

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

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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.

SEPTEMBER 23, 2002

1. CALL TO ORDER
2. ROLL CALL
3. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE
4. APPROVAL OF AGENDA
5. SPECIAL ORDERS
6. COMMISSION/AGENCY REPORT (Five minutes per agency.)
 - A. Parks And Recreation Commission
 - B. Matanuska-Susitna Borough
 - C. Planning Commission
7. CONSENT AGENDA
 - A. Minutes of Preceding Meeting:
 1. Regular Meeting: September 9, 2002

B. Introductions (Public Hearing To Be Scheduled For: October 14, 2002)

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4. **Ordinance Serial No. 02-66:** Amending The FY-03 Budget By Appropriating \$100,000 For Iditarod Reservoir Repairs.

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2. **Resolution Serial No. 02-30:** Transferring Funds Within An Accounting Fund In The Amount Of \$120,000 For Iditarod Reservoir Repairs.
3. **Resolution Serial No. 02-32:** Repealing Resolution Serial No. 02-22 And Supporting The Prioritizing Of Capital Projects In The Community For Submission To The State Of Alaska For FY 2004 Funding Under The Capital Project Matching Grant Program (AS 37.06).

D. Council Memorandums

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2. **CM No. 02-53:** Reconfirmation Of Election Officials: Regular City Election, October 1, 2002.

3. **CM 02-54:** Contract Award To USKH, Inc. In The Amount Of \$73,400 For South Mack Drive Water And Sewer Main Extension Design Services.
4. **CM 02-55:** Contract Award To Wilder Construction Company In The Amount Of \$537,063 For South Mack Drive Pioneer Road Construction.
5. **CM 02-56:** Contract Award To Hankal Construction, Inc. In The Amount Of \$108,572 For Iditarod Reservoir Repairs.
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9. **CM 02-60:** Contract Amendment To Hattenburg, Dilley & Linnell In The Amount Of \$8,700 For Additional South Mack Drive Pioneer Road Engineering Services.
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8. PUBLIC HEARING (Three minutes per person.)

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- B. **Ordinance Serial No. 02-57:** Amending The FY-03 Budget By Appropriating Funds From The Technology Fund's Fund Balance, Capital Reserve Fund Fund's Balance, MIS Expenditure Budget In Order To Fund The Purchase Of A New AS 400 Computer System.
- C. **Ordinance Serial No. 02-58:** Amending The FY-03 Budget By Appropriating FAA Grant Funds In The Amount Of \$250,000 For Airport Security Gate Improvements.
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11. NEW BUSINESS

12. COMMUNICATION

- A. Draft Wasilla Planning Commission Meeting Minutes: September 10, 2002.

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, September 23, 2002, 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:

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

Council Member Judy Patrick was absent and excused.

Staff in attendance were:

Ms. Kristie Smithers, City Clerk
Ms. Jamie Newman, Deputy Clerk
Mr. Tom Klinkner, City Attorney
Mr. Archie Giddings, City Engineer
Mr. Tim Krug, City Planner
Mr. Ted Leonard, Finance Director
Mr. Don Savage, Police Chief
Mr. Chester Simton, Library Director

3. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Mayor Palin led the Pledge of Allegiance.

4. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Mayor Palin:

- Requested to allow Mr. Ralph Winterrowd to speak under persons to be heard.

GENERAL CONSENT: The agenda was approved as amended and without objection.

5. SPECIAL ORDERS

There were no special orders.

6. COMMISSION/AGENCY REPORT (Five minutes per agency.)

A. Parks And Recreation Commission

No report was given.

B. Matanuska-Susitna Borough

Assembly Member Dan Kelly:

- Announced that the borough passed a Conditional Use Permit Ordinance; and
- Thanked administration and the council for their cooperation during his tenure on the borough assembly; and
- Commented on traffic models in the valley and the possibility of locating a new hospital in the Wasilla area in the future.

Borough Manager John Duffy:

- Spoke about library funding within the borough; and
- Detailed the mission of borough libraries, the CIP process for libraries, and how libraries have increased land value in other communities;
- Stated that the borough is interested in pursuing creative funding solutions for the Wasilla Public Library.

Discussion on the library moved to the council and Mr. Duffy answered questions from the council.

Assembly Member Kelley emphasized that the city has library powers and because of the city's positive financial position additional library funding from the borough is a hard sell for many assembly members.

C. Planning Commission

Commissioner Sharla Terrill:

- Reported that the commission will be considering an ordinance reducing side yard setbacks within the city.

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

VOTE: The motion passed unanimously.

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MOTION: Council Member Cox moved to adopt Ordinance Serial No. 02-57.

VOTE: The motion passed unanimously.

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Mayor Palin opened the public hearing.

