

1. CALL TO ORDER, PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:

2. ROLL CALL:

3. APPROVAL OF AGENDA:

4. CONSENT AGENDA:

- A. Regular Meeting Minutes 07/25/94; Recommend: Approval as presented
- B. Glenwood Avenue Paving;
  - 1. Ordinance Serial No. 94-37; Amending the FY-95 Budget; Recommend: Introduction and schedule for public hearing at the next regular meeting, 08/22/94
- C. Election Judge Appointment;
  - 1. CM. No. 94-51; Recommend: Approval of appointments.
- D. Proposed Paving LID's;
  - 1. CM. No. 94-47; Vaunda Avenue; Recommend: Authority to obtain an engineering cost estimate so a formal survey may be taken.
  - 2. CM. No. 94-48; Lone Cub Avenue; Recommend: Authority to obtain an engineering cost estimate so a formal survey may be taken.
  - 3. Century Drive/Quincy Circle; Recommend: Authority to add Century Drive and Quincy Circle to the Check Street estimate so a formal survey may be taken.
  - 4. Adventure Estates; Recommend: Authority to obtain an engineering cost estimate so a formal survey may be taken.

5. PUBLIC HEARING:

- A. Local Improvement Districts;
  - 1. Ordinance Serial No. 94-32; Amending the FY-95 Budget; Hallea Lane Paving;
  - 2. Ordinance Serial No. 94-33; Amending the FY-95 Budget; Lake View Avenue Paving;
- B. Nunley Park Expansion/Parking;
  - 1. Public comment on expansion of Nunley Park and additional parking;
  - 2. Ordinance Serial No. 94-35; Amending Ordinance Serial No. 91-40 Rededication of Real Property to Public Use;
  - 3. Ordinance Serial No. 94-36; Amending the FY-95 Budget; Acquisition Nunley Park Expansion/Parking
- C. Railroad Depot Renovations;
  - 1. Ordinance Serial No. 94-31; Amending the FY-95 Budget;
  - 2. Resolution of the Wasilla Senior Advisory Commission; Regarding the use of the Historic Wasilla Railroad Depot Building; (Information Only)
  - 3. Public comment on proposed uses of the Wasilla Railroad Depot;
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6. COMMISSION REPORTS:

- A. Wasilla Planning Commission;
- B. Wasilla Senior Advisory Commission;
- C. Wasilla Parks & Recreation Commission;
- D. Wasilla Knik Willow Creek Historical Society;

7. PERSONS TO BE HEARD: (NON AGENDA ITEMS 5 MINUTES PLEASE)

- A. Sally Chryst;
- B. *Steve Stoll*

8. EXECUTIVE SESSION: (None Scheduled)

9. UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

- A. Concealed Weapons;
- B. Term Limits;
  - 1. Ordinance Serial No. 94-34; Limiting the Terms of Office of City of Wasilla Council Members and Mayor to a maximum of two consecutive terms; (Postponed)
- C. Election Proposition #1; Manager Form of Government
  - 1. Resolution No. WR94-40 Option A (Manager Plan upon conclusion of the current mayor's term of office); Directing the City Clerk to place a manager plan of government on the ballot as Proposition No. 1 At the October 4, 1994 Regular Election. (Postponed)
  - 2. Resolution No. WR94-40 Option B (Manager Plan implemented within 60 days of adoption); Directing the City Clerk to place a manager plan of government on the ballot as Proposition No. 1 At the October 4, 1994 Regular Election.
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  - 1. Ordinance Serial No. 94-30;
  - 2. CM. No. 94-52;
  - 3. Annexation Petition;
- E. Matanuska-Susitna Borough 6 year Capital Improvement Program;
  - 1. CM. No. 94-46;
  - 2. Resolution No. WR94-43;
  - 3. Resolution No. WR94-44;
  - 4. Planning Commission Resolution No. 94-11;
  - 5. Planning Commission Resolution No. 94-12;

10. NEW BUSINESS:

- A. Reconstruction of George Parks Highway;
  - 1. Resolution No. WR94-45;
  - 2. Letter from Jim Lester;
- B. Susitna Sewer System Pump Station;
  - 1. CM. No. 94-53;
  - 2. Ordinance Serial No. 94-38;
- C. Lakeview Avenue Paving Bid Award; (Handout)
- D. *Ord 94-39 Gen Fund Budget Amendment (Capital Move)*

