



CITY OF WASILLA
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MAYOR
Sarah Palin
COUNCIL
Norman Fuller, Seat A
Diann e M. Keller, Seat B
David W. Chappel, Seat C
Judy Patrick, Seat D
Colleen G. Cottle, Seat E
Domonic L. Carney, Seat F

**WASILLA CITY COUNCIL
MEETING AGENDA**

REGULAR MEETING

7 P.M.

MONDAY, JULY 13, 1998

1. CALL TO ORDER
2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE
3. ROLL CALL
4. APPROVAL OF AGENDA
5. COMMISSION/AGENCY REPORTS
6. CONSENT AGENDA
 - A. Minutes of Preceding Meetings:
 1. Regular Meeting Minutes: June 22, 1998
 - B. Introductions (Suggested Public Hearing: July 27, 1998)
 - A. **Ordinance Serial No. 98-33:** Directing The City Clerk To Submit An Advisory Question To Designate One Million Dollars (\$1,000,000) For Upgrade And Development Of Iditapark And Bumpus Recreation Area Public Use Areas To The Qualified Voters Of The City At The October 6, 1998, Regular Election. (Requested By Council Member Chappel) (IM No. 98-94)
 - C. Resolutions
 - D. Council Memorandums
 1. **CM No. 98-37:** Establishment Of Grant Request Procedure. (Requested by Council Member Keller)
 2. **CM No. 98-38:** Award of Contract, Wasilla City Hall Heating Upgrade.

3. **CM No. 98-39:** Award of Contract, Spruce Avenue Phase 1A - Weber Drive Paving Bid.

7. PUBLIC HEARING (Three minutes per person.)
 - A. **Ordinance Serial No. 98-27(Substitute):** "Adopting Chapter 13.60, Skateboarding." (Postponed from June 22, 1998) (IM No. 98-53) (Requested by Council Member Chappel)
 - B. **Ordinance Serial No. 98-30:** "Amending WMC 16.43.204, And Adopting WMC 16.43.802, Non-conforming Structures and Uses, Repealing WMC 16.43.802, Non-conformities." (IM No. 98-56)
 - C. **Ordinance Serial No. 98-31:** "Amending the FY-99 Budget by Appropriating Funds to the Capital Improvements Fund to Purchase Tax Parcel D2, Section 7, T17N, R1W, S.M. and a Portion of Tax Parcel B1, Section 8, T17N, R1W, S.M." (IM No. 98-57)
 - D. **Ordinance Serial No. 98-32:** "Directing the City Clerk to Submit the Question of a Manager Plan of Government to the Qualified Voters of the City at the October 6, 1998, Regular City Election." (IM No. 98-62) (Requested by Council Member Chappel)

8. PERSONS TO BE HEARD (Three minutes per person.)

9. UNFINISHED BUSINESS
 - A. **CM No. 98-34:** Library Funding Shortfall. (IM No. 98-65)

10. NEW BUSINESS
 - A. **CM No. 98-40:** Wasilla Area Seniors, Inc. Water Payments.
 - B. **Resolution Serial No. 98-33:** Calling For A Ballot Proposition To Be Presented To The Voters Of The City Of Wasilla, Alaska At The October 6, 1998 Regular Election, Authorizing The Issuance Of A General Obligation Bond Issue Not The Exceed Ten Million Dollars (\$10,000,000) For The Upgrade And Construction Of Water And Sewer Utilities And Storm Drainage Facilities In The City Of Wasilla, And Authorizing A .75 Percent Increase In Sales Tax (To A Maximum Of 2.75 Percent) To Pay For The General Obligation Bonds. (Requested By Council Member Fuller) (IM No. 98-66)

11. COMMUNICATIONS
 - A. **IM No. 98-67:** Statement of Expenditures, Encumbrances and Appropriations for May 1998.
 - B. Wasilla Parks And Recreation Commission Resolution Serial No. 98-03: Recommending That The City Of Wasilla Pursue Acquisition Of Parks Powers From The Mat-Su Borough Over Parks Within The City Of Wasilla.
 - C. Draft Wasilla Planning Commission Minutes: June 23, 1998.

12. MAYOR, CLERK, AND ATTORNEY COMMENTS
13. AUDIENCE COMMENTS (Three minutes per person.)
14. EXECUTIVE SESSION
15. COUNCIL COMMENTS
16. ADJOURNMENT

1. CALL TO ORDER

The regular meeting of the Wasilla City Council has held on Monday, July 13 1998, at the Wasilla City Council Chambers, Wasilla Alaska. Mayor Sarah Palin called the meeting to order at 7 p.m.

