

**MAYOR**  
Sarah Palin

**COUNCIL**  
Howard O'Neil, Seat A  
Dianne M. Keller, Seat B  
Noel H. Lowe, Seat C  
Judy Patrick, Seat D  
Ron Cox, Seat E  
Colleen Sullivan-Leonard, Seat F

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**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.**

**OCTOBER 22, 2001**

1. **CALL TO ORDER**
2. **ROLL CALL**
3. **PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**
4. **APPROVAL OF AGENDA**
5. **SPECIAL ORDERS**
  - A. Swearing-In Of Newly Elected Officials.
6. **COMMISSION/AGENCY REPORT (Five minutes per agency.)**
  - A. Planning Commission
  - B. Parks And Recreation Commission
  - C. Matanuska-Susitna Borough
  - D. Mayor Jim Cooper, City of Palmer
  - E. Presentation By Mayor Palin

## 7. CONSENT AGENDA

### A. Minutes of Preceding Meeting:

1. Regular Meeting: October 8, 2001

### B. Introductions (Public Hearing To Be Scheduled For: November 26, 2001)

1. **Ordinance Serial No. 01-52:** Amending The FY-02 Budget By Appropriating \$60,518 From The General Fund's Fund Balance To The Police Department's Budget To Fund A Police Officer Communication Specialist Position From November 2001 Through June 2002. (IM No. 01-76)

### C. Resolutions

1. **Resolution Serial No. 01-39:** Approving Rural Development Loan Conditions for the Bumpus Well and Reservoir Facility. (IM No. 01-75)
2. **Resolution Serial No. 01-40:** Fixing The Rate Of Compensation For The Position Of Hearing Officer For Appeals. (IM 01-78)

### D. Council Memorandums

1. **CM No. 01-79:** Award Of Contract For Network And PC Maintenance And Support For October 31, 2001 Through April 30, 2002.
2. **CM No. 01-84:** Elimination Of Portion Of Utility Easement, Lot 3B Block 5, North Country Estates.

## 8. PUBLIC HEARING (Three minutes per person.)

- A. **Ordinance Serial No. 01-51:** Amending The FY-02 Budget By Revising The Revenue And Expenditure Budget Accounts In The Youth Court Special Revenue Fund To Match Actual Grant Awards. (IM No. 01-72)

## 9. PERSONS TO BE HEARD (Three minutes per person.)

- A. Adene Arthur Re: Avalanche Awareness Month
- B. Dallas and Alice Massie Re: Snow-Machine Trail Through Wasilla

**10. UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

**11. NEW BUSINESS**

- A. **CM No. 01-75:** Approval Of The City Council Meeting Schedule For 2002.
- B. **CM No. 01-78:** Appeal Hearing Officer Roster.
- C. **CM No. 01-81:** Contract Amendment For Frontier Excavating In The Amount Of \$34,690.66 For The Parks Highway-Alaska Railroad Bored Casing.
- D. **CM No. 01-82:** Contract Amendment For Wilder Construction In The Amount Of \$67,263.30 For The Prospector Hills Paving LID.
- E. **CM No. 01-83** Contract Amendment For Hankal Construction Inc. In The Amount Of \$29,107 To Recoat The Septage Facility Digester.

**12. COMMUNICATION**

- A. **IM No. 01-74:** City of Wasilla Holiday Schedule 2002
- B. **IM No. 01-77:** Change Orders and Contract Amendments for Capital Improvement Projects.
- C. Draft Wasilla Planning Commission Meeting Minutes: October 9, 2001.

**13. MAYOR, CLERK, AND ATTORNEY COMMENTS**

**14. AUDIENCE COMMENTS** (Three minutes per person.)

**15. EXECUTIVE SESSION**

**16. COUNCIL COMMENTS**

**17. ADJOURNMENT**

**1. CALL TO ORDER**

The regular meeting of the Wasilla City Council was held on Monday, October 22, 2001, at the Wasilla City Council Chambers, Wasilla, Alaska. Mayor Sarah Palin called the meeting to order at 7 p.m.

**2. ROLL CALL**

Council Members present and establishing a quorum were:

Mr. Howard O'Neil, Seat A  
Ms. Dianne Keller, Seat B  
Mr. Noel Lowe, Seat C  
Ms. Judy Patrick, Seat D  
Mr. Ron Cox, Seat E  
Ms. Colleen Sullivan-Leonard, Seat F

Staff in attendance were:

Ms. Kristie VanGorder, City Clerk  
Ms. Jamie Newman, Deputy Clerk  
Mr. John Cramer, Deputy Administrator  
Mr. Charlie Fannon, Police Chief  
Mr. Archie Giddings, City Engineer  
Mr. Tim Krug, City Planner  
Mr. Ted Leonard, Finance Director  
Mr. Don Shiesl, Public Works Director

**3. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

Mayor Palin led the Pledge of Allegiance.

**4. APPROVAL OF AGENDA**

Council Member Patrick:

- Requested to move CM Nos. 01-75 and 01-78 from the consent agenda to new business.

Council Member Lowe:

- Requested to move CM Nos. 01-81, 01-82, and 01-83 from the consent agenda to new business.

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

**5. SPECIAL ORDERS**

- A. Swearing-In Of Newly Elected Officials.

The city clerk swore in newly elected Council Members Cox and Sullivan-Leonard.

**6. COMMISSION/AGENCY REPORT**

- A. Planning Commission

No report was given.

- B. Parks And Recreation Commission

No report was given.

- C. Matanuska-Susitna Borough

Assembly Member Kelly:

- Spoke about issues under consideration by the borough assembly.