11. COMMUNICATIONS:

- A. Wasilla Planning Commission Minutes 07/26/94
- B. Wasilla Police Department FY 94 Statistical Report;
  - 1. IM. No. 94-27;
- C. Initiative Petition; Food/Beverage Exemption Effective July 1, 1995
  - 1. IM. No. 94-28;
- D. Airport Permit;
  - 1. Skydiving;
- E. Sick Leave Bank;

12. CITY REPORTS:

- 13. AUDIENCE COMMENTS:
- 14. COUNCIL COMMENTS:
- 15. ADJOURNMENT:



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### WASILLA CITY COUNCIL MINUTES REGULAR MEETING DATE: 08/08/94 TIME: 7:00 PM

1. CALL TO ORDER, PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:

Deputy Mayor Hjellen called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

2. ROLL CALL:

COUNCILMEN:

Mr. Carney            Mr. Erickson-Ab.  
Mr. Carson            Ms. Hjellen  
Mr. Chappel          Mrs. Palin

STAFF:

Mayor Stein-Exc.            Mr. Cooper-Museum Dir.  
Mr. Wyatt-Deputy Admin.    Mrs. Harris-Clerk  
Mr. Deuser-Attorney        Mr. Baugh-Sen. Accountant  
Mr. Stambaugh-Police Chief    Mr. Dvorak-Planner  
Mr. Nelson-Finance Dir.

3. APPROVAL OF AGENDA:

The agenda was approved with the following additions: Persons To Be Heard Item B. Steve Stoll; and New Business Item D. Capital Move Funding; Ordinance Serial No. 94-39; Amending the FY-95 Budget General Fund #01.

4. CONSENT AGENDA:

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Motion/Second: Carney/Palin

That the Consent Agenda comprising the foregoing items be and the same are hereby approved as written and that the various Officials of the City are hereby authorized and directed to take such action as may be necessary to give effect to the recommendations as therein contained. Motion passed.

PUBLIC HEARING:

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Deputy Mayor Hjellen opened the hearing to the public on Ordinance Serial No. 94-32. No comments were made. Deputy Mayor Hjellen closed the hearing to the public.

Deputy Mayor Hjellen opened the hearing to the public on Ordinance Serial No. 94-33.

Steve Stoll: Commented that Lake View Avenue is a dead end road serving approximately 30 families, feels it would be justified paving as far as the VFW Hall because of the high use, but with the restrictions the Council is attempting to place on access to Lake Lucille regarding the street ends, feels this in an insult on top of an injury to pave the rest of this street with public funds.

No further comments were made. Deputy Mayor Hjellen closed the hearing to the public.

B. Nunley Park Expansion/Parking:

1. Public comment on expansion of Nunley Park and additional parking;
2. Ordinance Serial No. 94-35; Amending Ordinance Serial No. 91-40 Rededication of Real Property to Public Use;
3. Ordinance Serial No. 94-36; Amending the FY-95 Budget; Acquisition Nunley Park Expansion/Parking

Deputy Mayor Hjellen opened the hearing to the public on Ordinance Serial No. 94-35. No comments were made. Deputy Mayor Hjellen closed the hearing to the public.

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Steve Stoll: Stated he felt there were plenty of property for parks, listed several properties owned by the City and stated he felt the City has enough property in the public hands.

Bruce Lettis-Jones: Stated he has a problem with acquisition of parks all the time, feels something should be done about the road patching rather than more parks.

Barbara Aldeman: Stated she went by the park before the meeting, there is 1 car in the paved parking lot and a number of cars on the other side by the play equipment. Mrs. Aldeman stated that most moms want to be hear their children, not across the block from them.

Mike Chryst: Opposed to spending this amount of money for more parks. Stated he does not know many people that use the parks other than the business park and there is adequate parking there. Mr. Chryst stated he feels most people go elsewhere.

Linnette Booth: Stated she is a mother of 3 and when they were young, she walked with her children when they went to the park, exercise was a part of going. Ms. Booth felt its parent's duty to watch their own children, feels the City is spending too much money for convenience.

No further comments were made. Deputy Mayor Hjellen closed the hearing to the public.

C. Railroad Depot Renovations:

1. Ordinance Serial No. 94-31; Amending the FY-95 Budget;
2. Resolution of the Wasilla Senior Advisory Commission; Regarding the use of the Historic Wasilla Railroad Depot Building; (Information Only)
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Deputy Mayor Hjellen opened the hearing to the public.

Laura Chase: Is opposed to renovating the depot without cost estimates of the work being performed. Feels appropriating that amount of money before knowing the cost of the job is putting the cart before the horse.

