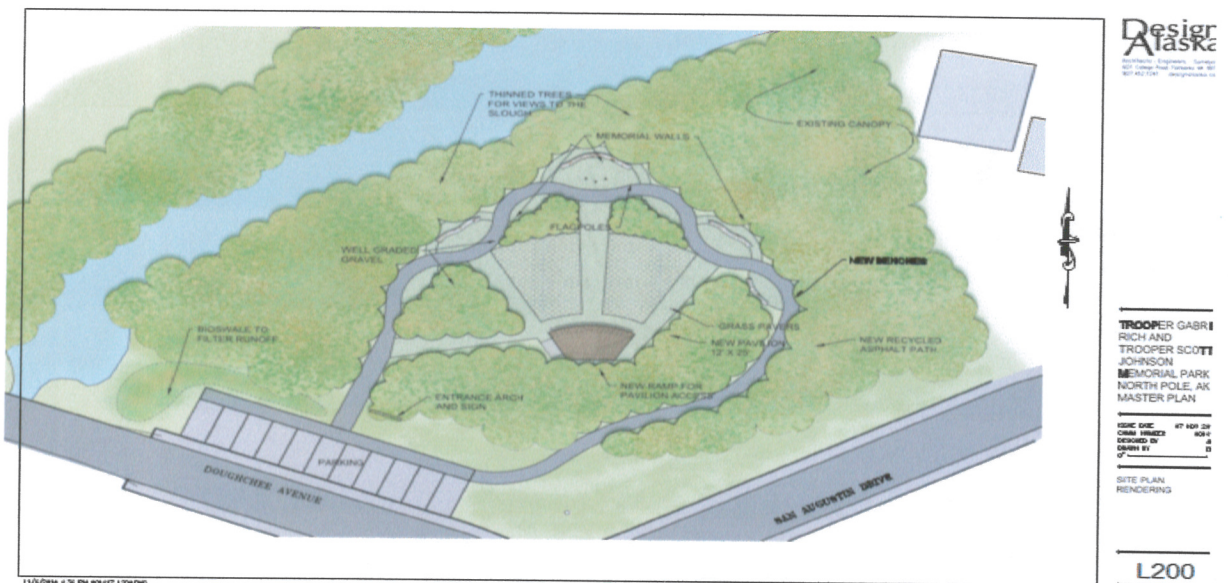
The City dedicated the memorial park on November 11, 2014 with the plan to break ground in spring 2015. The memorial park will be a place for citizens of the Fairbanks North Star Borough to remember those public servants, not just police officers, who have paid the ultimate price in service to their community. The site of the memorial park is 2870 Dougchee Avenue, North Pole. Augie Hebert originally donated the land to the City of North Pole for a memorial park.

The City's first priority is recruiting volunteers willing to contribute labor, skills and materials for site preparation and construction of the memorial park. The skills needed to construct the park include land clearing, site preparation, landscaping, masonry/cement work, electrical, carpentry, structural engineering, surveying and general labor. Materials

needed for the project include, but are not limited to, paving products, lumber, stone, landscape plants, and top soil.

The City's second priority is raising the funding necessary to construct and maintain the memorial park. The initial engineering design study estimated the cost to construct the memorial park at \$260,000. The more donated materials and labor contributed to the project, the lower the construction cost will be.

To make donations to the memorial park or to volunteer, please contact Chief Steve Dutra at memorialpark@northpolealaska.org. Phone number 907-488-6902 or address 125 Snowman Lane North Pole, AK 99705. Fax number 907-488-5299.



ORDINANCE 14-29

ORDINANCE 14-29, AN ORDINANCE AMENDING TITLE 8 – HEALTH & SAFETY, SECTION 04.160 – DISTURBING THE PEACE

WHEREAS, changes to the North Pole Municipal Code is a continually changing requirement; and

WHEREAS, the City of North Pole Municipal Code should be amended to conform to the requirements of the City; and

WHEREAS, the City of North Pole desires to give clarity to North Pole Municipal Code;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED by the Council of the City of North Pole:

Section 1. This ordinance is of a general and permanent nature and shall be codified.

Section 2. Title 8, Health and Safety, Nuisances, Chapter 8.04.160 disturbing the peace is hereby amended as follows [new text in *italicized red font*; deleted text in ~~striketrough font~~]:

8.04.160 Disturbing the peace.

A. A person commits the offense of disturbing the peace if ~~he~~:

1. ~~In a public place, repeatedly or continuously shouts, blows a horn, plays a musical or recording or amplifying instrument, or otherwise generates loud sound or noise with the intent to disturb or in reckless disregard of the peace and privacy of others.~~ *With intent to disturb the peace and privacy of another not physically on the same premises or with reckless disregard that the conduct is having that effect after being informed that it is having that effect, the person makes unreasonably loud noise.*
2. ~~In a private place, engages in the conduct described in subsection (A)(1) of this section, with the same intent or reckless disregard, after having been informed by another that the conduct is disturbing the peace and privacy of others not in the same place.~~ *In a public place or in a private place of another without consent, and with intent to disturb the peace and privacy of another or with reckless disregard that the conduct is having that effect after being informed that it is having that effect, the person makes unreasonable loud noise.*
3. Between the hours of 11:00 p.m. and 7:00 a.m., operates or uses a pile driver, pneumatic hammer, bulldozer, road grader, loader, power shovel, derrick, backhoe, power saw, manual hammer, motorcycle, snow machine or other instrument, appliance or vehicle which generates loud sounds or noise, after having been informed by another that such operations or use is disturbing the peace and privacy of others.

