



MAYOR
Sarah Palin

COUNCIL
Norman Fuller, Seat A
Dianne M. Keller, Seat B
Noel H. Lowe, Seat C
Judy Patrick, Seat D
Colleen G. Cottle, Seat E
Don Bennett, Seat F

**WASILLA CITY COUNCIL
MEETING AGENDA**

WASILLA CITY COUNCIL CHAMBERS
Wasilla City Hall, 290 East Herning Avenue, Wasilla, AK 99654 (907) 373-9090

REGULAR MEETING **7 P.M.** **MONDAY, JANUARY 10, 2000**

1. CALL TO ORDER
2. ROLL CALL
3. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE
4. APPROVAL OF AGENDA
5. SPECIAL ORDERS
 - A. Historical Society Presentation
6. COMMISSION/AGENCY REPORT
 - A. Planning Commission
 - B. Parks And Recreation Commission
 - C. Matanuska-Susitna Borough
 - D. Mat-Su Youth Court Report
7. CONSENT AGENDA
 - A. Minutes of Preceding Meeting:
 1. Regular Meeting: December 13, 1999.
 2. Special Meeting: December 27, 1999.

B. Introductions (Public Hearing To Be Scheduled For: January 24, 2000)

1. **Ordinance Serial No. 00-05:** Amending The FY-00 Budget By Revising The Revenue Budget Accounts In The Youth Court Special Revenue Fund To Match Actual Grant Awards. (IM No. 00-07)
2. **Ordinance Serial No. 00-06:** Amending The FY-00 Budget By Appropriating Funds To The Vehicle Fund. (IM No. 00-06)
3. **Ordinance Serial No. 00-07:** Adopting WMC. 14.02, State Traffic Laws Adopted, And Repealing WMC Chapter 14.01, Uniform Traffic Laws And Bail Schedule. (IM 00-09)
4. **Ordinance Serial No. 00-08:** Adopting WMC Chapter 13.70, Trespass On Public And Private Property And Vehicles. (IM No. 00-10)
5. **Ordinance Serial No. 00-09** Adopting WMC 1.24.015, General Penalty, And Repealing WMC 1.24.010, General Penalty. (IM No. 00-11)
6. **Ordinance Serial No. 00-10:** Adopting WMC 6.24, Preference For City Purchasing And Contract Awards, And Repealing WMC 6.24.190-.220 Local Preference. (IM No. 00-13)

C. Resolutions

1. **Resolution Serial No. 00-02:** Complying With The Requirements Of AS 37.06.020(k) Of The Municipal Capital Matching Grant Program.
2. **Resolution Serial No. 00-03:** Supporting The Alaska Railroad's Track Upgrade And Realignment Project. (IM No. 00-05)
3. **Resolution Serial No. 00-04:** Accepting Alaska Department OF Environmental Conservation Municipal Grants For Water, Sewer, And Storm Water Projects. (IM No. 00-12)

D. Council Memorandums

1. **CM No. 00-02:** Appointment of Planning Commissioner.

8. PUBLIC HEARING (Three minutes per person.)
 - A. **Ordinance Serial No. 00-02:** Amending Chapter 2.64, Conditions Of Board And Commissions, Amending Chapter 8.01, Planning Commission, And Amending Chapter 8.10 Parks And Recreation Commission, And Repealing Chapter 8.05 Utility Boards. (IM No. 00-02) (Requested by Council Member Bennett)
 - B. **Ordinance Serial No. 00-03:** Amending They FY-2000 Budget By Appropriating Funds To The Asset Forfeiture Special Revenue Fund For Purchase Of Police Supplies And Equipment. (IM No. 00-03)
 - C. **Ordinance Serial No. 00-04:** Amending The FY-2000 Budget By Appropriating Funds To The CIP Fund For The Development Of Sports Facilities At The Bumpus Recreational Area. (IM No. 00-04)
9. PERSONS TO BE HEARD (Three minutes per person.)
10. UNFINISHED BUSINESS
11. NEW BUSINESS
 - A. **Ordinance Serial No. 00-11:** Amending The FY-00 Budget By Appropriating Funds To The General Fund For Professional Services Funding For The MBL Group. (IM No. 00-15)
 - B. **CM No. 00-01:** Iditapark Master Plan Approval.
12. COMMUNICATION
 - A. **IM No. 00-14:** Wasilla Area Seniors, Inc. Board Of Directors.
 - B. **IM No. 00-08:** November 1998 Expenditure Report.
 - C. Parks And Recreation Commission: Draft Regular Meeting Minutes Of December 9, 1999.
13. MAYOR, CLERK, AND ATTORNEY COMMENTS
14. AUDIENCE COMMENTS (Three minutes per person.)
15. EXECUTIVE SESSION
 - A. Land Acquisition/Pending Litigation (Requested by Council Member Cottle)
16. COUNCIL COMMENTS
17. ADJOURNMENT

1. CALL TO ORDER

The regular meeting of the Wasilla City Council was held on Monday, January 10, 2000, at the Wasilla City Council Chambers, Wasilla, Alaska. Mayor Palin called the meeting to order at 7 p.m.