Barbara Aldeman: Favors renovation of the depot, feels that Wasilla is a first class City, the depot is a tourist attraction and that Wasilla needs to start thinking about economic development. Mrs. Aldeman also stated she feels the capital is going to move to Wasilla.

Steve Stoll: Favors promoting as a non-profit use by the Lion's Club, they have raised several thousands to help people, wants to see it remain with the Lion's Club.

Mike Chryst: Wants to see the depot stay with the Lion's Club, they have done many ballfields, bought many eyeglasses for the poor. Leave them alone and they will do the rest.

LeRoi Heaven: Spoke of the suggestions his wife made in writing at the last meeting. Wants to see the building kept up, not fall into ruin.

Linnette Booth: Supports renovation of the building, but should be done orderly. Hope Council supports renovation and the Lion's Club.

Sally Chryst: Supports the Lion's Club, leave the depot with the Lion's Club.

Laura Chase: Favors use of the building for historical value. Feels the it should be renovated and brought back to the standard of when it was first built. Feels could be use for numerous functions.

Councilman Carney requested that the public hearing be kept open to the next regular meeting, 08/22/94 and allow the Lion's Club an opportunity to bring in a written proposal on what and cost of the renovating. Councilman Carney also stated he would like public reaction on the budget proposal.

There was no objection from Council to hold the public hearing open to the next regular meeting, 08/22/94 for the proposed budget.

6. COMMISSION REPORTS:

A. Wasilla Planning Commission;

Ms. Chase reported that the Planning Commission felt the annexation issue should be a decision of the Council and the public , not the Planning Commission. Ms. Chase also reviewed the Mat-Su Borough 6 year CIP that is in the Council packet this evening and stated that the Planning Commission will be looking at the Lake Lucille Street Ends issue tomorrow evening.

B. Wasilla Senior Advisory Commission;

None given.

C. Wasilla Parks & Recreation Commission;

None given.

D. Wasilla Knik Willow Creek Historical Society;

Mr. Heaven reported that the homebuilders have selected August 20 to begin working on the Teelands building, Robinson Millwork will be delivering the windows and doors next week, so everything is starting to come together.

7. PERSONS TO BE HEARD: (NON AGENDA ITEMS 5 MINUTES PLEASE)

A. Sally Chryst;

Mrs. Chryst spoke of term limits and handed out a packet for Council on this issue and stated she felt it is the Council's duty to bring this issue forward to the ballot for the people.

B. Steve Stoll;

Mr. Stoll spoke of the resolution he proposed to the Council last meeting on citizen participation and asked Council to bring this resolution forward, for the past 2 years the Council and Mat-Su Borough Assembly meetings have been televised and broadcast on public television free of charge. Mr. Stoll also commented on the VPA building and asked that they share the use of the building with another organization equally dedicated.

8. EXECUTIVE SESSION: (None Scheduled)

9. UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

A. Concealed Weapons;

No action taken.

B. Term Limits;

1. Ordinance Serial No. 94-34; Limiting the Terms of Office of City of Wasilla Council Members and Mayor to a maximum of two consecutive terms; (Postponed)

Motion/Second: Chappel/Palin

To introduce Ordinance Serial No. 94-34 and schedule for public hearing and final action at the next regular meeting. Motion failed with Mr. Carson, Mr. Chappel and Mrs. Palin assenting.

C. Election Proposition #1; Manager Form of Government

1. Resolution No. WR94-40 Option A (Manager Plan upon conclusion of the current mayor's term of office); Directing the City Clerk to place a manager plan of government on the ballot as Proposition No. 1 At the October 4, 1994 Regular Election. (Postponed)
2. Resolution No. WR94-40 Option B (Manager Plan implemented within 60 days of adoption); Directing the City Clerk to place a manager plan of government on the ballot as Proposition No. 1 At the October 4, 1994 Regular Election.

Motion/Second: Palin/Carson

To adopt Resolution No. WR94-40 Option A (Manager Plan upon conclusion of the current Mayor's term of office).

Motion/Second: Carney/Hjellen

To amend Resolution No. WR94-40 Option A by making a comprehensive change of the date of the election to October 1995. Amendment passed with Mrs. Palin dissenting. The main motion passed.

D. Annexation;

1. Ordinance Serial No. 94-30;
2. CM. No. 94-52;
3. Annexation Petition;

Motion/Second: Carney/Palin

To introduce Ordinance Serial No. 94-30 and schedule for public hearing at the next regular meeting, 08/22/94. Motion passed.

Council directed the Clerk to give formal notice to all affected properties of the public hearing.

