

WASILLA CITY COUNCIL AGENDA
REGULAR MEETING DATE: 01/22/96 TIME: 7:00 PM

CALL TO ORDER, PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:

2. ROLL CALL:

3. APPROVAL OF AGENDA:

SPECIAL ORDER:

A. Volunteer Work Appreciation Award: Richard Olson

4. CONSENT AGENDA:

A. Regular Meeting Minutes 01/08/95: **Recommend:** Approval as Presented.

B. Bid Award:

1. CM. No. 96-06: Property Maintenance Van: **Recommend:** Award the bid to the lowest responsive bid for the purchase of a new maintenance equipped vehicle and authorize Administration to purchase the vehicle from Worthington Ford for \$17,194.00

C. State Surcharges/Motor Vehicle Violations:

1. Ordinance Serial No. 96-03: Amending Chapter 14.01.020: **Recommend:** Introduction and schedule for public hearing at the next regular meeting, 02/12/96

D. Vacation of Right-of-Way:

1. CM. No. 96-08: Discovery Drive: **Recommend:** Affirm the decision approving the vacation of a portion of Discovery drive Right-of-Way, of the Matanuska-Susitna Borough Platting Board in its entirety

E. Res WR 96-05 Support Safe School 3

5. PUBLIC HEARING:

A. Bumpus Ballfields:

1. Parks & Recreation 7 Minute Tape Presentation:

2. Ordinance Serial No. 95-59: Approving the Planned Development of Ballfields on 120 Acres near Mystery Avenue;

3. CM. No. 95-98:

4. CM. No. 95-91:

B. Recreation Commission:

1. Ordinance Serial No. 96-02:

6. COMMISSION REPORTS:

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

A. Jim Messick: Youth Court Program

B. Gary Feaster: 1997 State Square Dance Festival

C. Jim Strong: Gold Star Alaska Races

EXECUTIVE SESSION: (NONE SCHEDULED)

A. Randy Zimin

B. Boyer/O'Neill

9. UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

- A. Appointment to City Council:
 - 1. Letters of Interest:
- B. Local Government Restructuring Feasibility Study:
 - 1. Resolution Serial No. 96-01;
 - 2. Ordinance Serial No. 96-01;
 - 3. Memo from Richard Deuser; General Commentary on Borough/City of Wasilla Political Relationship
- C. Insurance Brokerage Services:
 - 1. Professional Services Agreement;
 - 2. Mike Combs; Combs Insurance Agency, Inc.
 - 3. Steve Wells; AML/JIA
- D. FY-96 Budget Amendment:
 - 1. Ordinance Serial No. 95-58; FY-96 Budget Appropriation to Debt Service Fund 13; (Adoption)
- E. Parks Highway Design:
 - 1. Resolution No. WR96-02; Supporting a Five-lane Configuration for the Upgrade of the Parks Highway
 - 2. Letters from Business Owners;

10. NEW BUSINESS:

- A. Jr. Iditarod Dog Sled Race:
 - 1. Ray McCarthy;
- B. Wasilla Airpark Industrial Land Sale; (Requested by Councilman Carney) Res WR96-04
- C. Drug and Alcohol Policy No. 96-03;
 - 1. CM. No. 96-09; Personal Vehicle Searches
 - 2. Resolution No. WR96-03 Draft "A";
 - 3. Resolution No. WR96-03 Draft "B";
- D. Exercise of Parks Powers/Title Rights:
 - 1. IM. No. 96-04;
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E. CM 96-10

F. Bumpus Ballfield Project

11. COMMUNICATIONS:

- A. Wasilla Planning Commission Meeting Minutes 01/16/96;
- B. Don Ward; Snowmachine Races
- C. Wasilla Area Seniors, Inc.; Simmeana Housing Project
- D. IM. No. 96-03; Matanuska-Susitna Borough School District Pupil/Teacher Ratio
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- F. FY-97 Operating Funds Budget Schedule;
- G. Local Boundary Commission; Request for Reconsideration of Annexation
- H. Ruby Church; Church Road Project

CITY REPORTS:

13. AUDIENCE COMMENTS:

14. COUNCIL COMMENTS:

15. ADJOURNMENT:



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1. CALL TO ORDER, PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:

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

2. ROLL CALL:

COUNCIL:

Mr. Carney Mr. Hartrick
Mr. Chappel Ms. Hjellen
 Mrs. Palin

STAFF:

Mayor Stein Mr. Cooper-Museum Dir.
Mr. Felton-City Engineer Mrs. Harris-Clerk
Mr. Deuser-Attorney-Exc. Mr. Baugh-Sen. Accountant
Mr. Stambaugh-Chief Mr. Dvorak-Planner
Mr. Nelson-Finance Dir. Ms. Brower-Deputy Clerk
Mrs. Emmons-Library Dir.