4. Keeps any dog or other animal which is allowed to engage in frequent or prolonged barking or other loud noise-producing activity, after having been informed by another that such frequent or prolonged barking or noise-producing activity is disturbing the peace and privacy of others.
5. Repeatedly or continuously sounds any horn or other sound-producing warning device on a motor vehicle when such repeated or continued sounding is not necessary to warn of any danger.
6. After being informed by a police officer that his conduct is in violation of this subsection (A), refuses to abate the prohibited activity.

B. ~~As used in subsections (A)(1) and (2) of this section:~~ *As used in this section, "noise" is "unreasonably loud" if, considering the nature and purpose of the defendant's conduct and the circumstances known to the defendant, including the nature of the location and the time of day or night, the conduct involves a gross deviation from the standard of conduct that a reasonable person would follow in the same situation. "Noise" does not include speech that is constitutionally protected*

1. "Loud sound" in a public place means sound which is loud enough to inhibit the ability of a not unduly sensitive person in the same place to speak freely without leaving the same place.
2. "Loud sound" in a private place means sound which is loud enough to awaken a not unduly sensitive person in another private place.
3. The inside and outside of buildings and separate residences within an apartment house, and separate rooms within a hotel, are different places.

C. ~~As used in subsections (A)(3) and (4) of this section, loud sound or loud noise is sound or noise which would awaken, or cause difficulty in sleeping for, the average, not unduly sensitive individual attempting to sleep in any house, apartment, hotel, motel or other residence in the vicinity of the sound or noise-producing activity.~~

D. The following sound or noise is not prohibited by this section:

1. Noise of safety signals, warning devices and emergency pressure relief valves when used for their warning or emergency purposes.
2. Noise produced by any authorized emergency vehicle when responding to an emergency call or when otherwise authorized by law or ordinance to activate its sirens or other warning devices.
3. Noises necessarily produced in the course of work required to protect persons or property from imminent peril.
4. Noise produced by any activity for which a permit has been issued pursuant to subsection (E) of this section.

E. Applications for a permit for relief from the application of this section to any activity on the basis of undue hardship may be made to the Mayor or his duly authorized representative. A nonrefundable application fee and a permit fee, as set forth in the City's schedule of fees and charges for services, will be charged for the City's processing of an application. Any permit granted by the Mayor under this subsection shall contain all conditions upon which such permit has been granted and shall specify a reasonable time that the permit shall be effective. The Mayor or duly authorized representative may grant the relief as applied for if he finds that:

1. Additional time is necessary for the applicant to alter or modify his activity or operation to comply with this section; or
2. The activity, operation or noise source will be of a temporary duration and cannot be done in a manner that would comply with other subsections of this section; and
3. No other reasonable alternative is available to the applicant.

However, the Mayor may prescribe any conditions or requirements he deems necessary to minimize adverse effects upon the community or the surrounding neighborhood. (Ord. 13-07 § 2, 2013)

Section 3. Effective date This ordinance shall be effective at 5:00 p.m. on the first City business day following its adoption.

PASSED AND APPROVED by a duly constituted quorum of the North Pole City Council this 5th day of January, 2015.

Bryce J. Ward, Mayor

ATTEST:

Kathryn M. Weber, MMC
North Pole City Clerk

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CITY OF NORTH POLE

RESOLUTION 15-01

**A RESOLUTION SUPPORTING THE ALLOCATION OF \$60 MILLION INTO THE
REVENUE SHARING FUND ON A YEARLY BASIS WITH A ONE YEAR
APPROPRIATION OF \$8 MILLION TO THE FUND WITH AND EFFECTIVE DATE
PRIOR TO JUNE 30, 2015**

WHEREAS, the Community Revenue Sharing Program is one of the most important sources of non-locally generated operating revenue for Alaska's communities; and

WHEREAS, municipalities are political subdivisions of the State of Alaska; and

WHEREAS, payments received by communities can be used at the discretion of the community for any public purpose as it is generally recognized that local residents are in the best position to determine the needs and priorities of their own communities; and

WHEREAS, the Community Revenue Sharing program helps to ensure that all areas of the state have stable local tax rates; and

WHEREAS, the Community Revenue Sharing program annually provides Alaska's boroughs, cities, and unincorporated communities with funds vital to the delivery of basic public services.