E. Matanuska-Susitna Borough 6 year Capital Improvement Program;

1. CM. No. 94-46;
2. Resolution No. WR94-43;
3. Resolution No. WR94-44;
4. Planning Commission Resolution No. 94-11;
5. Planning Commission Resolution No. 94-12;

Motion/Second: Palin/Carson

To adopt Resolution No. WR94-43.

Motion/Second: Carney/Hjellen

To amend Resolution No. WR94-43 by eliminating Priority #1 "Lake Lucille Park Access", #2 "Peck Street Paving and Extension to Fishhook" and #6 "Endeavor Street" and schedule for public hearing at the next regular meeting, 08/22/94. No objection, so ordered.

There was no objection from Council to schedule Resolution No. WR94-44 for public hearing at the next regular meeting, 08/22/94. So ordered.

10. NEW BUSINESS:

A. Reconstruction of George Parks Highway;

1. Resolution No. WR94-45;
2. Letter from Jim Lester;

Motion/Second: Carson/Chappel

To adopt Resolution No. WR94-45.

Motion/Second: Carney/Palin

To amend Resolution No. WR94-45 by adding "Whereas, the City of Wasilla recognizes that the divided 4-lane highway through Wasilla will not resolve the traffic problem in Wasilla" as the fourth "Whereas" and adding "Be It further resolved, that the City of Wasilla require a meeting between the City and DOT/PF prior to holding public hearings in the community to develop a plan. Amendment passed. The main motion passed.

A letter from Mr. Bob Andres is attached for the record as a part of the minutes.

B. Susitna Sewer System Pump Station;

1. CM. No. 94-53;
2. Ordinance Serial No. 94-38;

Motion/Second: Carney/Palin

To introduce Ordinance Serial No. 94-38 and schedule for public hearing and final action at the next regular meeting, 08/22/94. Motion passed.

TERMISSION: 8:30--8:45 PM

C. Lake View Avenue Paving Bid Award; (Handout)

Motion/Second: Carson/Chappel

To approve CM. No. 94-54, awarding the bid to the low bidder, Summit Paving in the amount of \$147,687.00, authorizing Administration to give a notice to proceed pending proof of documentation and pending action on Ordinance Serial No. 94-33.

Mr. Carney stated he owns property on this street and will abstain.

Motion passed with Mr. Carney abstaining.

D. Capital Move Funding;

1. Ordinance Serial No. 94-39; Amending the FY-95 Budget General Fund #01

Motion/Second: Hjellen/Carson

To introduce Ordinance Serial No. 94-39 and schedule for public hearing at the next regular meeting.

Motion/Second: Chappel/Carson

To delay action on Ordinance Serial No. 94-39 to the next regular meeting, 08/22/94. Motion passed.

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12. CITY REPORTS:

Mr. Wyatt: Reported on the local improvement districts in progress, Peck Street paving, park improvements, bike path paving, the public works positions applications are now under review, the Old Airport survey and signage maintenance.

Mr. Deuser: Reported on the Wasilla Feed Sales Tax case, City received summary judgement.

Chief Stambaugh: Stated there has been a lot of vandalism over the past week on Lucille Street, and in reviewing calls between July 1993 and July 1994, there were twice as many calls on juveniles in 1994.

Mr. Cooper: Reported on the building improvement projects moving forward.

Mr. Baugh: Reported that the audit has been moved back 1 week, they will be here the week of August 22. Have offered the sales tax clerk position to an applicant and she is now going through drug testing.

Mr. Dvorak: Reported that the Planning Commission has approved the draft Wasilla Development Code to bring forward to City Council and spoke of a possible conflict with the penalty clause.

Mr. Nelson: Stated that Mr. Baugh had covered the Finance Department, they are continuing with business as usual.

Mrs. Harris: Reported that Kristie VanGorder, Borough Clerk's Office called and the Borough wants a joint cities meeting on August 30 in the Borough Assembly Chambers at 6:00 reference Sales Tax and the



Christenson Library Study. If there is anything else Council wishes to talk with the Borough about, let the Clerk's Office know. Also Duane and herself have been going over the annexation petition and will have that ready for the next meeting.

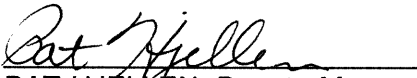
13. AUDIENCE COMMENTS:

14. COUNCIL COMMENTS:

15. ADJOURNMENT:

There being no further business the meeting adjourned at 9:40 p.m.

