



MAYOR
Verne E. Rupright

COUNCIL
Taffina Katkus, Seat A
Douglas W. Holler, Deputy Mayor, Seat B
Leone Harris, Seat C
Nancy R. Hall, Seat D
Dianne Woodruff, Seat E
Kristofer Larson, 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

6 P.M.

APRIL 12, 2010

I. CALL TO ORDER

II. ROLL CALL

III. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

IV. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

V. SPECIAL ORDERS OF THE DAY

VI. COMMISSION AND AGENCY REPORTS

- A. Planning Commission
- B. Matanuska-Susitna Borough

VII. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

- A. Public Hearings
 - 1. **Ordinance Serial No. 10-11:** Amending WMC 2.12.010, Conflict of Interest, to allow for a council member to make the Mayor aware of a potential conflict of interest on behalf of another council member.
(Sponsored by Council Member Larson)
- B. Persons to be Heard

VIII. CONSENT AGENDA

A. Minutes of Preceding Meetings:

1. Regular Meeting: March 22, 2010
2. Special Meeting: March 15, 2010

B. Introduction of Ordinances: Recommended for Public Hearing on April 26, 2010:

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3. **Ordinance Serial No. 10-14:** Amending the FY10 Library budget by appropriating \$500 from the Wasilla Sunrise Rotary Club.
4. **Ordinance Serial No. 10-15:** Accepting and appropriating \$885,311 in Federal Transit Administration Grant Funding for the Wasilla Intermodal Facility.

C. Resolutions

1. **Resolution Serial No. 10-15:** Adopting an official flag for the City of Wasilla.
2. **Resolution Serial No. 10-16:** Opposing "An Initiative Creating an Alaska Anti-Corruption Act" which will be on the 2010 Alaska Primary Election Ballot.

D. Action Memorandums

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IX. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

X. NEW BUSINESS

XI. COMMUNICATIONS

A. Informational Memorandums

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B. Commission Minutes

1. Planning Commission: March 23, 2010

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, April 12, 2010, at the Wasilla City Council Chambers, Wasilla, Alaska. Mayor Verne E. Rupright called the meeting to order at 6 p.m.

II. ROLL CALL

Council Members present and establishing a quorum were:

- Ms. Taffina Katkus, Seat A
- Mr. Douglas W. Holler, Deputy Mayor, Seat B
- Ms. Harris, Seat C
- Ms. Nancy R. Hall, Seat D
- Ms. Dianne Woodruff, Seat E
- Mr. Kristofer Larson, Seat F

Staff in attendance were:

- Ms. Kristie Smithers, City Clerk
- Ms. Amanda E. Charles, Deputy City Clerk
- Mr. Archie Giddings, Public Works Director
- Mr. Larry Dickerson, Acting Police Chief
- Mr. Troy Tankersley, Finance Director
- Mr. James Hastings, Recreation and Cultural Services Manager
- Mr. Marvin Yoder, Interim Deputy Administrator
- Mr. Richard Payne, City Attorney

III. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Mayor Rupright led the Pledge of Allegiance.

IV. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Mayor Rupright asked if there were any changes to the agenda.

GENERAL CONSENT: The agenda was approved as presented without objection.

V. SPECIAL ORDERS OF THE DAY

There were no special orders of the day.

VI. COMMISSION AND AGENCY REPORTS

A. Planning Commission

Mr. Daniel Kelly, Commissioner:

- reported on the March 2010 Planning Commission meetings;
- commented on the permits that are currently before them;
- noted several zoning change requests; and
- covered items that will be on their upcoming meeting agenda of April 13, 2010.

B. Matanuska-Susitna Borough

Mr. Mark Ewing, Assembly Member District 4:

- stated that the Assembly had a meeting on Saturday on April 10, 2010, where Mayor Rupright spoke regarding the plans for the downtown Wasilla area;
- commented their upcoming budget meetings;
- noted that he would be traveling to Juneau to do some lobbying for Borough projects such as the Mack Road Emergency Shelter which has only one access; and
- spoke to a lack in federal funding for the Borough.