WHEREAS, boroughs and cities can only raise their own money through increased taxes and/or fees; and,

WHEREAS, the City of North Pole and all of Alaska's boroughs and cities are appreciative to the Governor and the Legislature for the continuation of the Revenue Sharing program; and

WHEREAS, at its inception, in 1985, the revenue sharing allocation was \$141,656,800; and

WHEREAS, since 2008, municipalities have received a total of \$60 million per year to be divided among all boroughs, cities and unorganized communities in the state; and

WHEREAS, in the 2014 legislative session, the amount deposited into the Revenue Sharing fund dropped to \$52 million; and,

WHEREAS, revenue sharing accounts for approximately \$200,000 in revenue to the City of North Pole; and,

WHEREAS, \$200,000 of revenue sharing equals .71 mills of property tax revenue to the City of North Pole.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the North Pole City Council request the Alaska State Legislature reinstate an annual appropriation of \$60 million into the Revenue Sharing fund

and that the Alaska State Legislature allocate and addition \$8 million to the fund to make up for funds not appropriated last year.

PASSED AND APPROVED by a duly constituted quorum of the North Pole City Council this 5th day of January, 2015.

Bryce J. Ward, Mayor

ATTEST:

Kathryn M. Weber, MMC
North Pole City Clerk

PASSED/FAILED

YES:

NO:

ABSENT:

CITY OF NORTH POLE

RESOLUTION 15-02

**A RESOLUTION SUPPORTING THE STATE OF ALASKA'S CONTINUED
COMMITMENT TO KEEP PERS CONTRIBUTION AT 22% OF SALARY FOR
MUNICIPALITIES.**

WHEREAS, through 2008 legislation, SB 125, municipalities were committed to paying a salary rate cap of 22% of salary to include current service cost and a portion of the unfunded PERS liability; and

WHEREAS, the passage of HB 385 deposited 3 billion dollars into the PERS/TRS fund; and

WHEREAS, the passage of HB 385 extended the duration of municipalities PERS contribution by nine years; and

WHEREAS, municipalities now will pay an additional 2.5 billion dollars into the PERS fund; and

WHEREAS, the City of North Pole understands that structural changes were needed to pay for the PERS unfunded liability; and

WHEREAS, the state's contribution to PERS continues to decrease from 31.9% in 2015 to 27.19% in 2016; and

WHEREAS, municipalities will see a cost increase under the current model while the state sees and additional savings of 1.4 billion dollars; and

WHEREAS, the state should not change the contribution for municipalities or its own contribution until the retirement fund has no more unfunded liability; and

WHEREAS, municipalities additionally must pay termination cost of a department or group or classification of employees that terminates participation under AS 39.35.625 to include the cost of a study and the payment of the past service cost into the plan for each payroll until the past service liability of the plan is extinguished (approximately 25 years); and

WHEREAS, municipalities are also obligated to pay if their salary floor drops below the 2008 floor; and

WHEREAS, with increasing cost to municipalities, reduced funding from the State and the Federal Government, municipalities find themselves in a difficult position of not being able to reduce their workforce, as it will trigger a termination study and or drop the municipality below the 2008 floor; and

WHEREAS, the State charges 12% interest on unpaid PERS related bills; and

WHEREAS, these circumstances leave many small communities facing PERS related bills that they will never be able to pay.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the North Pole City Council request the Alaska State Legislature honor their commitment to municipalities to keep PERS service cost at 22% of salary and that the State continue to work on a long term solution to onerous termination studies and PERS floor cost.

PASSED AND APPROVED by a duly constituted quorum of the North Pole City Council this 5th day of January, 2015.

Bryce J. Ward, Mayor

ATTEST:

Kathryn M. Weber, MMC
North Pole City Clerk

PASSED/FAILED YES: NO: ABSENT:

CITY OF NORTH POLE

RESOLUTION 15-03

**A RESOLUTION IN SUPPORT OF THE FAIRBANKS METROPOLITAN AREA
TRANSPORTATION SYSTEM (FMATS) REQUEST FOR TRANSPORTATION
FUNDING FOR FISCAL YEAR 2016**

WHEREAS, FMATS is the Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO) for the Fairbanks urbanized area and therefore receives federal highway funds for transportation planning and projects that improve the infrastructure for city residents; and

WHEREAS, FMATS federal transportation funds decreased by 30% in Fiscal Year 2013; and,

WHEREAS, FMATS has not received state funds in the past two years and this has impaired the MPO's ability to meet pressing transportation needs in the metropolitan area; and

WHEREAS, Anchorage, the only other MPO in the state, received over \$40 million in general funds in the FFY15 capital budget for transportation projects; and,

WHEREAS, FMATS will be unable to continue to improve the safety of its roads, prepare for economic opportunities and preserve the existing road system without state support; and

WHEREAS, FMATS has many projects in the cue that are short-funded due to the decrease in federal transportation funding to MPOs;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the North Pole City Council supports FMATS in their request for \$15 million from the State of Alaska for the development of projects in the approved Transportation Improvement Program (TIP).

