

WASILLA CITY COUNCIL
REGULAR MEETING AGENDA
DATE: MONDAY, 11/24/97 TIME: 7:00 P.M.

CALL TO ORDER, PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:

ROLL CALL:

3. APPROVAL OF AGENDA:

4. CONSENT AGENDA:

- A. Regular Meeting Minutes 10/27/97; **Recommend:** Approval as Presented.
- B. Special Meeting Minutes 10/31/97; **Recommend:** Approval as Presented.
- C. Resolution No. WR97-47; Authorizing the Mayor to submit an application for a loan to the Alaska Drinking Water Fund to fund the Knik-Goose Bay Water Main Extension.
- D. Ordinance Serial No. 97-71; Amending the FY-98 Budget by appropriating additional funds to the Sewer Loan Fund; **Recommend:** Introduction and schedule for public hearing at the next regular meeting, 12/08/97.
- E. Ordinance Serial No. 97-72; Amending the FY-98 Budget by appropriating additional funds to the Youth Court Fund; **Recommend:** Introduction and schedule for public hearing at the next regular meeting, 12/08/97.
- F. Ordinance Serial No. 97-73; Amending chapter 9.04, Business License of the Wasilla Municipal Code; **Recommend:** Introduction and schedule for public hearing at the next regular meeting, 12/08/97.
- G. CM. No. 97-85; Appointment of Bernadette Rupright to the Parks and Recreation Commission, and Ray McCarthy to the Planning Commission; **Recommend:** Concurrence with the appointments.

5. PUBLIC HEARING:

- A. Ordinance Serial No. 97-63; Amending Chapter 2.04.010, City Council Composition and 2.04.030, Election of Councilmen - Terms.
- B. Ordinance Serial No. 97-68; Amending Chapter 2.04.010, City Council Composition, and 2.04.030, Election of Councilmen - Terms.
- C. Ordinance Serial No. 97-69; Amending Section 9.08.040, Insurance Required, of the Wasilla Municipal Code.
- D. Ordinance Serial No. 97-66; Rezone the South ½ of Tract A6, Section 13, T17N, R1W, Seward Meridian, from RR-Rural Residential to C-Commercial, a tract of land generally located South of the Parks Highway and West of Carson Street.
- E. Ordinance Serial No. 97-67; Amending the Wasilla Development Code, Section 16.43.204, Definitions, and 16.43.706, Parking.

6. PERSONS TO BE HEARD: (3 MINUTE LIMIT)

- A. Dan Kennedy; Chamber of Commerce
- B. Ray Michaelson; Mat-Su Youth Corrections (Mr. Michaelson requests 15 minutes to make his presentation)

7. COMMISSION REPORTS:

8. UNFINISHED BUSINESS: *A. Ordinance Serial No. 97-66.*

- B. ~~A.~~ Rules of Council Procedure
- C. ~~B.~~ Ordinance Serial No. 97-60; Amending the Wasilla Development Code, Section 16.43.402, Administrative Approval and Use Permits, Section 16.43.502, Procedure for Elevations, Section 16.43.506, Procedure for Commission Approval with Regard to Mail-Out Requirements for Public Notice, and Section 16.43.804, Subdivisions. **(Reconsideration requested by Councilman Fuller)** - *Postponed until 12/08/97.*

- D. e. Ordinance Serial No. 97-65; Amending the FY-98 Budget by Appropriating Additional Funds to the Library Fund (State Library Grant)
- E. d. Ordinance Serial No. 97-64; Amending the FY-98 Budget by Appropriating Additional Funds to the General Fund (Police Department forfeited asset account revenues)

9. NEW BUSINESS:

- A. Ordinance Serial No.97-70; Amending the FY-98 Budget by appropriating funds to the General Fund (Museum of Transportation and Industry) (**Introduction**)
- B. CM. No. 97-84; Jr. Iditarod; Grant request
- C. Approval of Vacation of Mountain Village Drive
- D. CM. No. 97-82; Matanuska - Susitna Borough Assembly Meeting Schedule
- E. CM. No. 97-83; City Clerk Supervisors
- F. CM. No. 97-86; Chapter 2.20.100, Conflict of Interest of the Wasilla Municipal Code.
- G. CM. No. 97-87; The Old Airport Site Naming Contest

