

MAYOR

Dianne M. Keller

COUNCIL

Greg Koskela, Seat A
Douglas W. Holler, Seat B
Steve Menard, Seat C
Marty Metiva, Seat D
Ron Cox, Deputy Mayor, Seat E
Mark A. Ewing, Seat F

WASILLA CITY COUNCIL MEETING AGENDA WASILLA CITY COUNCIL CHAMBERS

Wasilla City Hall, 290 E. Herning Avenue, Wasilla, AK 99654 (907) 373-9090

SPECIAL MEETING

5:30 P.M.

JUNE 11, 2007

- I. CALL TO ORDER
- II. ROLL CALL
- III. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE
- IV. APPROVAL OF AGENDA
- V. COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE
 - A. Discussion with the Greater Wasilla Chamber of Commerce
 - 1. The Chamber, what are they and what do they do?
 - 2. How can the Chamber work more effectively with the City Council?
 - 3. What common goals do the City and Chamber share for the future?
- VI. AUDIENCE COMMENTS
- VII. MAYOR, COUNCIL AND CLERK COMMENTS
- VIII. ADJOURNMENT

I. CALL TO ORDER

The special meeting of the Wasilla City Council was held on Monday, June 11, 2007 at the Wasilla City Council Chambers, Wasilla, Alaska. Mayor Dianne M. Keller called the meeting to order at 5:42 p.m. The purpose of the meeting was to have a discussion with the Greater Wasilla Chamber of Commerce.

II. ROLL CALL

Council Members present and establishing a quorum were:

Mr. Greg Koskela, Seat A

Mr. Doug Holler, Seat B

Mr. Steve Menard, Seat C

Mr. Marty Metiva, Seat D

Mr. Ron Cox, Deputy Mayor, Seat E

Mr. Mark Ewing, Seat F

Chamber of Commerce Members in attendance were:

Mr. Wayne Martin, Secretary

Mr. Taka Tsukada, Treasurer

Mr. Chas St. George, Past President

Mr. Ryan Berry, Board Member

Ms Erika Bills, President-Elect arrived late from another meeting

Ms Cheryl Metiva, Exec. Director

Staff in attendance were:

Ms. Kristie Smithers, City Clerk

Ms. Wendy Golter, Clerk's Office Secretary

III. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Mr. Wayne Martin led the Pledge of Allegiance.

IV. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Mayor Keller inquired if there were adjustments to the agenda, hearing none; the agenda was approved as presented.

V. COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE

A. Discussion with the Greater Wasilla Chamber of Commerce

MOTION: Council Member Koskela moved to enter into a Committee of the Whole at 5:43 p.m.

GENERAL CONSENT: The motion passed without objection.

Discussion points discussed and questions addressed included the following:

- the need for cooperation between the Greater Wasilla Chamber and the City Council:
- noted appreciation for the working relationship between city staff members and chamber staff;
- membership growth of the chamber and financial challenges faced;
- funding opportunities for the Chamber, its goal and mission statement, and the benefits of membership; and
- the mutual benefits of unified goal setting among local governments in the Mat-Su Valley and community organizations such as the Chamber of Commerce.

MOTION: Council Member Menard moved to exit the Committee of the Whole at 6:39 p.m.

GENERAL CONSENT: The motion passed without objection.

VI. AUDIENCE COMMENTS

There were no audience comments

VII. MAYOR, COUNCIL, CLERK COMMENTS

Ms Kristie Smithers, City Clerk:

 inquired about the time preference for scheduling more meetings with the Chamber in which February would be a good time for a meeting.

Council Member Holler:

expressed interest in meeting with the Chamber more often than once a year.

Council Member Koskela:

agreed that there should be more meetings with the Chamber.

Council Member Ewing:

commended the Chamber board for their professionalism and pride.

VIII. ADJOURNMENT

With no further business at hand, Mayor Keller adjourned the meeting at 6:52 p.m.

JANNE M. KELLER, Mayor

ATTEST:

KRISTIE SMITHERS, MMC

City Clerk

Adopted by the Wasilla City Council on June 25, 2007