



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

REGULAR MEETING

7 P.M.

JULY 9, 2007

I. CALL TO ORDER

II. ROLL CALL

III. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

A. Presentation of Colors by Boy Scout Troop 300

IV. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

V. SPECIAL ORDERS OF THE DAY

VI. COMMISSION AND AGENCY REPORTS

A. Planning Commission

B. Parks and Recreation Commission

C. Airport Advisory Commission

D. Matanuska-Susitna Borough

VII. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

A. Public Hearings

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2. **Ordinance Serial No. 07-41:** Amending The FY-08 Police Department Budget By Accepting And Appropriating \$279,737 From The Matanuska-Susitna Borough From A Pass Through Grant From The Department Of Justice, 2005 Cops Technology Grant To Enhance Communications Interoperability And Participation In The Alaska Land Mobile Radio (ALMR) Project.

B. Persons to be Heard

VIII. CONSENT AGENDA

A. Minutes of Preceding Meetings:

1. Regular Meeting: June 25, 2007
2. Special Meeting: June 25, 2007

B. Introduction of Ordinances: Recommended Public Hearing on July 23, 2007:

1. **Ordinance Serial No. 07-42:** Authorizing The Sale To The Alaska Live Steamers, LLC Of Tax Parcel A6, Section 16, Township 17 North, Range 1 West Seward Meridian, Alaska, Under WMC 5.32, Sale Or Lease Of Public Lands; Authorizing The Mayor To Execute And Deliver A Contract For The Sale; And Providing For Related Matters.
2. **Ordinance Serial No. 07-43:** Amending WMC 13.08.040 Regarding The General Conditions Of Construction Of Sewer Connections.

3. **Ordinance Serial No. 07-44:** Amending WMC 1.20.030 Disposition Of Scheduled Offenses--Fine Schedule And WMC 9.08.030 Theft, To Change The Names Of The Offenses Of Theft In The Third And Fourth Degree To Petty Theft In The First And Second Degree.

C. Resolutions

1. **Resolution Serial No. 07-25:** Authorizing The City Of Wasilla To Apply For A Justice Assistance Grant In The Amount Of \$19,747 From The United States Department Of Justice (DOJ).

D. Action Memorandums

1. **AM No. 07-39:** Award Of A One (1) Year Contract To Alaska Public Entity Insurance, Mt. Hawley Insurance Company, And Ace Property And Casualty Insurance Company Through Marsh USA, Inc., For Insurance Services In The Amount Of \$546,394 Per Year.
2. **AM No. 07-40:** Vacation Of Public Use Easement For Cottonwood Creek Place Subdivision.
3. **AM No. 07-41:** Council Approval Of The Renewal Of City Of Wasilla Health Insurance With Premera Blue Cross Blue Shield Of Alaska With The Selection Of The Envoy Plan In Conjunction With A Health Care Reimbursement Arrangement.
4. **AM No. 07-42(SUB):** Award Of Contract To Tiburon, Inc., In An Amount Not To Exceed \$491,890 For Computer Hardware And Software For The Wasilla Police Department Mobile Computing Project. This Project Is Funded Through The 2005 Department Of Justice COPS Technology Grant Program. .

IX. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

X. NEW BUSINESS

XI. COMMUNICATIONS

A. Information Memorandums

B. Commission Minutes

1. Planning Commission: June 26, 2007
2. Airport Advisory Commission: May 15, 2007
3. Parks and Recreation Commission: June 13, 2007
4. Employee Relations Committee: March 1, April 5, and May 3, 2007

XII. AUDIENCE COMMENTS

XIII. MAYOR, CLERK AND ATTORNEY COMMENTS

XIV. COUNCIL COMMENTS

XV. EXECUTIVE SESSION

XVI. ADJOURNMENT

I. CALL TO ORDER

The regular meeting of the Wasilla City Council was held on Monday, July 9, 2007, at the Wasilla City Council Chambers, Wasilla, Alaska. Mayor Dianne M. Keller called the meeting to order at 7 p.m.

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

Mayor Keller noted that Council Member Mark Ewing, Seat F, was absent and excused. No objection was raised.

Staff in attendance were:

Ms. Kristie Smithers, City Clerk
Ms. Jamie Newman, Deputy Clerk
Ms. Sandra Garley, Deputy Administrator
Mr. Archie Giddings, Director of Public Works
Ms. Angella Long, Police Chief
Mr. Bruce Urban, Recreation and Cultural Services Manager

III. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

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Boy Scout Troop 300 led the Pledge of Allegiance.

IV. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Mayor Keller noted the following revisions to the agenda:

- AM No. 07-42(SUB) replaces AM No. 07-42 under the Consent Agenda; and
- the scheduled Executive Session on the Lundgren Eminent Domain Case is cancelled.

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

V. SPECIAL ORDERS OF THE DAY

There were no special orders of the day.

VI. COMMISSION AND AGENCY REPORTS

A. Planning Commission

Ms. Sandra Garley, Deputy Administrator:

- reported on items on the July 10, 2007, Planning Commission meeting agenda.

B. Parks and Recreation Commission

Mr. Bruce Urban, Recreation and Cultural Services Manager:

- reported that the Parks and Recreation Commission had not met since its last report to the Council; and
- noted the Parks and Recreation Commission is scheduled to meet again on July 11, 2007, at the Wasilla Multi-Use Sports Complex.