10. EXECUTIVE SESSION (None Scheduled)

11. COMMUNICATIONS:

- A. Statement of Expenditures
- B. State of Expenditures, Encumbrances & Appropriations, 10/97
- C. Wasilla Planning Commission Meeting Minutes, 10/28/97
- D. Wasilla Planning Commission Meeting Minutes, 11/13/97
- E. Wasilla Parks & Recreation Meeting Minutes, 11/18/97
- F. Bond marketing approaches for the City of Wasilla

12. STAFF REPORTS:

13. AUDIENCE COMMENTS:

14. COUNCIL COMMENTS:

15. ADJOURNMENT:

**NOTE: The next regular meeting of the Wasilla City Council will be
MONDAY, DECEMBER 8, 1997 AT 7:00 P.M.**



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CITY OF WASILLA REGULAR MEETING MONDAY, NOVEMBER 24, 1997

1. CALL TO ORDER, PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:

The meeting of the Wasilla City Council was held on Monday, November 24, 1997, at the Wasilla City Council Chambers, Wasilla, Alaska. Mayor Sarah Palin called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m., and led the Pledge of Allegiance.

ROLL CALL:

Council Members present and establishing a quorum were:

Mr. Dave Chappel
Mrs. Colleen Cottle
Mr. Norman Fuller
Mrs. Dianne Keller
Mrs. Judy Patrick

Staffs in attendance were:

Mrs. Sarah Palin, Mayor
Mr. John Cramer, Deputy Administrator
Mrs. Mary Ellen Emmons, Library Director
Mr. Charlie Fannon, Chief of Police
Mr. Ken Jacobus, City Attorney
Mr. Tim Krug, City Planner
Mr. Erling Nelson, Finance Director
Mrs. Jamie Newman, Acting City Clerk
Mrs. Cindy Roberts, Director of Public Works

3. APPROVAL OF AGENDA:

Council Member Chappel moved, and Council Member Keller seconded, to hear Ordinance Serial No. 97-66 under public hearing as scheduled, and then place it under unfinished business, as item A. for discussion, not action. The motion passed with Councilwoman Cottle opposed.

Council Member Fuller requested that Ordinance Serial No. 97-60 be postponed until the next regular meeting of December 8, 1997. There was no objection.

4. CONSENT AGENDA:

A. Regular Meeting Minutes 10/27/97; Recommend: Approval as presented.

B. Special Meeting Minutes 10/31/97; Recommend: Approval as presented.

C. Resolution No. WR97-47; Authorizing the Mayor to submit an application for a loan to the Alaska Drinking Water Fund to fund the Knik-Goose Bay Water Main Extension; Recommend: Approval as presented.

D. Ordinance Serial No. 97-71; Amending the FY-98 Budget by appropriating additional funds to the Sewer Loan Fund; Recommend: Introduction and schedule for public hearing at the next regular meeting, 12/08/97.

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F. Ordinance Serial No. 97-73; Amending chapter 9.04, Business License of the Wasilla Municipal Code; Recommend: Introduction and schedule for public hearing at the next regular meeting, 12/08/97.

G. CM. No. 97-85; Appointment of Bernadette Rupright to the Parks and Recreation Commission, and Ray McCarthy to the Planning Commission; Recommend: Concurrence with the appointments.

Council Member Fuller moved, and Council Member Chappel seconded, that the consent agenda comprising of the foregoing items be 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. The motion passed unanimously.

Council Member Chappel requested that the special meeting minutes of October 31, 1997 be corrected by striking the last sentence on page one. There was no objection.

Council Member Patrick requested that the regular meeting minutes of October 27, 1997 be corrected by striking the word "neatly" under approval of agenda, and inserting "nearly." There was no objection.

