

**I. CALL TO ORDER**

The Regular Meeting of the Wasilla City Council was held on Monday, April 25, 2011, 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
- Deputy Mayor Doug Holler, Seat B
- Ms. Leone Harris, Seat C
- Ms. Colleen Sullivan-Leonard, Seat D (*via teleconference*)
- Ms. Dianne Woodruff, Seat E
- Mr. Steve Menard, Seat F

Staff in attendance were:

- Ms. Kristie Smithers, MMC, City Clerk
- Ms. Amanda E. Charles, Deputy City Clerk
- Ms. Troy Tankersley, Finance Director
- Mr. Archie Giddings, Public Works Director
- Mr. Gene Belden, Interim Police Chief
- Mr. James Hastings, Recreation and Cultural Services Manager
- Mr. Bert Cottle, Temporary Deputy Administrator
- Mr. Richard Payne, City Attorney

**III. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

Mayor Rupright asked Ms. Nancy Hall, former Council Member, to lead 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<sup>1</sup>

### A. Proclamation declaring May 2011 as Older Americans Month

Mayor Rupright read a proclamation into the record declaring May 2011 as Older Americans Months and presented the proclamation to Ms. Lois Weir.

### B. Presentation of City Seal to Ms. Nancy Hall, former Council Member.

Mayor Rupright presented the City Seal to Ms. Nancy Hall in recognition of her service to the City of Wasilla as a former Council Member.

## VI. COMMISSION AND AGENCY REPORTS

### A. Allen Kemplen, Department of Transportation

Mr. Allen Kemplen, Department of Transportation, provided a report on road projects in and around the City of Wasilla.

### B. Matanuska-Susitna Borough

Mr. Mark Ewing, Assembly Member, District 4:

- reported on the Matanuska-Susitna Borough (MSB) budget and the associated School District Budget; and
- spoke briefly regarding library funding and asked for the Council to take decisive action.

### C. Planning Commission

Mr. Steve Dehart, Commissioner, spoke regarding their previous meeting, specifically to AM No. 11-01, authorizing a land swap between the Church of the Nazarene and the City of Wasilla, and stated that it had passed the Planning Commission.

### D. Parks and Recreation Commission

Ms. Randi Robinson, Commissioner, spoke regarding Wasilla Clean Up Days 2011.

## VII. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

### A. Public Hearings

1. **Ordinance Serial No. 11-14:** Amending WMC 16.16.060, Specific Approval Criteria, to remove the limit on number of children permitted in a day care facility in the commercial zoning district; and amending WMC 16.20.020, District Use Chart, to change the required review from a use permit to an administrative approval.

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<sup>1</sup> Presentation of the City Seal to Ms. Nancy Hall was added to the agenda on April 25, 2011.

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 Woodruff moved to adopt Ordinance Serial No. 11-14.

VOTE: The motion to adopt Ordinance Serial No. 11-14 passed unanimously (Menard exited the room and did not vote on the motion).

- Ordinance Serial No. 11-15:** Amending the FY11 Police Department Budget by accepting and appropriating funds from the Alaska Highway Safety Office in the amount of \$1,861 for the Problem-Oriented Policing and Crime Analysis Grant.

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 Woodruff moved to adopt Ordinance Serial No. 11-15.

VOTE: The motion to adopt Ordinance Serial No. 11-15 passed unanimously.

- Ordinance Serial No. 11-16:** Providing for the adoption of the annual budget for the fiscal year 2012 and appropriating funds to carry out said budget.

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 Woodruff moved to adopt Ordinance Serial No. 11-16.

MOTION: Council Member Menard moved a primary amendment to adopt amendment no. 1.

Amendment No. 1 – General Fund, General Administrative Services – FY 2012

Account #	Account Name	Beginning Budget Amount	Increase Budget	Decrease Budget	Ending Budget Amount
001-4134-414-10-10	Regular	\$107,162	\$28,018		\$135,180
001-4134-414-10-20	Overtime	\$3,023	\$1,313		\$4,336
001-4134-414-20-10	Health Insurance	\$43,570		\$21,785	\$21,785

001-4134-414-2015	Health Reimbursement	\$3,000		\$1500	\$1,500
001-4134-414-2020	Medicare	\$1,598	\$425		\$2,023
001-4134-414-20-30	PERS	\$24,241		\$8447	\$15,794
001-4134-414-20-40	SBS	\$6,754	\$1,798		\$8,552
001-4134-414-20-60	Workers Compensation	\$664	\$178		\$842
	<b>Total Budget Adjustment:</b>	\$190,012	\$31,732	\$31,732	\$190,012

Discussion ensued.

VOTE: The primary amendment to adopt Amendment No. 1 passed unanimously.