2. ROLL CALL

Council Members present and establishing a quorum were:

Don Bennett
Colleen Cottle
Norm Fuller
Noel Lowe
Dianne Keller
Judy Patrick

Staff in attendance were:

Kristie VanGorder, City Clerk
Jamie Newman, Deputy Clerk
Ric Davidge, Economic Development Planner
Charlie Fannon, Police Chief
Ken Jacobus, City Attorney
Tim Krug, City Planner
Ted Leonard, Senior Accountant
Erling Nelson, Finance Director
Don Shiesl, Public Works Director

3. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Mayor Palin led the Pledge of Allegiance.

4. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Mayor Palin:

- Requested to add CM No. 00-02 to the consent agenda.

Council Member Cottle:

- Requested to move Ordinance Serial No. 00-11 and CM No. 00-01 to new business.

Council Member Patrick objected to moving Ordinance Serial No. 00-11 to new business.

Mayor Palin divided the question.

VOTE: The request to move Ordinance Serial No. 00-11 to new business passed with Council Member Patrick opposed.

VOTE: The request to move CM No. 00-01 to new business passed unanimously.

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

5. SPECIAL ORDERS

A. Historical Society Presentation

Mr. Leroi Haven requested to postpone the presentation until the next regular city council meeting.

GENERAL CONSENT: There was no objection.

6. COMMISSION/AGENCY REPORT

A. Planning Commission

Commissioner Bernadette Rupright:

- Commented on Iditapark Lighting.
- Spoke about bike path priorities.
- Requested clarification on Ordinance Serial No. 00-02.
- Stated the parks and recreation commission did not recommend the phasing options referred to in CM No. 00-02.

B. Parks And Recreation Commission

No report was given.

C. Matanuska-Susitna Borough

No report was given.

D. Mat-Su Youth Court Report

Mr. Jim Messick, Ms. Lisa Makar, and Miss Shannon Gerry:

- Thanked the council for supporting the Youth Court Program.
- Presented statistics on the program.

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1. **CM No. 00-02:** Appointment of Wasilla Planning Commissioner

MOTION: Council Member Keller moved to adopt the consent agenda.

VOTE: The motion passed unanimously.

8. PUBLIC HEARING

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Mayor Palin opened the public hearing.

Ms. Bernadette Rupright requested clarification on section 2.64.030.

Mr. Steve Glos commented on 2.64.010(B).

Ms. Deb Remus spoke in opposition to the provision that requires all members of the commission to be city residents.

There being no others wishing to be heard, the public hearing was closed and discussion moved to the council.

MOTION: Council Member Bennett moved to adopt Ordinance Serial No. 00-02.

Discussion continued.

MOTION: Council Member Keller moved a primary amendment to amend 8.10.050(A), to strike "Regular meetings are held on the third Thursday of each month".

Discussion followed on the primary amendment.

VOTE: The primary amendment passed unanimously.

MOTION: Council Member Fuller moved a primary amendment to 8.10.010(A), to read: "The parks and recreation commission is established consisting of seven members, at least five of which are residents of the city".

Discussion followed on the primary amendment.

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

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

- B. **Ordinance Serial No. 00-03:** Amending They FY-2000 Budget By Appropriating Funds To The Asset Forfeiture Special Revenue Fund For Purchase Of Police Supplies And Equipment. (IM No. 00-03)

Mayor Palin opened the public hearing and there being no one wishing to be heard, the public hearing was closed and discussion moved to the council.

MOTION: Council Member Keller moved to adopt Ordinance Serial No. 00-03.

VOTE: The motion passed unanimously.

- C. **Ordinance Serial No. 00-04:** Amending The FY-2000 Budget By Appropriating Funds To The CIP Fund For The Development Of Sports Facilities At The Bumpus Recreational Area. (IM No. 00-04)

Mayor Palin opened the public hearing.

The following spoke in favor of the ordinance: Mr. Verdie Bowen, Ms. Angie Johnson, Mr. Jim Hayes, and Mr. Ken Langlois.

Mr. Steve Glos requested the city honor past promises by providing sight and sound buffers to protect the residents of the area.

There being no others wishing to be heard, the public hearing was closed and discussion moved to the council.

MOTION: Council Member Keller moved to adopt Ordinance Serial No. 00-04.

Discussion followed.

VOTE: The motion passed unanimously.

9. PERSONS TO BE HEARD

No comments were made.

10. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

There was no unfinished business.

11. NEW BUSINESS

- A. **Ordinance Serial No. 00-11:** Amending The FY-00 Budget By Appropriating Funds To The General Fund For Professional Services Funding For The MBL Group. (IM No. 00-15)

MOTION: Council Member Fuller moved to introduce Ordinance Serial No. 00-11 and schedule for public hearing at the regular meeting of January 24, 2000.

Discussion followed.

MOTION: Council Member Patrick moved the previous question to close debate.