APPROVED:

  
PAT HJELLEN, Deputy Mayor

RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED:

  
MARJORIE D. HARRIS, CMC  
City Clerk

***WINDBREAK CAFE & BAR***

***2201 E. Parks Highway, Wasilla, Alaska 99654***

***(907) 376-4484***

Mayor John Stein  
290 E. Herning Avenue  
Wasilla, AK 99654

Dear Mayor Stein:

***HELP!!*** The D.O.T. is planning a divided highway between Mile 34 of the Parks Highway and the Cottonwood Creek Mall for the City of Wasilla. This proposal will condemn this area from future retail growth and will establish it as a storage unit area, apartment complexes, and destination type stops which will effectively reduce the City of Wasilla's water and sewer usage, stop potential high volume retailers from moving in, eliminate jobs, and put some of the already existing established businesses out of business within a year or two of its completion. Divided highways with frontage roads have never worked for retailers and never will. This is why the City of Wasilla has a four lane highway with a two way left turn lane for downtown Wasilla and it is also why the City of Soldotna and Kenai use the same system.

My business is located within the City of Wasilla, and therefore, we seek the same treatment as the downtown business district. Divided highways are great for those sections of the highway that run between cities, but it is not acceptable to any City as a means of controlling traffic and the business community. If the City allows the D.O.T. to establish a divided highway, it will eliminate future growth, and make our area similar to the Tudor/ Huffman frontage road which consists of nothing more than storage space, apartment complexes, and vacant lots. In short, low volume and/or destination stops. I believe that in order to get this changed, I will need the support of the City of Wasilla. Therefore, I am requesting the City to study my proposal and once you carefully review the D.O.T. proposal, I am certain that you will agree that it needs to be changed prior to the D.O.T.'s proposal getting to final design.

Your help in this matter is needed.

Sincerely,



Bob Andres

BA:jlm

**WINDBREAK CAFE & BAR**

**2201 E. Parks Highway, Wasilla, Alaska 99654**

**(907) 376-4484**

August 8, 1994

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Department of Transportation & Public Facilities  
4111 Aviation Avenue  
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Anchorage, AK 99519-6900

Attn: Vince Rhea, P.E., Project Manager, PD&E

Re: Parks Highway MP-35-44  
Project No. 59117

Gentlemen:

I reviewed your letter with great interest, but with very little understanding. Frontage roads do not provide easy access that all retail businesses need in order for their survival, in fact, frontage roads are not acceptable. Your Department only needs to take a look at the section of the New Seward Highway between Tudor Road and Huffman, where there are simply no major retail businesses located along the frontage road, because they do not work. Frontage roads only work for destination stops, such as storage units, apartment complexes, engine repairs, etc., *not* for retailers such as restaurants, bars, motels, clothing or shoe stores, etc., etc.

We specifically ask that a four lane highway with a two way left turn lane be extended to our location from downtown Wasilla. The traffic flow has worked with this type of arrangement for downtown businesses and is the same type of highway system that your Department included for the Muldoon Road to Tudor Road which appears to handle more traffic than our section of highway, yet, your Department designed a system that worked without a divided highway or frontage roads. Mr. Rhea, if your proposed divided highway system is approved, you are basically condemning all of the current retail businesses located in our area to go out of business. You will effectively stop any major retailer from locating in this area, causing the City of Wasilla to lose future sales tax base,

State of Alaska  
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& Public Facilities  
Attn: Vince Rhea, P.E.  
Project Manager, PD&E

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reduce the City of Wasilla's water and sewer usage, and put a great deal of people out of work. If frontage roads were the time tested way as you suggest, why were they not established for downtown Wasilla, Soldotna, Kenai, and/or the Muldoon area. Why has this idea not provided any retail businesses to open up on the New Seward Highway between Tudor Road and Huffman? The answer must be obvious to all, it just does not work.

In addition, please send me a copy of a cross-section of your design for the property located at Mile 40.5 of the Parks Highway. It appears that your Department may be taking the front row of my parking lot, not to mention that my driveway will be altered; I cannot tell exactly what your plans are from the drawing that you sent to me. It also appears that the building that houses the Subway shop will be demolished by this proposal.

Lastly Mr. Rhea, I am located in the City of Wasilla, and I want the same consideration that the other retail businesses have received in Wasilla, Soldotna, and Kenai. Divided highways are great for those sections of the road that run between each City, but they are not acceptable to any City as a means to control traffic in the business community. So, please consider a four lane highway with a two way left turn as the system of choice, rather than the undesirable option that your Department is considering.

Sincerely,



Robert J. Andres

RA:jlrm