C. Airport Advisory Commission

Mr. Archie Giddings, Public Works Director:

- reported that the Airport Advisory Commission has not met since its last report to the Council; and
- noted that the Airport Advisory Commission may cancel their July meeting.

D. Matanuska-Susitna Borough

No report was presented.

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Mayor Keller opened the public hearing on Ordinance Serial No. 07-27.

Council Member Metiva declared a conflict of interest and requested to be excused from voting on Ordinance Serial No. 07-27 as his wife is the executive director of the Greater Wasilla Chamber of Commerce.

Mayor Keller ruled in favor of the Conflict of Interest as declared by Council Member Metiva.

Council Member Menard objected.

MOTION: Council Member Menard moved to appeal the decision of the Chair.

VOTE: The motion to appeal the decision of the Chair failed with Council Members Koskela and Menard voting in favor and Deputy Mayor Cox and Council Member Holler opposed, and Council Member Metiva abstaining. *(Clerk note: Council Member Ewing was absent and excused.) (Clerk note: Per WMC 2.04.130, four affirmative votes shall be required to carry any measure before the Council.)*

The following spoke in favor of Ordinance Serial No. 07-27: Ms. Cheryl Metiva, Executive Director, Greater Wasilla Chamber of Commerce.

There being no others who wished to present testimony the public hearing closed.

MOTION: Council Member Koskela moved to adopt Ordinance Serial No. 07-27.

VOTE: The motion to adopt Ordinance Serial No. 07-27 passed unanimously with Deputy Mayor Cox, Council Members Holler, Koskela, and Menard voting in favor and Council Member Metiva abstaining. *(Clerk note: Council Member Ewing was absent and excused.)*

2. **Ordinance Serial No. 07-41:** Amending The FY-08 Police Department Budget By Accepting And Appropriating \$279,737 From The Matanuska-Susitna Borough From A Pass Through Grant From The Department Of Justice, 2005 Cops Technology Grant To Enhance Communications Interoperability And Participation In The Alaska Land Mobile Radio (ALMR) Project.

Mayor Keller opened the public hearing on Ordinance Serial No. 07-41 and there being no one who wished to present testimony the public hearing closed.

MOTION: Deputy Mayor Cox moved to adopt Ordinance Serial No. 07-41.

Discussion followed.

VOTE: The motion to adopt Ordinance Serial No. 07-41 passed unanimously with Deputy Mayor Cox, Council Members Holler, Koskela, Menard, and Metiva voting in favor. (*Clerk note: Council Member Ewing was absent and excused.*)

B. Persons to be Heard

Mr. Phil Lockwood, Museum of Alaska Transportation and Industry:

- reported on the Colony Barn Preservation Project and noted the barn moving will take place on Saturday, July 14, 2007; and
- invited participation in the festivities.

Ms. Colleen Cottle:

- requested that the sidewalk outside of City Hall on Herning Street be upgraded as it is unsafe; and
- reported that some residents are opposed to Ordinance Serial No. 07-42.

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The City Clerk read items from the Consent Agenda into the record.

MOTION: Deputy Mayor Cox moved to adopt the Consent Agenda as read by the City Clerk.

GENERAL CONSENT: The motion passed without objection with Deputy Mayor Cox, Council Members Holler, Koskela, Menard, and Metiva voting in favor. (*Clerk note: Council Member Ewing was absent and excused.*)

IX. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

There was no unfinished business.

X. NEW BUSINESS

There was no new business.

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No action was taken on the communication items.

XII. AUDIENCE COMMENTS

No comments were made.

XIII. MAYOR, CLERK AND ATTORNEY COMMENTS

Ms. Kristie Smithers, City Clerk:

- reported on the success of the recent records destruction;
- reported that filing packets for Charter Commission are available for pick up;
- reported that the application for initiative petition regarding collective bargaining has been certified and petitions have been issued in regard to the matter;
- reported on the upcoming candidate filing period to take place July 16 through July 27, 2007; and
- noted a special meeting on economic development is scheduled at 5:30 p.m. prior to the regular meeting on July 23, 2007.

Mayor Keller:

- reported on the recent activities of city departments;
- spoke about the success of the Independence Day fireworks display; and
- reported memorial trees will be relocated from Crusey Street to Iditpark.

XIV. COUNCIL COMMENTS

Council Member Koskela:

- thanked Chief Long for securing the Alaska Land Mobile Radio Project pass through grant from the Mat-Su Borough.

Council Member Holler:

- thanked staff for the successful Independence Day festivities.

Council Member Menard:

- commented on the success of the Independence Day parade; and
- encouraged nominations for Charter Commission.

Council Member Metiva:

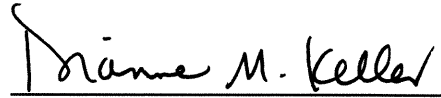
- thanked the audience for attending; and
- congratulated the Museum of Alaska Transportation and Industry for the success of the Colony Barn Preservation Project.

XV. EXECUTIVE SESSION

No executive session was held.

XVI. ADJOURNMENT

With no further business at hand, Mayor Keller adjourned the meeting at 7:23 p.m.



DIANNE M. KELLER
Mayor

ATTEST:



KRISTIE SMITHERS, MMC
City Clerk

Adopted by the Wasilla City Council on July 23, 2007.