3. APPROVAL OF AGENDA:

The agenda was approved with the following changes: Resolution No. WR96-05; Supporting Safe Schools was added to the Consent Agenda as Item E; Randy Zimin, Driveway Claim and Boyer-O'Neill, Lawsuit Settlement Proposal were added to Executive Session as Items A and B; Resolution No. WR96-04, Expressing Interest in Site Presentations for Public Buildings was added to New Business as Item B-1; and M. No. 96-10, Purchase of Lot 1-1, Block 6, Wasilla Townsite was added to New Business as Item E.

SPECIAL ORDER:

A. Volunteer Work Appreciation Award: Richard Olson was given an award of appreciation by Mayor Stein on behalf of the City of Wasilla for all the Festive lighting he voluntarily does. Mr. Olson takes care of Lights and Poles in the neighborhood.

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E. Resolution No. 96-05; Support Safe Schools:

Motion/Second: Palin/Hartrick

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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Mayor Stein opened the hearing to the public.

Bob Lucus: stated that he was not against all ballfields, but 120 acres was an excessive amount. 40 acres should do for ball fields as other people need a park to go to for picnics and just sitting around in.

Jim Hayes: President of Wasilla Youth Soccer Association, outlined concerns for the adoption of the existing plan. He stated several issues of concern, lighting, buffer zones-vs-wind, dust, soil conservation adding a list of more uses than just ball fields.

Steve Glos: suggested the development of this project should be economically done, utilizing the tax base to benefit the community. Talked about more uses than ball fields, mentioned that it was against the Chief of Police's wishes to sell beer at Bumpus. Ordinance doesn't address timeline for remaining acreage. It takes good planning to do things right.

Harold Newcomb: Doesn't believe that projects such as the community ball fields should be done by contractors. Almost all the playground, ballfields, etc. which have been completed were done with volunteer help.

Don Rucker: had investigated the water table concern and it appears that the water table would be more than safe. All the items meet the design standards of the project. Talked about alternatives uses and only 28 Fields, 10 baseball, 5 softball and 13 soccer/rugby fields. Servicing the population, city or greater area. Cost to the Community & City to build this project is reasonably low.

Peter Dedick: Wasilla Youth Soccer Association announced that they are part of the National Association and have contacted a Grant writer to assist them in getting a National Grant.

Jim Ressler: brought forth petitions with 252 signatures favoring the ballfield project as it is presented.

No other comments were made. Mayor Stein closed the hearing to the public.

B. Recreation Commission:

1. Ordinance Serial No. 96-02:

Mayor Stein opened the hearing to the public.

No comments were made. Mayor Stein closed the hearing to the public.

6. COMMISSION REPORTS:

Scott Sterling Mat-Su Borough Assemblyman: gave a report on defeating the Lake Louise Detachment, HB154, Economic Development, Process of Developing a Budget, committee appointment and a possible lobbyist in Juneau. Worksessions will be held on Feb 6th and Feb 20th.

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

A. Jim Messick: Youth Court Program

Mr. Messick explained the Youth Court Program giving details of the involvement of the 17 and 18 year olds as well as the adults. The program is working well in other areas and a lot of effort has been put forth for our own program. Youths being judged by their own peers seems to have an impact on their future behavior.

B. Gary Feaster: 1997 State Square Dance Festival
Not Present.

C. Jim Strong: Gold Star Alaska Races

Advertised that they are a new cross country group with 3 of 4 races scheduled will start and finish in Wasilla. The intent of this new group is to do for snowmachining what Iditarod did for dog sled racing. They intend to hold workshops for courteous and safe snowmachine operations. Mr. Don Cates helped him with the report.

8. **EXECUTIVE SESSION:**

A. Randy Zimin Driveway Claim:

B. Boyer/O'Neill Lawsuit Settlement Proposal:

Motion/Second: Hartrick/Hjellen

To go into executive session to discuss matters that may be detrimental to the City regarding finances.
Motion passed.

EXECUTIVE SESSION: 8:35 - 9:00 PM

Motion/Second: Hjellen/Hartrick

To approve the resolution approving the proposed settlement of the Boyer/O'Neill Lawsuit, figure submitted by the City Attorney and authorizing the City Attorney to prepare the necessary documents for the Mayor's signature for the settlement documents. Motion passed

Motion/Second: Carney/Hjellen

To refer the suggested settlement proposal of the Zimin Claim to the City Attorney for preparation of the necessary documents. Motion passed.

Councilman Carney ask to add Bumpus Ballfield to New Business as Item F for discussion. There was no objection.

9. **UNFINISHED BUSINESS:**

A. Appointment to City Council:

1. Letters of Interest:

Motion/Second Palin/Chappel

To appoint Colleen Cottle to Council Seat "A". Motion failed with Mr. Chappel and Mrs. Palin assenting.