Don Bennett and Jeff Carney voiced concerns because the city did not notify adjacent property owners about Ordinance Serial No. 02-62.

Colleen Cottle and Wendy Riekema spoke in favor of Ordinance Serial No. 02-62.

There being no others who wished to be heard, the public hearing was closed.

MOTION: Council Member Keller moved to adopt Ordinance Serial No. 02-62.

MOTION: Council Member Keller moved to continue the public hearing on Ordinance Serial No. 02-62 to the November 14, 2002 regular city council meeting with notification sent to adjacent property owners.

VOTE: The motion passed unanimously.

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

A. Ralph Winterrowd

Mr. Winterrowd stated his belief that law enforcement agencies within the State of Alaska are paramilitary organizations and requested that the city publish a notice of use of force continuum in the local newspaper.

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PREVIOUS MOTION: Council Member Patrick moved to adopt Ordinance Serial No. 02-53 and CM No. 02-48. (Motion on the floor from the September 9, 2002 Regular City Council Meeting)

MOTION: Council Member Keller moved to postpone Ordinance Serial No. 02-53 and CM No. 02-48 to next regular city meeting when the attorney is able to review the entire RFP process for library lease space.

Discussion followed.

VOTE: The motion to postpone failed unanimously.

Discussion continued.

VOTE: The motion to adopt Ordinance Serial No. 02-53 and CM No. 02-48 failed unanimously.

11. NEW BUSINESS

There was no new business.

12. COMMUNICATION

- A. Draft Wasilla Planning Commission Meeting Minutes: September 10, 2002.

No action was taken on the communication item.

13. MAYOR, CLERK, AND ATTORNEY COMMENTS

City Attorney:

- Reported that he received an update on the Nature Conservancy litigation.

City Clerk:

- Asked the council if they would like to schedule a couple of work sessions with the borough assembly on library issues; and
- Reported on the upcoming city election; and
- Inquired about attendance at the AML Conference; and
- Stated that a Special Meeting will be held on October 7, 2002 to certify the upcoming city election.

Police Chief:

- Announced that Officer Raymond Chiemlowski was recently promoted to the second sergeant position within the Wasilla Police Department.

Finance Director:

- Reported on the progress of the annual audit.

City Engineer:

- Reported that Nelson Avenue should be open by end of week.

Library Director:

- Thanked the council for their interest in the library.

14. AUDIENCE COMMENTS (Three minutes per person.)

Jeanne Troshynski President of Friends of Library:

- Voiced her frustration in the quest for additional library space; and
- Spoke about liability issues caused by a lack of space at the Wasilla Library.

Colleen Cottle:

- Stated that the residents of Lakeview Avenue will work together solve their land use issues.

Bernadette Rupright:

- Commented on Ordinance 02-62; and
- Spoke in favor of expanding library space.

Robert Sande:

- Introduced himself as a write in candidate for Wasilla City Council Seat D.

Kelly Marre, Friends of Wasilla Library Board Member:

- Understands the concerns raised by the city council regarding the city library, and supports the city giving up library powers to the borough; and
- Encouraged everyone to work together to solve the space issue at the Wasilla Library.

Janet Lucas, Friends of Wasilla Library Board Member:

- Spoke about safety concerns at the library.

Marcie Schmidt:

- Expressed anger at the city for not addressing library needs.

Konnie Shuie:

- Introduced herself as a candidate for School Board.

Scott Lapine:

- Introduced himself as a candidate for Borough Assembly.

15. EXECUTIVE SESSION

No executive session was held.

16. COUNCIL COMMENTS

Council Member Keller:

- Thanked the Friends of the Wasilla Library for all of their hard work; and
- Spoke about the need for the city to prioritize it's projects.

Council Member Lowe:

- Stated that the city does have library powers.

Council Member Sullivan-Leonard:

- Stated that she is enthused by the fact that the borough is willing to work with the city to solve library space and funding issues; and
- Encouraged everyone to vote in the upcoming city election.

Council Member O'Neil:

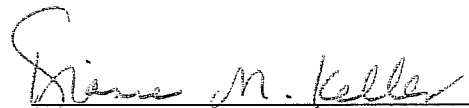
- Shared comments made by council members regarding the library; and
- Appreciates the Wasilla Police Department.

Council Member Keller:

- Reported that traffic lights on Knik-Goosebay Road and Glenwood Avenue will be turned on soon and encouraged everyone to use caution while adjusting to the new traffic pattern.

17. ADJOURNMENT

Adjourn at 9:48 p.m.


DIANNE M. KELLER, Mayor

ATTEST:



KRISTIE L. SMITHERS, CMC
City Clerk

Adopted by the Wasilla City Council on October 14, 2002.