OBJECTION: Council Member Lowe objected.

Discussion continued.

MOTION: Council Member Patrick moved the previous question to close debate.

OBJECTION: Council Member Lowe objected.

VOTE: The main motion passed with Council Member Lowe opposed.

- B. **CM No. 00-01:** Iditapark Master Plan Approval.

MOTION: Council Member Cottle moved to adopt CM No. 00-01.

Discussion followed.

Mr. Bert Lent of Group Three Designs answered questions from the council.

Discussion continued.

VOTE: The motion to adopt CM No. 00-01 passed unanimously.

12. COMMUNICATION

- A. **IM No. 00-14:** Wasilla Area Seniors, Inc. Board Of Directors.

Mayor Palin stated she plans to appoint Planning Commissioner McCarthy to the Wasilla Area Seniors Board of Directors.

GENERAL CONSENT: There was no objection from the council.

- B. **IM No. 00-08:** November 1998 Expenditure Report.

- C. Parks And Recreation Commission: Draft Regular Meeting Minutes Of December 9, 1999.

13. MAYOR, CLERK, AND ATTORNEY COMMENTS

City Clerk:

- Spoke about the clerk's office procedure for correspondence that is directed to the entire council and correspondence addressed to a specific member.
- Requested that the council begin to consider items that they wish to include in the FY-01 budget.
- Announced the Conflict of Interest Statements for 2000 have been distributed.

City Attorney:

- Updated the council on various legal matters.

Mayor Palin:

- Spoke on the Salary Compensation Study proposed by the MBL Group.

City Planner:

- Commented on trail grants.

Economic Development Planner:

- Commented on the mail out notice requirements.

City Clerk

- Announced the employee committee requested a special meeting with the council to discuss employment issues.

MOTION: Council Member Fuller moved to schedule a special meeting with employees on January 17, 2000 at 7 p.m.

MOTION: Council Member Keller moved a primary amendment to meet with employees on January 24, 2000 at 5 p.m.

Discussion followed.

VOTE: The primary amendment tied with Council Members Lowe, Keller, and Patrick in favor and Council Members Bennett, Cottle, and Fuller opposed. The primary amendment passed with Mayor Palin invoking her voting privilege in the affirmative.

14. AUDIENCE COMMENTS

Mr. Brad Remus:

- Commented in the mail out notice he received regarding a rezone.

15. EXECUTIVE SESSION

- A. Land Acquisition/Pending Litigation (Requested by Council Member Cottle)

MOTION: Council Member Cottle moved to enter into executive session to discuss potential or pending litigation to which the city of Wasilla may become or is a party; matters, the immediate public knowledge of which would clearly have an adverse effect upon the finances of the city; confidential attorney-client communications made for the purpose of facilitating the retention of professional legal services to the city, and land acquisition or disposal.

The council recessed at 9:45 and reconvened at 9:55 p.m.

The entire council, mayor, attorney, economic development planner, city planner, public works director, and city clerk entered the executive session at 9:55 p.m. in the council conference room. The executive session exited at 11:14 p.m.

MOTION: Council Member Patrick moved allow the meeting to continue.

GENERAL CONSENT: There was no objection.

MOTION: Council Member Patrick moved to direct administration to hire Don McClintock to pursue eminent domain and to make recommendations to the council regarding Wasilla Station and adjoining properties with regard to Wasilla Station development on parcels A2, B1, and D2.

GENERAL CONSENT: There was no objection.

MOTION: Council Member Bennett moved to authorize negotiations to purchase the MUC well site and to bring the findings to the council for consideration.

GENERAL CONSENT: There was no objection.

MOTION: Council Member Lowe moved to direct the attorney to prepare an opinion on legal exposure to the earnest money agreement offered.

GENERAL CONSENT: There was no objection.

16. COUNCIL COMMENTS

Council Member Keller:

- Requested a copy of last years APOC Statement.
- Requested that Christmas lights be considered during the budget process.

Council Member Fuller:

- Announced the clerk's evaluation is complete.
- Requested to consider human resource services during the FY00-01 budget.

Council Member Lowe:

- Requested a copy of the original MBL contract.
- Stated he supports the development of a web page and web site.

Mayor Palin:

- Announced she will be attending a meeting in Juneau with local legislatures.

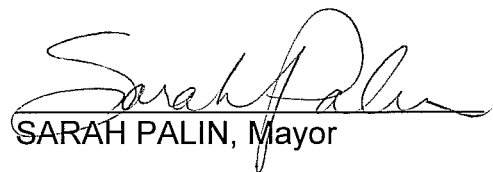
Council Member Cottle:

- Requested background information and qualification of the MBL Group.

Council Members Bennett, Lowe, and Keller requested copies of the agreement from the MBL Group, which were provided to Council Member Cottle. They also requested that all additional information pertaining to the MBL Group be provided to the entire council.

17. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 11:20 p.m.


SARAH PALIN, Mayor


KRISTIE L. VANGORDER, CMC/AE
City Clerk

Minutes Approved: January 24, 2000