MOTION: Council Member Menard moved a primary amendment to adopt Amendment No. 2

Amendment No. 2 – General Fund, Code Compliance – FY2012

Account #	Account Name	Beginning Budget Amount	Increase Budget	Decrease Budget	Ending Budget Amount
001-4260-420-20-60	Workers Compensation	\$124	\$579		\$703
	<b>Total Budget Adjustment:</b>	\$124	\$579		\$703

VOTE: The primary amendment to adopt Amendment No. 2 passed unanimously.

MOTION: Council Member Menard moved a primary amendment to adopt Amendment No. 3.

Amendment No. 3 – General Fund, Council – FY2012

Account #	Account Name	Beginning Budget Amount	Increase Budget	Decrease Budget	Ending Budget Amount
001-4115-411-50-85	Dues & Subscriptions	\$9,425		\$1,425	\$8,000
	<b>Total Budget Adjustment:</b>	\$9,425		\$1,425	\$8,000

VOTE: The primary amendment to adopt Amendment No. 3 passed unanimously.

MOTION: Council Member Menard moved a primary amendment to adopt Amendment No. 4.

Amendment No. 4 – General Fund, Revenue – General Government – FY2012

<b>Account #</b>	<b>Account Name</b>	<b>Beginning Budget Amount</b>	<b>Increase Budget</b>	<b>Decrease Budget</b>	<b>Ending Budget Amount</b>
001-0000-335-11-00	Revenue Sharing	\$460,000	\$22,558		\$482,558
	<b>Total Budget Adjustment:</b>	\$460,000	\$22,558		\$482,558

VOTE: The primary amendment to adopt Amendment No. 4 passed unanimously.

MOTION: Council Member Menard moved a primary amendment to adopt Amendment No. 5.

Amendment No. 5 – General Fund, Public Safety – Administration – FY2012

<b>Account #</b>	<b>Account Name</b>	<b>Beginning Budget Amount</b>	<b>Increase Budget</b>	<b>Decrease Budget</b>	<b>Ending Budget Amount</b>
001-4210-420-60-16	Small Tools & Equipment	\$570	\$2,000		\$2,570
	<b>Total Budget Adjustment:</b>	\$570	\$2,000		\$2,570

VOTE: The primary amendment to adopt Amendment No. 5 passed unanimously.

MOTION: Council Member Menard moved a primary amendment to adopt Amendment No. 6.

Amendment No. 6 – General Fund, Human Resources – FY2012

Account #	Account Name	Beginning Budget Amount	Increase Budget	Decrease Budget	Ending Budget Amount
001-4136-414-30-34	Other Professional Services – Other	\$15,350	\$10,000		\$25,350
001-4136-414-10-10	Regular	\$101,643	\$3,293		\$104,936
001-4136-414-10-20	Overtime	\$1,125	\$65		\$1,190
001-4136-414-20-20	Medicare	\$1,491	\$48		\$1,539
001-4136-414-20-30	PERS	\$22,609	\$738		\$23,347
001-4134-414-20-20	Medicare	\$1,598	\$425		\$2,023
001-4136-414-20-40	SBS	\$6,300	\$206		\$6,506
001-4136-414-20-60	Workers Compensation	\$620	\$21		\$641
	<b>Total Budget Adjustment:</b>	\$149,138	\$14,371		\$163,509

VOTE: The primary amendment to adopt Amendment No. 6 passed unanimously.

MOTION: Council Member Menard moved a primary amendment to adopt Amendment No. 7.

Amendment No. 7 – Vehicle Replacement, Public Safety – FY2012

Account #	Account Name	Beginning Budget Amount	Increase Budget	Decrease Budget	Ending Budget Amount
120-4230-420-70-42	Vehicles	\$144,000		\$144,000	\$0
	<b>Total Budget Adjustment:</b>	\$144,000		\$144,000	\$0

VOTE: The primary amendment to adopt Amendment No. 7 passed unanimously.

MOTION: Council Member Menard moved a primary amendment to adopt Amendment No. 8.

Amendment No. 8 – General Fund, Mayor’s Office – FY2012

Account #	Account Name	Beginning Budget Amount	Increase Budget	Decrease Budget	Ending Budget Amount
001-4130-413-50-85	Dues and Subscriptions	\$725		\$725	\$0
	<b>Total Budget Adjustment:</b>	\$725		\$725	\$0

Discussion ensued.

VOTE: The primary amendment to adopt Amendment No. 8 passed unanimously.

MOTION: Council Member Menard moved a primary amendment to adopt Amendment No. 9.

Amendment No. 9 – General Fund, Public Works – Administration – FY2012

Account #	Account Name	Beginning Budget Amount	Increase Budget	Decrease Budget	Ending Budget Amount
001-4.10-431-50-81	Travel	\$4,500		\$4,500	\$2,043
	<b>Total Budget Adjustment:</b>	\$4,500		\$4,500	\$2,043

VOTE: The primary amendment to adopt Amendment No. 9 passed unanimously.