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that copies of this resolution shall be sent to the Honorable Governor Bill Walker and the Interior Delegation.

PASSED AND APPROVED by a duly constituted quorum of the North Pole City Council this 5th day January, 2015.

Bryce J. Ward, Mayor

ATTEST:

Kathryn M. Weber, MMC
North Pole City Clerk

PASSED/FAILED

YES:

NO:

ABSENT:

CITY OF NORTH POLE

RESOLUTION 15-04

**A RESOLUTION SUGGESTING THE ALASKA DEPARTMENT OF
TRANSPORTATION AND PUBLIC FACILITIES (AKDOT&PF) INCREASE THE
SPEED LIMIT ON THE RICHARDSON HIGHWAY TO 65 MILES AN HOUR FROM
MILE POST 341 TO 361**

WHEREAS, the Richardson Highway is a double lane, separated highway from mile 341 to 361 with a speed limit of 55 miles per hour; and

WHEREAS, the Richardson Highway is a single lane, non-separated highway from approximately mile 275 to 341 with a speed limit of 65 miles per hour ; and

WHEREAS, mile post 341 starts at the divided highway in front of Eielson AFB; and

WHEREAS, mile post 361 is at the Richardson highway, George Parks-Robert Mitchell Expressway interchange; and,

WHEREAS, a large number of motorist already travel faster than 55mph on the Richardson Highway; and

WHEREAS, the Richardson Highway is part of the National Highway System; and

WHEREAS, Alaska Department of Transportation and Public Facilities (AKDOT&PF) has an established policy and procedures for determining if a different speed limit is appropriate; and,

WHEREAS, AKDOT&PF is committed to working with municipalities and community councils to ensure speed limits are appropriate for communities; and

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the North Pole City Council request the Alaska Department of Transportation and Public Facilities (AKDOT&PF) consider increasing the speed limit on the Richardson Highway from Eielson AFB to Fairbanks to 65 miles per hour.

PASSED AND APPROVED by a duly constituted quorum of the North Pole City Council this 5th day of January, 2015.

Bryce J. Ward, Mayor

ATTEST:

Kathryn M. Weber, MMC
North Pole City Clerk

PASSED/FAILED

YES:

NO:

ABSENT:

CITY OF NORTH POLE

RESOLUTION 15-05

**A RESOLUTION ESTABLISHING CITY OF NORTH POLE LEGISLATIVE PRIORITIES FOR
THE 29th LEGISLATURE 2015 SPRING SESSION**

WHEREAS, the City of North Pole considers resolutions through the year to support legislative and policy actions of the State and other local governments; and

WHEREAS, the City of North Pole is concerned with statewide and federal issues that affect the City and its residents; and

WHEREAS, the following list is a list of issues that the City feels are important to residents of the City of North Pole, State of Alaska and citizens of the United States;

#1 Priority, Reducing the high cost of energy in the State of Alaska, notably the Interior.

Reducing the high cost of energy in Alaska requires a short, mid and long term solution. A significant amount of work has been done already, but much work is still needed. Gas trucking received unanimous support from the 28th legislature for initial financing but additional support is needed to ensure this project comes to fruition. The City of North Pole supports the natural gas trucking project as a short to mid-term project and construction of a gas pipeline from the North Slope to local and statewide markets as a long term project.

Supporting Resolutions: City of North Pole Resolution 14-22 (\$15 natural gas to Interior);
Supporting Resolutions: City of North Pole Resolution 13-02 (natural gas & distribution to Interior);
Supporting Resolutions: City of North Pole Resolution 13-01 (natural gas pipeline);

#2 Priority, Encourage oil production, refining and other value added industries in Alaska.

The City of North Pole encourages the 29th Alaska State Legislature and the Walker administration to establish competitive investment opportunities through taxation and regulatory policies that will facilitate additional natural resource exploration, development and increased production (including viscous and heavy oils).

Alaska exports most of its natural resources without any value added processes. Encouraging development of value added industries will be a key to establishing stable and consistent economies the State of Alaska. Oil refining is one of the value added industries that is having a difficult time operating in our current economic condition. Some of the items that could be considered to alleviate the refinery issues are:

- reducing high cost of energy;
- addressing quality bank disparities;
- consider lower cost of AK royalty oil to instate refiners;

Supporting Resolution: City of North Pole Resolution 13-04 (Flint Hills Resources royalty oil contract)

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41 **#3 Priority, Support military personnel and installation structure in Alaska**

42 With force structure changes coming to all branches of the military, it is important that Alaska
43 lead the nation in supporting our military leader's ability to structure their forces to become as
44 efficient as possible. Energy consumption, base and post facility usefulness and community
45 support are important to achieving the maximum practicality from any installation. Supporting
46 additional missions and supporting force efficiency will be critical as our military looks to
47 maximize the utility of all installations across the country. Any legislative action to support our
48 military in Alaska will be critical to all installations and personnel. Continued support for Section
49 331 initiatives will help strengthen the mission in Alaska.

