



MAYOR
Verne E. Rupright

COUNCIL
Taffina Katkus, Seat A
Douglas W. Holler, Deputy Mayor, Seat B
Leone Harris, Seat C
John Luburger, 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.

SEPTEMBER 27, 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. Matanuska-Susitna Borough
- B. Planning Commission
- C. Library Needs Committee
- D. Wasilla Area Seniors, Inc.

VII. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

A. Public Hearings

- 1. **Ordinance Serial No. 10-29:** Amending the FY11 budget by appropriating \$24,290 to expenditures for repairs and improvements to the Meta Rose Property.

2. **Ordinance Serial No. 10-30:** Adopting Chapter 9.24, Vandalism.

B. Persons to be Heard

VIII. CONSENT AGENDA

A. Minutes of Preceding Meetings:

1. Regular Meeting: September 13, 2010

B. Introduction of Ordinances: Recommended for Public Hearing on October 11, 2010:

1. **Ordinance Serial No. 10-32:** Amending WMC 2.04, Vacancy on the Council, and WMC 2.16.050, Vacancy in Office of Mayor.
2. **Ordinance Serial No. 10-34:** Amending WMC 4.12, Candidates, WMC 4.16.040, Ballots-Form, and WMC 2.12.020, Financial Disclosure, to provide for candidates for elective city office to file a Declaration of Candidacy instead of a Nominating Petition. *(Sponsored by Council Members Katkus and Larson)*
3. **Ordinance Serial No. 10-35:** Amending the FY2011 budget by appropriating \$25,508 to payoff debt service related to the Special Assessment 83W1 and United States Department of Agriculture, Rural Development Loan 94-04, regarding the 1986 Southside Water Improvement District Debt Service Fund.

C. Resolutions

D. Action Memorandums

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2. **AM No. 10-28:** Contract amendment to R&M Consultants, Inc., in the amount of \$310,240 for engineering services for the Knik-Goose Bay Road and Fern Street intersection improvements.

IX. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

X. NEW BUSINESS¹

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XI. COMMUNICATIONS

A. Informational Memorandums

1. **IM No. 10-25:** Monthly financial reports for the period ending July 2010 to include the month-to-date expenditure report and expenditures greater than \$5,000.

B. Commission Minutes

1. Parks and Recreation Commission: August 11, 2010
2. Planning Commission: September 14, 2010

XII. AUDIENCE COMMENTS

XIII. MAYOR, CLERK AND ATTORNEY COMMENTS

XIV. COUNCIL COMMENTS

XV. EXECUTIVE SESSION²

A. ~~Land Acquisition~~

XVI. ADJOURNMENT

¹ Ordinance Serial No. 10-33 was removed from the Consent Agenda and placed under New Business under Approval of the Agenda.

² The Executive Session was removed from the agenda under Approval of the Agenda.

I. CALL TO ORDER

The Regular Meeting of the Wasilla City Council was held on Monday, September 27, 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:

Deputy Mayor Doug Holler, Seat B
Ms. Leone Harris, Seat C
Mr. John Luburger, Seat D
Ms. Dianne Woodruff, Seat E
Mr. Kristofer Larson, Seat F

Mayor Rupright noted that Ms. Taffina Katkus, Seat A, was absent and excused, unless objection was noted. No objection was noted.

Staff in attendance were:

Ms. Kristie Smithers, City Clerk
Ms. Tammy Ostrom, Secretary
Mr. Troy Tankersley, Controller
Mr. Archie Giddings, Public Works Director
Mr. Michael Hughes, Police Chief
Mr. Marvin Yoder, Interim Deputy Administrator
Mr. Richard Payne, City Attorney

Mayor Rupright asked for a moment of silence in recognition of the passing of Mr. Leroi Heaven, a prominent member of the community.

III. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Mayor Rupright led the Pledge of Allegiance.

IV. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Mayor Rupright:

- removed the executive session from the agenda; and
- asked if there were any further changes to the agenda.

Council Member Woodruff requested that Ordinance Serial No. 10-33 be removed from the Consent Agenda and addressed separately under New Business.

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

V. SPECIAL ORDERS OF THE DAY

There were no special orders of the day.

VI. COMMISSION AND AGENCY REPORTS

A. Matanuska-Susitna Borough

There was no report provided.

B. Planning Commission

Ms. Glenda Ledford, Commissioner, spoke to a subcommittee that was formed to review the Comprehensive Plan, and stated that the subcommittee would be reporting back to the Planning Commission at tomorrow night's meeting.