- D. Mayor Jim Cooper, City of Palmer

Mayor Cooper:

- Introduced himself to the council and reported that the city of Palmer is doing well and is open for business.
- Congratulated the newly elected Wasilla City Council Members.

- E. Presentation by Mayor Palin

Mayor Palin presented Council Member Cottle with a framed city seal recognizing her service to the city.

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

GENERAL CONSENT: There was no objection.

## 8. PUBLIC HEARING

- A. **Ordinance Serial No. 01-51:** Amending The FY-02 Budget By Revising The Revenue And Expenditure Budget Accounts In The Youth Court Special Revenue Fund To Match Actual Grant Awards. (IM No. 01-72)

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 to adopt Ordinance Serial No. 01-51.

VOTE: The motion passed unanimously.

## 9. PERSONS TO BE HEARD

### A. Adene Arthur Re: Avalanche Awareness Month

Mayor Palin presented a proclamation proclaiming November as Avalanche Awareness Month.

Ms. Arthur:

- Spoke about the goals of the Backcountry Avalanche Awareness and Response Team (BAART), which are to increase avalanche education and awareness.
- Discussed the fundraising efforts of BAART.

### B. Dallas and Alice Massie Re: Snow-Machine Trail Through Wasilla

Mr. and Ms. Massie:

- Spoke about the adverse effects the snow-machine trail will have on their property.
- Spoke in opposition of Ordinance Serial No. 00-26 and requested that the city adopt an alternative trail plan.

Mayor Palin stated that the city is not going through with construction of the snow-machine trail this year and that administration is looking at alternative plans for the trail.

### C. Wayne Whaley

Mr. Whaley:

- Spoke about the appeal process outlined in the Wasilla Municipal Code and supports the city amending the process as soon as possible.
- Encouraged the city to exclusively appoint city residents as hearing officers.

## 10. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

There was no unfinished business.

## 11. NEW BUSINESS

### A. **CM No. 01-75:** Approval Of The City Council Meeting Schedule For 2002.

MOTION: Council Member Patrick moved to approve CM No. 01-75.

MOTION: Council Member Patrick moved a primary amendment to add the following regular meetings to the 2002 city council meeting schedule: March 27, May 29, and November 13.

GENERAL CONSENT: There was no objection to the primary amendment.

VOTE: The motion as amended passed unanimously.

- B. **CM No. 01-78:** Appeal Hearing Officer Roster.

MOTION: Council Member Keller moved to approve CM No. 01-78.

MOTION: Council Member Keller moved a primary amendment to clarify that the hearing officers appointed in CM No. 01-78 are temporary and that the roster shall only include city residents (Mr. Chappel, Mr. Moore, and Mr. Shadrach).

GENERAL CONSENT: There was no objection to the primary amendment.

Discussion followed.

VOTE: The main motion as amended passed unanimously.

- C. **CM No. 01-81:** Contract Amendment For Frontier Excavating In The Amount Of \$34,690.66 For The Parks Highway-Alaska Railroad Bored Casing.
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MOTION: Council Member Lowe moved to adopt CM Nos. 01-81, 01-82, and 01-83.

The city engineer discussed the process for contract amendment and change orders.

Discussion followed.

VOTE: The motion passed unanimously.

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No action was taken on the communication items.



### **13. MAYOR, CLERK, AND ATTORNEY COMMENTS**

Mayor Palin:

- Reported that the Historical Society has filed a small claims lawsuit against the city over the wastewater flooding that occurred at Mead's Coffee House.

Chief Fannon:

- Reported on the success of the reserve program.

City Planner:

- Spoke about the proposed development on Crusey Street.
- Announced various meetings that are scheduled to include the Parks Highway Corridor Management Study, Railroad Relocation Study, and the Airport Master Plan.

Public Works Director:

- Reported that the aeration system lagoon project is complete.
- Stated Lucas Road is now open.
- Announced that the final phase to extend the waterline to the Alternative School is underway.
- Reported that only one lane on Lucille Street will be paved this year.
- Discussed Glenwood Avenue.

### **14. AUDIENCE COMMENTS**

Kit Roberts: Mat-Su Motors Mushers

- Supports snow-machine trails and offered planning assistance to the city.

John Dewer:

- Requested that the city address the traffic and parking problems on Lake Street.

### **15. EXECUTIVE SESSION**

No executive session was held.

### **16. COUNCIL COMMENTS**

Council Member Patrick:

- Congratulated the newly elected council members.
- Supports working on an alternative snow-machine trail to connect Wasilla Lake and Lake Lucille.

Council Member Keller:

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- Requested that the planning commission present facts of findings when deciding on issues.
- Commented on the Public Safety Building Open House she attended.

Council Member Lowe:

- Thanked Ms. Arthur for the presentation on avalanche awareness.
- Supports providing responsible snow-machine access through the city.

Council Member Cox:

- Stated he is looking forward to serving on the city council.

Council Member Leonard:

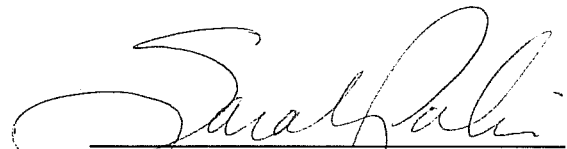
- Stated that she found the packet information provided by public works informative.

Council Member O'Neil:

- Welcomed the newly elected council members.

## 17. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 8:35 p.m.

  
SARAH PALIN, Mayor

ATTEST:



KRISTIE L. VANGORDER, CMC  
City Clerk

Adopted on November 26, 2001.