Motion/Second Carney/Hjellen

To appoint Philip Lockwood to Council Seat "A". Motion failed with Mr. Carney, Mr. Hartrick and Ms. Hjellen assenting.

B. Local Government Restructuring Feasibility Study:

1. Resolution Serial No. 96-01;
2. Ordinance Serial No. 96-01;
3. Memo from Richard Deuser; General Commentary on Borough/City of Wasilla Political Relationship

Motion/Second Carney/Palin

To adopt Resolution No. WR96-01 Substitute. Motion passed.

There was no objection to postpone Ordinance Serial No. 96-01 until the February 26, 1996 Council meeting.

C. Insurance Brokerage Services;

1. Professional Services Agreement;
2. Mike Combs; Combs Insurance Agency, Inc.
3. Steve Wells; AML/JIA

No action taken.

D. FY-96 Budget Amendment;

1. Ordinance Serial No. 95-58; FY-96 Budget Appropriation to Debt Service Fund 13;

Motion/Second Chappel/Carney

To adopt Ordinance Serial No. 95-58. Mr. Hartrick announced he lives on Crestwood. Council had no objection to Mr. Hartrick voting on this issue. Motion passed.

E. Parks Highway Design;

1. Resolution No. WR96-02; Supporting a Five-lane Configuration for the Upgrade of the Parks Highway
2. Letters from Business Owners;

Motion/Second Hartrick/Carney

To adopt Resolution No. WR96-02. Motion passed

10. NEW BUSINESS:

A. Jr. Iditarod Dog Sled Race;

1. Ray McCarthy;

Motion/Second Palin/Hartrick

To authorize administration spending \$4,000 from Economic Development toward the Jr. Iditarod Dog Sled Race. Motion passed with Mr. Carney dissenting

B. Wasilla Airpark Industrial Land Sale; (Requested by Councilman Carney)

1. Resolution No. WR96-04; Expressing Interest in Site Presentations for Public Buildings

Motion/Second Carney/Hartrick

To adopt Resolution No. WR96-04 as amended. Motion failed with Mr. Carney and Mr. Hartrick assenting.

Motion/Second Hartrick/Hjellen

To adopt Resolution No. WR96-04 and amend "Whereas #3" to minimize the number of buildings on the Old Wasilla Airport Site.

Motion/Second Chappel/Palin

To Strike City Hall from Resolution No. WR96-04. Amendment failed with Mr. Chappel and Mrs. Palin assenting.

The main motion passed with Mrs. Palin dissenting

- C. Drug and Alcohol Policy No. 95-03;
 - 1. CM. No. 96-09: Personal Vehicle Searches
 - 2. Resolution No. WR96-03 Draft "A":
 - 3. Resolution No. WR96-03 Draft "B":

There was no objection to delay this issue to the next regular meeting, 02/12/96.

- D. Exercise of Parks Powers/Title Rights:
 - 1. IM. No. 96-04:
 - 2. Memorandum from Richard Deuser:

Motion/Second Hjellen/Chappel

To authorize Administration to write a letter to the Mat-Su Borough requesting that they consider the Draft Ordinance on exercise of Parks Powers/Title Rights. Motion passed.

- E. CM. No. 96-10: Purchase of Lot 1-1, Block 6, Wasilla Townsite
No objection made by council.

- F. Bumpus Ballfield Project
 - 1. Ordinance No. 95-59

Motion/Second Carney/Hjellen

To refer plans back to the Parks and Recreation Commission and the Planning Commission and ask for a report by the first meeting in March. Motion failed with Mr. Carney and Ms. Hjellen assenting

Motion/Second Hartrick/Palin

To move the plan forward and adopt Ordinance Serial No. 95-59. Motion failed with Mr. Chappel, Mr. Hartrick and Mrs. Palin assenting.

There was no objection to continue the meeting for an additional 10 minutes.

Councilman Chappel made a request for reconsideration of Resolution No. WR96-04 at the next regular meeting, 02/12/96.

Mrs. Harris, City Clerk pointed out to the Council that the Council has no option of waiting until the election in October to fill the vacant council seat.

Motion/Second Carney/Hjellen

appoint Mr. Philip Lockwood to fill the vacant Council Seat "A". Motion passed with Mr. Chappel assenting.

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12. CITY REPORTS:

Mr. Felton gave a report about the water and sewer lines and the expectations of them becoming frozen.

Mr. Dvorak spoke about the activity in the planning office.

13. AUDIENCE COMMENTS:

14. COUNCIL COMMENTS:

15. ADJOURNMENT:

There being no further business the meeting adjourned at 11:10 p.m.

APPROVED:



JOHN C. STEIN, Mayor

RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED:



MARJORIE D. HARRIS, CMC
City Clerk