50 Supporting Resolution: City of North Pole Resolution 12-07 (unmanned aerial systems)

51 Supporting Resolution: City of North Pole Resolution 14-01 (F-35's at Eielson AFB)

52 **#4 Priority, Support swift resolutions to sulfolane related concerns and State liabilities in North**
53 **Pole, Alaska**

54 The City of North Pole is located 13 miles (21 km) to the southeast of Fairbanks on the
55 Richardson Highway and is approximately 4.5 square miles. According to the State of Alaska, the
56 City has just over 2,200 residents; however, the surrounding community has a population of over
57 20,000. The City is a Home Rule City inside the Fairbanks North Star Borough, a second class
58 borough.

59 Approximately half of the City is located above the sulfolane contaminated groundwater plume
60 that originates at the Flint Hills Resources North Pole Refinery site. The sulfolane contamination
61 plume extends beyond the City's boundaries affecting properties in the Fairbanks North Star
62 Borough. The plume is roughly 2.5 miles by 3 miles in size and up to 300 feet deep. Sulfolane
63 levels in the groundwater under the City (outside of the Flint Hills fence line) range from non-
64 detectable to 500 parts per billion (ppb) (500 mg/L).

65 In 2014 the State of Alaska filed a complaint against the current owners of the refinery, Flint Hills
66 Resources and the previous owners Williams Inc and Williams Alaska for sulfolane
67 contamination. In late 2014 the City of North Pole also filed a complaint against Flint Hills
68 Resources and the previous owner Williams Alaska. Over the past year the City has submitted
69 two proposals for a long term solution to previous Governor, Sean Parnell and Attorney General,
70 Michael Geraghty. The City is interested in a long term solution, preferably a piped water
71 system.

72 Supporting Resolution: City of North Pole Resolution 14-07 (sulfolane positions)

73 **Other issues:** The City has passed the following resolutions that have significance to State and Federal
74 legislative actions:

75 City of North Pole Resolution 12-03, A Resolution urging the Alaska legislature to refrain from
76 enacting any legislation that would increase the State's pension liability.

City of North Pole Resolution 14-03, A Resolution of The Council of the City Of North Pole, Alaska, supporting legislative action to adopt the recommendation contained in Resolution 13-01 of the Alaska Workers Compensation Board.

City of North Pole Resolution 14-17, Preserving a free and open internet.

City of North Pole Resolution 15-01, A Resolution supporting the allocation of \$60 million into the revenue sharing fund on a yearly basis with a one year appropriation of \$8 million to the fund with and effective date prior to June 30, 2015.

City of North Pole Resolution 15-02, A Resolution supporting the State of Alaska's continued commitment to keep PERS contribution at 22% of salary for municipalities.

City of North Pole Resolution 15-03, A Resolution in support of The Fairbanks Metropolitan Area Transportation System (FMATS) Request For Transportation Funding For Fiscal Year 2016

City of North Pole Resolution 15-04, A Resolution Suggesting The Alaska Department Of Transportation And Public Facilities (AKDOT&PF) Increase The Speed Limit On The Richardson Highway To 65 Miles An Hour From Mile Post 341 To 361

City Of North Pole Resolution 14-12, A Resolution Establishing The Trooper Gabe Rich And Trooper Scott Johnson Memorial Park On A City Property; Block 1 Lot 9 In The Morning Star Subdivision, To Honor Fairbanks North Star Borough Residents Who Have Died In The Line Of Duty While Serving Their Country, State Or Municipality.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the North Pole City Council request the 29th legislature consider timely and appropriate action on the issues mentioned.

PASSED AND APPROVED by a duly constituted quorum of the North Pole City Council this 5th day of January, 2015.

Bryce J. Ward, Mayor

ATTEST:

Kathryn M. Weber, MMC
North Pole City Clerk

PASSED/FAILED YES: NO: ABSENT:

CITY OF NORTH POLE

RESOLUTION 15-06

A RESOLUTION ESTABLISHING THE 2015 CITY OF NORTH POLE BED TAX GRANT
DISTRIBUTION AND RESCINDING RESOLUTION 14-21

WHEREAS, the City Council through Ordinance 14-14 changed how bed tax is distributed; and
WHEREAS, the City Council through Ordinance 14-25 appropriated funding for distribution; and
WHEREAS, the City Council amended passed Resolution 14-21 on December 15, 2014 but was in violation of code that was passed previously with Ordinance 14-14; and
WHEREAS, all organizations that applied for bed tax monies to the North Pole City Council presented on December 3rd 2014 with a total of \$227,761 requested in bed tax disbursements; and
WHEREAS, the 2015 allocation for disbursement is \$41,455; and
WHEREAS, all individual allocations were averaged against the whole to derive at the 2015 award; and
WHEREAS, the applicants have been awarded the following amounts for 2015 based on calculations determined by North Pole Municipal Code:

North Pole Economic Development:	\$3,328.57
North Pole Chamber of Commerce	\$7,505.65
Explore Fairbanks	\$11,430.77
North Pole Christmas in Ice	\$19,190.01

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the North Pole City Council allocates 2015 bed tax funding as appropriated for disbursement through Ordinance 14-25 and rescinds Resolution 14-21.
PASSED AND APPROVED by a duly constituted quorum of the North Pole City Council this 5th day of January, 2015.