2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Mayor Palin led the Pledge of Allegiance.

3. ROLL CALL

Council Members present and establishing a quorum were:

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

Staff in attendance were:

Mrs. Kristie VanGorder, City Clerk
Mrs. Jamie Newman, Deputy Clerk
Mr. John Cramer, Deputy Administrator
Mr. Ken Jacobus, City Attorney
Ms. Mary Ellen Baker, Library Director
Mr. Charlie Fannon, Chief of Police
Mr. Tim Krug, City Planner
Mr. Erling Nelson, Finance Director
Mrs. Cindy Roberts, Public Works Director

4. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Mayor Palin requested the following change:

- To move Resolution Serial No. 98-33 from the consent agenda to new business.

GENERAL CONSENT: There was no objection to the agenda as amended.

5. COMMISSION/AGENCY REPORTS

Ms. Denise Loyer, Wasilla Parks and Recreation Commission:

- Informed the council that the commission is discussing improvements to Bumpus Ballfields with the Mat-Su Softball Association.
- Stated that the commission has passed a resolution requesting Parks Powers.
- Reported that there is a vacant seat on the commission.
- Announced that a special meeting has been scheduled for July 23.

Mr. Howard O'Neil, Wasilla Planning Commission:

- Informed the council that the commission is working on a conditional use permit for Fred Meyer.
- Reported that the Local Boundary Commission will be meeting on July 17, to discuss the Fred Meyer annexation.
- Stated that staff has issued approximately 80 use permits this summer season.

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3. CM No. 98-39: Award of Contract, Spruce Avenue Phase 1A - Weber Drive Paving Bid.

MOTION: Council Member Chappel moved, Council Member Patrick seconded, to adopt the consent agenda.

VOTE: The motion passed unanimously.

7. PUBLIC HEARING

- A. Ordinance Serial No. 98-27(substitute): "Adopting Chapter 13.60, Skateboarding." (IM No. 98-53) (Requested By Council Member Chappel) (Postponed from June 22, 1998)

Mayor Palin opened the public hearing.

Mrs. Judy Crothers stated she supports the positive changes made to the substitute ordinance, however, she does not support the city's right to confiscate skateboards.

Mr. James McGowen, Mr. Kevin Worell, Ms. Cathy Baretch, Mr. Jeremy Cotton, Mr. Seth Wilson, and Mr. Erik Howk spoke in opposition to the ordinance.

A written statement from Ms. Marian Elliott, opposing the ordinance was presented to the council.

There being no other persons wishing to be heard, the public hearing was closed.

MOTION: Council Member Chappel moved, Council Member Keller seconded a primary amendment by substitution, to adopt Ordinance Serial No. 98-27 (substitute).

Discussion followed.

MOTION: Council Member Chappel moved, Council Member Keller seconded, to postpone the substitute ordinance until the last meeting in August.

VOTE: The motion passed unanimously.

- B. Ordinance Serial No. 98-30: "Amending WMC 16.43.204, And Adopting WMC 16.43.802, Non-conforming Structures and Uses, Repealing WMC 16.43.802, Non-conformities." (IM No. 98-56)

Mayor Palin opened the public hearing, and there being no persons wishing to be heard, the public hearing was closed.

MOTION: Council Member Patrick moved, Council Member Keller seconded, to adopt Ordinance Serial No. 98-30.

Discussion followed.

Mayor Palin requested that the issue be postponed to later in the evening. There was no objection.

- C. Ordinance Serial No. 98-31: "Amending the FY-99 Budget by Appropriating Funds to the Capital Improvements Fund to Purchase Tax Parcel D2, Section 7, T17N, R1W, S.M. and a Portion of Tax Parcel B1, Section 8, T17N, R1W, S.M." (IM No. 98-57)

Mayor Palin opened the public hearing, and there being no persons wishing to be heard, the public hearing was closed.

MOTION: Council Member Keller moved, Council Member Patrick seconded, to adopt Ordinance Serial No. 98-31.

VOTE: The motion passed unanimously.

- D. Ordinance Serial No. 98-32: "Directing the City Clerk to Submit the Question of a Manager Plan of Government to the Qualified Voters of the City at the October 6, 1998, Regular City Election." (IM No. 98-62) (Requested by Council Member Chappel)

Mayor Palin opened the public hearing, and there being no persons wishing to be heard, the public hearing was closed.