5. PUBLIC HEARING:

A. Ordinance Serial No. 97-63; Amending Chapter 2.04.010, City Council Composition and 2.04.030, Election of Councilmen - Terms.

Mayor Palin opened the public hearing on Ordinance Serial No. 97-63.

Anne Kilkenny; Mrs. Kilkenny stated she favors Ordinance Serial No. 97-63 and is opposed to Ordinance Serial No. 97-68.

Being no other persons wishing to be heard Mayor Palin closed the public hearing.

B. Ordinance Serial No. 97-68; Amending Chapter 2.04.010, City Council Composition, and 2.04.030, Election of Councilmen - Terms.

Mayor Palin opened the public hearing on Ordinance Serial No. 97-68. Being no persons wishing to be heard Mayor Palin closed the public hearing.

C Ordinance Serial No. 97-69; Amending Section 9.08.040, Insurance Required, of the Wasilla Municipal Code.

Mayor Palin opened the public hearing on Ordinance Serial No. 97-69.

Curtis Philbin, City Cab; Mr. Philbin urged council to consider decreasing the insurance requirements for cabs.

Being no other persons wishing to be heard Mayor Palin closed the public hearing.

D. Ordinance Serial No. 97-66; Rezone the South ½ of Tract A6, Section 13, T17N, R1W, Seward Meridian, from RR-Rural Residential to C-Commercial, a tract of land generally located South of the Parks Highway and West of Carson Street.

The following individuals testified in opposition to the proposed re-zone of Tract A6, from RR-Rural Residential to C-Commercial: Tom Lannen, Johnna Smith, Wade Roberts, Joe Osborne, Gayle Osborne, Beverly Nash, Shantee Sheltner, Rita Davila, Don Shiesl, Hascle Kent, and Doug Smith.

The majority of individuals testifying stated that they would support the re-zone with the following conditions attached:

1. The entire lot would be zoned C-Commercial.
2. A 100' greenbelt would run the entire length of the west side lot line and would be left in a natural state.

3. An eight-foot fence, topped with barbed wire, would run the length of the western property line.

4. The road, Danny's Way, would dead end at the existing pavement end, and would not be used for through traffic to the property.

The following individuals spoke in favor of the re-zone: Steve Stoll, Mike Carson, and Crystal Carson, Doug Smith, Steve Gallager, and Howard Carr.

Being no other persons wishing to be heard Mayor Palin closed the public hearing.

Ordinance Serial No. 97-67; Amending the Wasilla Development Code, Section 16.43.204, Definitions, and 16.43.706, Parking.

Mayor Palin opened the public hearing on Ordinance Serial No. 97-67. Being no other persons wishing to be heard Mayor Palin closed the public hearing.

PERSONS TO BE HEARD:

A. Dan Kennedy, President of the Greater Wasilla Chamber of Commerce: Mr. Kennedy introduced himself to the council, as the newly elected President of the Greater Wasilla Chamber of Commerce. He thanked Council for all of their support, and stated he is looking forward to working with the City of Wasilla.

B. Ray Michaelson: Mat-Su Youth Corrections: Mr. Michaelson and Mr. Buhite gave council an over view of the proposed youth correction facility. Requesting input from the council.

7. COMMISSION REPORTS:

Mr. John Cannon, Wasilla Planning Commissioner: Commissioner Cannon stated that the commission is looking forward to working with newly appointed Commissioner Ray McCarthy. The planning commission passed a resolution, and will be forwarding it on to the council. The resolution addresses the issue of shoreline setback exceptions. The commission is recommending a new fee schedule that would include a variance application, as it was overlooked when the new development code was prepared.

No other reports were given.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

A. Ordinance Serial No. 97-66; Rezone the South ½ of Tract A6, Section 13, T17N, R1W, Seward Meridian, from RR-Rural Residential to C-Commercial, a tract of land generally located South of the Parks Highway and West of Carson Street.