Bryce J. Ward, Mayor

ATTEST:

Kathryn M. Weber, MMC
North Pole City Clerk

PASSED/FAILED
YES:
NO:
ABSENT:

Christmas in Ice

NORTH POLE * ALASKA



December 24, 2014

Honorable Mayor and Council,

As an involved party, Christmas In Ice is concerned regarding the Resolution 14-21 for allocation of the bed tax funds. As such we would ask that you delay distribution of those funds pending a review of the process by the City Attorney. Our concern is that City Code may have been bypassed during the December 15 vote on the resolution.

Specifically section 7.c. of code **4.09.025 Bed tax grant distribution** states:

"Each individual scorer will be given only one hundred points to allocate to the desired applicants. Once all applicants have presented, each applicant's score will be averaged. The point value given to an applicant shall be the percentage of the total bed tax grant amount to be awarded, after the City's administration fee of twenty-five percent. (Amended during 2014 reformat; Ord. § 14-14 2,2014)"

Thank you for your consideration of our concerns.

Board of Directors, Christmas In Ice

Ron Jones, Co-President

Stephanie Brown, Co-President

Marilyn Fye, Secretary

Betsy Jones, Treasurer

Rikki Homchick, Member at Large

Lyle Dawley, Member at Large

Tiffany Schrell, Member at Large

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Zane,

12-26-14

See the attached paperwork for more information on this situation. Basically what happened was we had two people come before the council and testify that the distribution should be different and then the council changed the allocation. The initial allocation was done as code specified, all committee members (council acted as committee this first year) chose how they wanted to allocate their monies \$41,455 and then the amounts from each member were averaged to come up with a fair allocation.

Code is pretty specific about this process (Section 7 a-b) it does refer to a point system but we had actual dollar amounts already so that is really not important (the percentages would have been figured in dollars anyway) I recommended that if the council wanted to disqualify a candidate (city services) because we wouldn't have enough funding to do what we wanted to do then we needed to allocate that amount to the other groups fairly. Either by dividing evenly across all remaining groups or divide by the percentage each group originally received.

The council then decided to do really whatever they wanted and ultimately have violated code. We have had one group come and ask us why the council did this, I have referred them back to each council member to ask them why they voted the way they did. The group that spoke to me was concerned with an ethical violation because the council took action that does not align with our code. No one has reconsidered and Kathy said that we cannot readdress this issue because it was passed by a majority. My question is can the Council willingly violate the code by an action and what can be done to correct it.

Finally it is my belief that the council did not realize that they were in fact actually violating the code even though I did say it. I believe they were trying to do the "right thing" for whatever that is worth. I will admit that I am frustrated that they do not listen to me. I am considering what Roberts rules allows for revisiting an item but am at a loss.

Any help would be appreciated. Thanks

-Bryce

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North Pole, Alaska 99705
(907) 488-8593
(907) 488-3002 (fax)
bill.butler@northpolealaska.org



Memo

To: Bryce Ward
From: Bill Butler
Date: 12/30/2014
Subject: Bed tax allocation

I appreciate that the City Council gave me the opportunity to submit an application for receipt of bed tax funding. As I mentioned in my presentation, the economic development proposal I submitted needed to be fully funded to accomplish the proposed goals. I was gratified that my proposal was potentially eligible for some bed tax funding; however, since there was insufficient funds available to fully fund the project, I am withdrawing my application.

In the future should the Council be interested in pursuing the concepts contained in my economic development proposal, I would gladly work with the Council advance these goals.

Kathy Weber

From: Zane Wilson <zane@alaskalaw.com>
Sent: Tuesday, December 30, 2014 9:17 AM
To: Bryce Ward
Cc: Kathy Weber
Subject: Re: bed tax issues

Mayor:

My computer has failed me so I will be brief. An illegal act needs to be corrected. The council needs to either follow the code or amend the code. The council does not have the legal right to ignore the code. If one of the applicants rejects the award they receive that money should come back into the "pot" and be reallocated to the remaining applicants.

If you need anything more on this let me know. Zane

Sent from my iPhone

On Dec 26, 2014, at 9:45 PM, Bryce Ward <bryce.ward@northpolealaska.org> wrote:

See attached information on the bed tax issue.