C. Library Needs Committee

Ms. Jeanne Troshynski:

- advised on the progress of the subcommittee that was formed to review available land for a library; and
- spoke to the importance the Heaven Family to the community.

D. Wasilla Area Seniors, Inc.

Ms. Sondra Kaplan, Executive Director:

- asked that the City Council consider another appropriation to the Wasilla Area Seniors, Inc.; and
- spoke to the benefits to the seniors with the previous appropriations by the City.

VII. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

A. Public Hearings

1. **Ordinance Serial No. 10-29:** Amending the FY11 budget by appropriating \$24,290 to expenditures for repairs and improvements to the Meta Rose Property.

Mayor Rupright opened the public hearing. There being no persons present who wished to speak the public hearing closed and discussion moved to the Council.

MOTION: Council Member Woodruff moved to adopt Ordinance Serial No. 10-29.

VOTE: The motion to adopt Ordinance Serial No. 10-29 passed unanimously.

2. **Ordinance Serial No. 10-30:** Adopting Chapter 9.24, Vandalism.

Mayor Rupright opened the public hearing. There being no persons 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. 10-30.

Discussion ensued.

VOTE: The motion to adopt Ordinance Serial No. 10-30 passed unanimously.

B. Persons to be Heard

There was no one present who wished to speak.

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There were no resolutions.

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Council Member Woodruff moved to approve the Consent Agenda as read into the record by the Clerk.

There was no objection noted.

IX. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

There was no unfinished business.

X. NEW BUSINESS¹

1. **Ordinance Serial No. 10-33:** Amending WMC 2.04.020, Qualification of Council Members, and WMC 2.16.030, Qualification of Mayor.

Council Member Woodruff spoke to the requirements of the office of Mayor.

Discussion ensued.

MOTION: Council Member Woodruff moved to introduce Ordinance Serial No. 10-33 and set it for public hearing on October 11, 2010.

VOTE: The motion to introduce Ordinance Serial No. 10-33 and set it for public hearing on October 11, 2010, passed unanimously.

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There was no action taken on the communication items.

XII. AUDIENCE COMMENTS

Mr. Ron Cox:

- spoke to his professional experience as a security officer;
- commented on how he approached businesses with news of graffiti on their grounds; and
- thanked the Wasilla Area Seniors, Inc., for the use of their facility and especially their fitness programs.

Ms. Jamie Newman:

- spoke in support of Ordinance Serial Nos. 10-32, 10-33 and 10-34; and
- spoke against the \$25 filing fee required within Ordinance Serial No. 10-34.

XIII. MAYOR, CLERK AND ATTORNEY COMMENTS

Mayor Rupright:

- spoke in remembrance of Mr. Heaven; and
- spoke to the expedited meeting.

Ms. Smithers:

- reminded the Council regarding the voting times for the upcoming October 5, 2010, Regular City Election; and
- noted that there was a request for a joint meeting with the Planning Commission on Tuesday, November 9, 2010.

Discussion ensued.

Ms. Smithers:

- noted that the joint meeting with the Planning Commission regarding the Comprehensive Plan Update will be set for November 23, 2010; and
- added that the Alaska Public Offices Commission has decided not to post the financial disclosure forms online at this time.

XIV. COUNCIL COMMENTS

Council Member Woodruff queried when the results of the recent audit would be available.

Mr. Tankersley responded that the Finance Department is currently working with the auditors to finalize the report and that it should be to the Council in November.

Deputy Mayor Holler:

- asked if the graffiti at the Skate Park had been removed; and
- stated that there was graffiti along the railroad line near Burger King.

Mr. Giddings:

- responded that the Skate Park had been cleaned up several times this summer and that there have not been any recent complaints; and
- stated that the pedestrian tube near the railroad lines at Burger King had been painted over last year and that there have been no recent complaints about that area either.

Council Member Harris extended her condolences to the Heaven Family.

Council Member Larson commented on the Heaven Family and their recent loss.

XV. EXECUTIVE SESSION²

A. — Land Acquisition

There was no executive session held.

XVI. ADJOURNMENT

With no further business at hand, Mayor Rupright adjourned the meeting at 6:40 p.m.



VERNE E. RUPRIGHT, Mayor

ATTEST:



KRISTIE SMITHERS, MMC, City Clerk

Minutes approved: October 11, 2010

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