Council Member Chappel moved, and Council Member Patrick seconded, to direct administration to bring forth at the next regular meeting, a substitute Ordinance Serial No. 97-66, incorporating the following conditions:

1. The entire lot would be zoned C-Commercial.
2. A 100' greenbelt would run the entire length of the West Side lot line and would be left in a natural state.
3. An eight-foot fence, topped with barbed wire, would run the length of the western property line.
4. The road, Danny's Way, would dead end at the existing pavement end and would not be used for through traffic to the property; and

to strike "topped with barbed wire," in the 3rd condition, and to clarify that the first three conditions would only apply to a 10,000 foot or larger structure.

The motion passed with Councilman Fuller opposed.

Council Member Chappel requested a recess. There was no objection.

RECESS: 8:45 p.m. to 9:00 p.m.

B. Rules of Council Procedure

Council Member Chappel moved, and Council Member Patrick seconded, to delay action on the Rules of Council Procedure, until the second meeting in January. There was no objection.

C. Ordinance Serial No. 97-60; Amending the Wasilla Development Code, Section 16.43.402, Administrative Approval and Use Permits, Section 16.43.502, Procedure for Elevations, Section 16.43.506, Procedure for Commission Approval with Regard to Mail-Out Requirements for Public Notice, Section 16.43.804, Subdivisions.

Council Member Fuller requested Ordinance Serial No. 97-60 be postponed until the meeting of December 8, 1997. (see page 1)

D. Ordinance Serial No. 97-65; Amending the FY-98 Budget by Appropriating Additional Funds to the Library Fund (State Library Grant)

Council Member Chappel moved, and Council Member Keller seconded, to adopt Ordinance Serial No. 97-65. The motion passed unanimously.

E. Ordinance Serial No. 97-64; Amending the FY-98 Budget by Appropriating Additional Funds to the General Fund (Police Department forfeited asset account revenues)

Council Member Patrick moved, and Council Member Keller seconded, to adopt Ordinance Serial No. 97-64. The motion passed unanimously.

9. NEW BUSINESS:

A. Ordinance Serial No. 97-70; Amending the FY-98 Budget by appropriating funds to the General Fund (Museum of Transportation and Industry) (Introduction)

Council Member Patrick moved, and Council Member Chappel seconded, to introduce Ordinance Serial No. 97-70 and schedule it for public hearing at the next regular meeting of December 8, 1997.

Council Member Patrick moved, and Council Member Cottle seconded, to amend Ordinance Serial No. 97-70, by striking the \$10,000, bringing it forward as a request for \$8,754. The amendment failed with Fuller and Keller in favor.

The main motion passed unanimously.

B. CM. No. 97-84; Jr. Iditarod; Grant request

Council Member Keller moved, and Council Member Patrick seconded, to approve CM. No. 97-84, granting the Jr. Iditarod \$5,000 for the 1998 season, and to identify that the funds are to come from the economic development fund. The motion passed unanimously.

C. Approval of Vacation of Mountain Village Drive

Council Member Keller moved, and Council Member Chappel seconded, to object to the vacation of Mountain Village Drive. The motion passed unanimously.

D. CM. No. 97-82; Matanuska - Susitna Borough Assembly Meeting Schedule

There was no objection from the council, to approve CM. No. 97-82, a nine-month schedule for attendance to the Matanuska - Susitna Borough Assembly Meetings. It was also requested that Council Member Cottle attend in June, and Council Member Patrick attend in March. There was no objection.

E. CM. No. 97-83; City Clerk Supervisors

There was no objection from the council, to approve CM. No. 97-83, appointing Council Member Chappel as a city clerk supervisor. Council Member Keller requested to also serve as a supervisor. There was no objection.

F. CM. No. 97-86; Chapter 2.20.100, Conflict of Interest of the Wasilla Municipal Code.

There was no objection from the council to approve CM. No. 97-86, authorizing Council Member Chappel and any other interested council members to work with Mr. Jacobus, to draft an amendment to the issue of conflict of interest as defined in the Wasilla Municipal Code. There was no objection.