Mayor Rupright asked for a moment of silence in recognition of the passing of a grandchild of the Prater Family.

C. Library Needs Committee

Ms. Jeanne Troshynski, Chair, noted that their first meeting was held on March 31, 2010, and touched on the topics of discussion.

D. Regional Wastewater Treatment Plant – HDL

Mr. Chris Bowman, Hattenburg Dilley & Linnell, LLC:

- noted that they had been working for the past year on the feasibility of a regional wastewater treatment plant;
- commented on current septage problems facing the lower Valley areas;
- provided a brief report on their findings and suggested solutions; and
- advised that there would be a public meeting held on May 12, 2010, from 5 p.m. to 7 p.m. at the Mat-Su College.

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Mayor Rupright opened the public hearing.

There being no one present who wished to speak the public hearing closed and discussion moved to the Council.

MOTION: Council Member Larson moved to adopt Ordinance Serial No. 10-11.

Discussion ensued.

VOTE: The motion to adopt Ordinance Serial No. 10-11 passed with Council Members Hall, Harris, Holler, Larson and Woodruff in favor and Council Member Katkus in objection.

B. Persons to be Heard

Mr. Len Betts:

- noted that the engineering report on the firing range came back and that it recommended noise level for the proposed area not be above 87 decibels;
- invited everyone to "A Rally of Patriots" being held on April 19th, 2010, at the Wasilla Lake Picnic Area.

Ms. Anne Killkenny:

- commented on the water and sewer rate increase;
- queried the percentage of the increase which is being set aside for the replacement of the water/sewer system;
- supported Resolution Serial No. 10-16;
- pointed out that Wasilla has a lot of trash around the city and that it needed to be cleaned up; and
- commented on how some City's are charging a plastic bag tax for businesses who provide plastic bags to their customers.

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The City Clerk read the Consent Agenda into the record.

MOTION: Council Member Woodruff moved to adopt the Consent Agenda as read into the record by the Clerk.

GENERAL CONSENT: The motion passed without objection.

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There was no action taken on the communication items.

XII. AUDIENCE COMMENTS

Mr. Mark Kohannis:

- stated that he is a Big Lake resident;
- noted that he shops in Wasilla; and
- spoke to businesses within the city limits who have bad business practices.

XIII. MAYOR, CLERK AND ATTORNEY COMMENTS

Mayor Rupright presented an example of the City flag which was adopted this evening.

Ms. Smithers reminded the Council of their meeting on April 19, 2010, at 5:30 p.m.

XIV. COUNCIL COMMENTS

Council Member Hall thanked the Cub Scouts for attending the meetings this evening and for leading the Pledge of Allegiance.

Deputy Mayor Holler:

- thanked everyone for their attendance;
- commended Mr. Hastings on the turnout of the Ace's game that was held at the Curtis D. Menard Memorial Sports Center;
- noted his appreciation for the changes and vision that Mr. Hastings has brought to the Sports Center;
- stated that he would like to resume work on the creation of an ethics code; and
- spoke regarding possible problems with the adoption of Ordinance Serial No. 10-15, regarding grant monies received from the federal government for the intermodal facility.

Council Member Woodruff:

- thanked everyone for attending;
- encouraged the public to contact their Council Members regarding the upcoming budget and any concerns they may have; and
- stressed the importance of Resolution Serial No. 10-16.

Council Member Katkus spoke to the importance of electing people who will recognize the importance of the position they are elected to and do the due diligence required of their position.

Council Member Harris:

- commented on Resolution Serial No. 10-16, in regards to the anti-corruption act; and
- thanked the boy scouts for their attendance.

Council Member Larson:

- spoke to the proposed Wastewater Treatment Plant and possible future impositions by the Environmental Protection Agency; and
- commented on the lack of road access to the City's Emergency Shelter on Mack Road.

XV. EXECUTIVE SESSION

There was no executive session held.

XVI. ADJOURNMENT

With no further business at hand, Mayor Rupright adjourned the meeting at 7 p.m.


VERNE E. RUPRIGHT, Mayor

ATTEST:


KRISTIE SMITHERS, MMC, City Clerk

Minutes approved: April 26, 2010