PS. Kathy I sent this to Zane at his request. He said he would review it and get back to us on what he thinks we should do.

Mayor
Bryce J. Ward
City of North Pole Alaska
125 Snowman Ln
North Pole Alaska
99705

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Mobile (907) 888-4444

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2015 APPLICATIONS FOR BED TAX GRANT PROPOSALS
2015 Disbursement: \$41,455 - Subject to Final Approval

											Multiplied by dist amount	
#	2015 Amount Requested	Name of Organization	Elizabeth Holm	Sharron Hunter	Kevin McCarthy	Thomas McGhee	Preston Smith	Michael Welch	Bryce Ward	Organization total	% of remaining amount	NEW AWARD AMT
1	\$50,000.00	North Pole Economic Development Corp.			\$ -	\$ -	\$ 10,363.75	\$ 1,455.00	\$ 3,700.00	\$ 15,518.75	8%	\$ 3,328.57
2	\$19,500.00	North Pole Chamber of Commerce	\$ 5,111.40		\$ -	\$ 13,818.33	\$ 10,363.75	\$ 2,000.00	\$ 3,700.00	\$ 34,993.48	18%	\$ 7,505.65
3	\$25,366.00	Explore Fairbanks	\$ 5,111.40		\$ -	\$ 13,818.33	\$ 10,363.75	\$ 10,000.00	\$ 14,000.00	\$ 53,293.48	28%	\$ 11,430.77
4	\$50,000.00	North Pole Christmas in Ice	\$ 31,232.20		\$ -	\$ 13,818.33	\$ 10,363.75	\$ 14,000.00	\$ 20,055.00	\$ 89,469.28	46%	\$ 19,190.01
5	\$78,750.00	City of North Pole City Services		\$ 41,455.00	\$ -			\$ 14,000.00		\$ 55,455.00		
6	4145	Phil Zastrow								0		
										\$ 41,455.00		
NEW ALLCOATION WITH CITY SERVICES REMOVED			\$ 41,455.00	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 41,454.99	\$ 41,455.00	\$ 27,455.00	\$ 41,455.00	\$ 193,274.99		
								all member totals		\$ 193,274.99		

Equation to figure new amounts:

organization totals /	=		X	\$41,455	=	New award amount
all member totals		Percentage				

[(organization totals) Divided by (all member totals)]multiplied by \$41,455 = New Award Amount

**HOTEL/ MOTEL TAX
DISCRETIONARY FUND GRANT
CITY OF NORTH POLE
2015 APPLICATION**

The Tax on the daily rental of hotel and motel rooms levied by North Pole Municipal Code 4.09.020 and is for the primary purpose of funding services for the promotion of the tourist industry and other economic development in the City of North Pole. Applicable organizations may submit a discretionary grant application and proposal no later than the last business day of October, 2014, for fund distribution in early 2015. Applications that are not completed in full may not be considered and only one application per organization will be accepted. Requests for the following cannot be supported: loans, deficits, debt reduction, endowments, scholarships and health and social service activities. A committee may be appointed by the Mayor with City Council concurrence to review the proposals and make recommendations no later than the first regular meeting in December 2014.

Applicant must provide the following information

- 1. Name of organization_____
- 2. Contact person _____ Email_____
- 3. Phone Number_____ Fax _____
- 4. Address_____
- 5. City _____ State _____ Zip Code_____

Current Board of Directors

- 1 _____
- 2 _____
- 3 _____
- 4 _____
- 5 _____
- 6 _____
- 7 _____
- 8 _____

Are you a nonprofit under the laws of Alaska? Yes No

Taxpayer Identification Number (TIN) _____

Alaska Business License # _____ **City Business License #** _____

Prior Hotel-Motel funding received by your organization

2014 _____

2013 _____

2012 _____

2011 _____

Amount of funding requested for dispersal in 2015 _____

Briefly describe the history and goals of your organization.

Identify measurable goals that will demonstrate the manner in which the proposed project or activity will promote or enhance tourism and/or contribute to the economic growth in the City of North Pole. Please show how use of the funds will contribute significantly to the growth and promotion of North Pole or will be used to supplement a successful on-going program of activities or a new program that will need initial support to accomplish its stated goals.

Provide a budget and a brief narrative detailing the use of the funds for which the organization is applying. The total amount should match the request listed in the application.

Item	Amount

Total Amount _____

Narrative

Please provide the following financial information (preferably one page for each document)

- a. Balance sheet for the last fiscal year.
- b. Income and expense statement from the last fiscal year.
- c. Wage and salary information (schedule A) for all employees for current and upcoming year
- d. Projected budget for upcoming year

All successful applicants receiving grant monies from the North Pole Bed Tax fund are required to provide reports on expenditures and accomplishments of goals on forms provided by the Chief Financial Officer (CFO). Applicants who received monies in the previous year must have completed this application and filed it with the City Clerk by the last business day of October of each year.