G. CM. No. 97-87; The Old Airport Site Naming Contest

The council anonymously wrote down their name selection for the Old Airport Site. The selections were given to Ms. Denise Loyer, Chair of the Parks and Recreation Commission, for unveiling at the Christmas Tree Lighting Ceremony at Wonderland on December 6, 1997.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

No executive session was held.

11. COMMUNICATIONS:

- A. Statement of Expenditures
- B. State of Expenditures, Encumbrances & Appropriations, October 1997.
- C. Wasilla Planning Commission Meeting Minutes, 10/28/97
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No action was taken on any of the communication items.

12. STAFF REPORTS:

John Cramer, Deputy Administrator: Mr. Cramer reported that the water line purchase with the Floyd Peterson Estate has been finalized. December 6th, is Wasilla Communities Christmas Celebration, it is taking place at the Old Wasilla Town Site, as well, as Wonderland Park. The theme is Christmas Past at Santa's Village. Mr. Cramer encouraged everyone to attend if possible. The event will be held from 11:30 a.m. to 2:30 p.m., and then the Christmas tree lighting at Wonderland will be from 3:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m. The City of Wasilla is currently holding a canned food drive, through December 22nd. The winter banners will be up next week.

Erling Nelson, Finance Director: Mr. Nelson stated he has been compiling information on a sewer and water rate study. Once it is complete, he will forward the document to the public works department for review. Finance is working with the auditors to finalize the FY-97 audit. They will present it to the council as the earliest opportunity.

Ken Jacobus, City Attorney: Mr. Jacobus reported that the city has been sued, and the matter has been referred to the insurance company.

Mary Ellen Emmons, Library Director: Mrs. Emmons thanked the council for approving the public library systems grant. She also stated that the city is not eligible to receive a grant from the Gates Library Foundation this year, however, she will continue to pursue the matter as the program develops.

Charlie Fannon, Chief of Police: Chief Fannon thanked the council for approving Ordinance Serial No. 97-64, and stated most of the funds will go towards supplies for the DARE program. He requested input from the council on the proposed youth correctional facility. Chief Fannon is on the site selection committee.

Tim Krug, City Planner: Mr. Krug reported that the City of Wasilla has successfully made the FAA airport improvement two-year plan list. The airport could possibly be paved as soon as 1999. The planning office is also pursuing a design grant for the airport from the FAA.

13. AUDIENCE COMMENTS

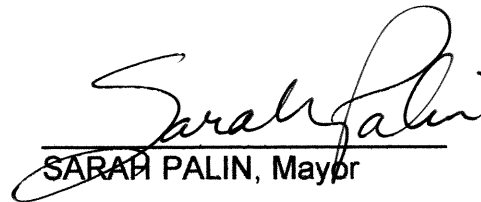
Anne Kilkenny: Mrs. Kilkenny requested the following comments be made for the record: "Because the council minutes reflect only motions passed, or failed, and not discussion, I think Councilwoman Cottle brought up something important, worth being noted in the minutes. I would like it noted that she, noticed that it appeared to her, that the request to vacate Mt. Village Drive would involve giving 1 ½ acres, approximately of public land, to the two property owners requesting the vacation. I just thought that, that should be in the record, that, that was part of the discussion and one of the issues raised."

14. COUNCIL COMMENTS:

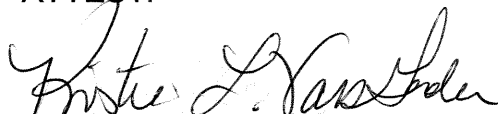
Councilwoman Keller stated she would attend the work-session on the 8th of December, however, she will be late for the council meeting. She asked to be excused until she is able to arrive.

15. ADJOURNMENT:

The meeting adjourned at 10:40 p.m.


SARAH PALIN, Mayor

ATTEST:


KRISTIE L. VANGORDER, CMC
City Clerk