MOTION: Council Member Carney moved, Council Member Fuller seconded, to adopt Ordinance Serial No. 98-32.

Discussion followed.

VOTE: The motion failed with Council Members Carney and Fuller in favor.

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MOTION: Council Member Chappel moved, Council Member Keller seconded, a primary amendment, to insert the following sentence, after the first sentence, in section 16.43.803 (c) "The city planner shall obtain input from the property owners, lessees, insurance companies, appraisers, and others as deemed necessary and appropriate by the city planner in making the decision."

VOTE: The primary amendment passed with Council Member Carney opposed.

VOTE: The main motion, as amended, passed unanimously.

8. PERSONS TO BE HEARD (Three minutes per person.)

9. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

- A. CM No. 98-34: Library Funding Shortfall. (IM No. 98-65) (Postponed from June 22, 1998)

PREVIOUS MOTION: Council Member Chappel moved, Council Member Keller seconded, to adopt CM No. 98-34. (Motion made at the meeting of June 22, 1998.)

MOTION: Council Member Chappel moved, Council Member Patrick seconded, to postpone until the next meeting, and to direct administration to present additional information at the meeting.

VOTE: The motion passed with Council Member Carney opposed.

The meeting recessed from 8:30 p.m. to 8:45 p.m.

10. NEW BUSINESS

- A. CM No. 98-40: Wasilla Area Seniors, Inc. Water Payments.

MOTION: Council Member Patrick moved, Council Member Keller seconded, to adopt CM No. 98-40 and grant WASI \$3,000 for their water bill, this year only.

Discussion followed.

MOTION: Council Member Chappel moved, Council Member Cottle seconded a primary amendment, to reduce the amount to \$1,500.

VOTE: The primary amendment passed with Council Member Keller opposed.

VOTE: The main motion, as amended, passed with Council Members Carney and Keller opposed.

- B. Resolution Serial No. 98-33: Calling For A Ballot Proposition To Be Presented To The Voters Of The City Of Wasilla, Alaska At The October 6, 1998 Regular Election, Authorizing The Issuance Of A General Obligation Bond Issue Not The Exceed Ten Million Dollars (\$10,000,000) For The Upgrade And Construction Of Water And Sewer Utilities And Storm Drainage Facilities In The City Of Wasilla, And Authorizing A .75 Percent Increase In Sales Tax (To A Maximum Of 2.75 Percent) To Pay For The General Obligation Bonds. (Requested By Council Member Fuller) (IM No. 98-66)

MOTION: Council Member Fuller moved, Council Member Chappel seconded, to adopt Resolution Serial No. 98-33.

Discussion followed.

VOTE: The motion failed with Council Members Carney and Fuller in favor.

11. EXECUTIVE SESSION

No executive session was held.

12. COMMUNICATIONS

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No action was taken on any of the communication items.

13. MAYOR, CLERK, AND ATTORNEY COMMENTS

Mrs. VanGorder, City Clerk

- Announced that the Department of Justice has pre-cleared the revised election code.

Mayor Palin:

- Announced that on Friday, July 17, at 2 p.m., a meeting will be held regarding the trailhead staging area for winter recreation. Representatives from Mayor Mystrom's administration, as well as, the borough will be in attendance.
- Reported that the second ground breaking ceremony was held at the Wasilla skateboard park.
- Informed the council that the company constructing the skateboard park is interested in working with the city to provide additional recreation ice.
- Requested support from the council in pursuing the expansion potential at Wasilla Lake park.

14. AUDIENCE COMMENTS

No comments were made.

15. COUNCIL COMMENTS

Council Member Fuller:

- Supports the Mayor pursuing the expansion of Wasilla Lake park.
- Thanked city staff for all of their assistance.

Council Member Keller:

- Spoke in favor of the Mayor pursuing the expansion of Wasilla Lake park.
- Spoke in favor of the development at the airport.

Council Member Cottle:

- Supports the Mayor pursuing the expansion of Wasilla Lake park.
- Commended the parks crews for their beautiful flowers.

Council Member Chappel:

- Spoke in favor of the Mayor pursuing the expansion of Wasilla Lake park.
- Voiced concern about the possible illegal activities at Wasilla Lake park.

Council Member Patrick:

- Supports the Mayor pursuing the expansion of Wasilla Lake park.

16. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 10 p.m.



SARAH PALIN, Mayor

ATTEST:



KRISTIE L. VANGORDER, CMC/AAE

Minutes Approved: July 27, 1998