The grant recipient agrees to acknowledge the “City of North Pole” at the sponsor level of amount received.

Signature of Agent: _____
Date_____

Please include the following Items with your submittal:	
Application	Balance Sheet
Bed Tax Grant Annual Report (if applicable)	Income & Expense Statement
List of All Sub-grant Organizations (if applicable)	Schedule A – Wage and Salary statement

NOTE: THIS APPLICATION MUST BE RECEIVED BY THE CITY CLERK’S OFFICE NO LATER THAN 5:00 PM ON THE LAST BUSINESS DAY OF OCTOBER IN ORDER FOR THE FUNDING REQUEST TO BE CONSIDERED.

PLEASE SUBMIT THE ORIGINAL APPLICATION AND SEVEN (7) COMPLETE COPIES

Schedule A

Employee wage and salary Statement

Name of Organization_____ Fiscal Year End _____

POSITION TITLES	LAST FISCAL YEAR ANNUAL SALARY	PROPOSED FISCAL YEAR ANNUAL SALARY

Attach Additional Pages if Necessary

City of North Pole 2015 Bed Tax Grant Period Report

RECIPIENT AGENCY NAME: _____
REPORT FOR PERIOD: _____

Grant Amount Awarded by City Council	1	\$	-
90% of Award received by grantee	2	\$	-
10% to be paid out after completion of annual report	3	\$	-

Expenditure Description (as listed in application)

Approved Expenditure(s)*	4	
Approved Expenditure(s)*	5	
Approved Expenditure(s)*	6	
Approved Expenditure(s)*	7	
Approved Expenditure(s)*	8	
Approved Expenditure(s)*	9	
Approved Expenditure(s)*	10	
Total approved expenditures (Lines 4 through 10)	11	
Grant amount received	12	-
Line 11 less line 12	13	
Final amount to be reimbursed (Lesser of line 3 or line 13)	14	

Narrative Describing Use of Grant Funds	

Signature of Grantee Representative	Date
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Printed Name

* Attach documentation of expenditure(s) paid.



HOTEL/MOTEL GRANT DISBURSEMENT PROCESS

Dear Councilmember,

We are pleased to announce that we have received and accepted 6 applications for the City of North Pole Bed Tax Grant 2015. We have scheduled a work session for Wednesday December 3rd at 6:30 PM in the North Pole City Chambers. Presentations will begin promptly at 6:30pm and applicants are given up to 15 minutes for the presentation and question from the Council. The Following organizations were selected at random for presentation order

- 6:30pm North Pole Economic Development
- 6:45pm Explore Fairbanks
- 7:00pm Phil Zastrow
- 7:15pm North Pole Chamber of Commerce
- 7:30pm City of North Pole, Services
- 7:45pm North Pole Christmas in Ice

Attached is a spreadsheet for allocating funding to the groups according to their application and presentation. Each council member will allocate a portion of the \$41,455 to each of the respective groups. The total disbursement column from each council member must equal \$41,455. After presentations your worksheet allocations will be averaged with the allocation of all other council members and we will have the recommended disbursement (pending council action) for 2015.

The North Pole City Council will review the proposals and determine allocations based on the 2013 audited financials. The total disbursement amount for 2015 shall be \$41,455.

Questions may be directed to the City Clerk’s Office at 488-8583.

NOTICE TO HOTEL/MOTEL GRANT APPLICANTS

City of North Pole, Alaska

Grant applications must include an explanation on the intended use of the funds and how the award would contribute significantly to the growth and promotion of North Pole . Additionally, the application must indicate how the grant monies will be used to supplement a successful, on-going program of activities or a new program that will need initial support to accomplish its stated goals. Recipients should be prepared to report how bed tax funds were spent.

Please note all bed tax grants must follow guidelines outlined in North Pole Municipal Code 4.09.025 Bed Tax Distribution.

DIRECTIONS:

1. All applications are due to the North Pole City Clerk's office by the last business day of October, of the given year at 5:00 PM.
2. Submit one (1) original application and seven (7) copies to:
City Clerk, City of North Pole, 125 Snowman Ln North Pole, Alaska 99705
3. Please do not submit any application other than the one obtained from the City of North Pole; no other application will be accepted. If additional space is needed for answers, please attach additional pages and reference the question number before the answer.
4. Applications must be received by the City Clerk's Office no later than, the last business day of October at 5:00 P.M. Including mailed items.
5. Questions may be directed to the City Clerk's Office at 488-8583.

The North Pole City Council will review the proposals and determine allocations no later than December 31st, the year of the application.

PLEASE NOTE: Applicants will be notified by mail or email of a public hearing during which applicants, or their designee, may make a brief presentation to the Council-committee followed by a short question and answer period. Applicants who are not represented at the hearing will not be considered for funding. Applicants not meeting the application deadline will not be considered for funding.



HOTEL/MOTEL GRANT DISBURSEMENT PROCESS

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