MOTION: Council Member Menard moved a primary amendment to adopt Amendment No. 10.

Amendment No. 10 – General Fund, City Council

Account #	Account Name	Beginning Budget Amount	Increase Budget	Decrease Budget	Ending Budget Amount
001-4115-411-50-81	Vehicles	\$19,844		\$7,290	\$12,554
	<b>Total Budget Adjustment:</b>	\$19,844		\$7,290	\$12,554

Discussion ensued.

MOTION: Council Member Menard called for the question (to stop debate).

GENERAL CONSENT: There was no objection noted.

VOTE: The primary amendment to adopt Amendment No. 10 failed with Council Members Holler, Katkus, Menard and Woodruff opposed and Council Members Harris and Sullivan-Leonard in favor.

MOTION: Council Member Menard moved a primary amendment to adopt Amendment No. 11.

Amendment No. 11 – General Fund, City Council – FY2012

Account #	Account Name	Beginning Budget Amount	Increase Budget	Decrease Budget	Ending Budget Amount
001-4115-411-60-15	Small Tools and Equipment	\$2,000		\$2,000	\$0
	<b>Total Budget Adjustment:</b>	\$2,000		\$2,000	\$0

Discussion ensued.

VOTE: The primary amendment to adopt Amendment No. 11 failed with Council Members Holler, Katkus, Menard and Woodruff opposed and Council Members Harris and Sullivan-Leonard in favor.

*(The regular meeting recessed at 6:44 p.m. and reconvened at 6:50 p.m.)*

Ms. Smithers read the adjusted figures into the record.

VOTE: The motion to adopt Ordinance Serial No. 11-16, as amended, passed unanimously.

- Ordinance Serial No. 11-17:** Amending the FY11 budget by appropriating \$22,100 of Federal Asset Forfeiture Funds to cover expenditures incurred in continuing the Police Canine Program.

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 Woodruff moved to adopt Ordinance Serial No. 11-17.

Discussion ensued.

VOTE: The motion to adopt Ordinance Serial No. 11-17 passed unanimously.



5. **Ordinance Serial No. 11-19:** Authorizing the exchange of City land with the Wasilla Lake Church of the Nazarene, under WMC 5.32, Sale or Lease of Public Lands; authorizing the Mayor to execute and deliver a contract for the land exchange; and providing for related matters.

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 Woodruff moved to adopt Ordinance Serial No. 11-19.

Discussion ensued.

VOTE: The motion to adopt Ordinance Serial No. 11-19 passed unanimously.

B. Persons to be Heard

Ms. Bonnie Quill informed the Council about the Mat-Su Valley Visitor Center Gathering on Wednesday, May 11, 2011, and invited them to attend.

Mr. Julie Baird reminded the Council about the summer program at Baird University and provided further information on classes it will be providing.

### VIII. CONSENT AGENDA

A. Minutes of Preceding Meetings:

1. Regular Meeting: April 11, 2011
2. Special Meeting: April 11, 2011

B. Introduction of Ordinances: Recommended for Public Hearing on May 9, 2011:

1. **Ordinance Serial No. 11-18:** Adopting a new code section, WMC 8.12, Trash and Junk.
2. **Ordinance Serial No. 11-20:** Amending WMC 2.64, Parks and Recreation Commission, to change the residency requirements of the commission.

C. Resolutions

There were no resolutions presented.

D. Action Memorandums

1. **AM No. 11-09:** Authorization to extend the lease for Arctic Baby Bottoms at the Meta-Rose Square, for eighteen (18) months.

The 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: There was no objection noted and the Consent Agenda was approved as read into the record.

**IX. UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

There was no unfinished business.

**X. NEW BUSINESS**

There was no new business.

**XI. COMMUNICATIONS**

A. Informational Memorandums

1. **IM No. 11-06:** Monthly financial reports for the period ending February 2011 to include the month-to-date expenditure report and expenditures greater than \$5,000.

B. Commission Minutes

1. Parks and Recreation Commission: March 23, 2011
2. Planning Commission: March 22, 2011; April 12, 2011

There was no action taken on the communication items.

**XII. AUDIENCE COMMENTS**

Mr. John Dewer spoke regarding the K-9 program at the Wasilla Police Department.

**XIII. MAYOR, CLERK AND ATTORNEY COMMENTS**

Mr. Payne:

- spoke regarding the upcoming junk and trash ordinance; and
- recognized Mr. Hastings for the excellent work he and his staff did at the Curtis D. Menard Memorial Sports Center in order to host the State Wrestling Tournament.

Ms. Smithers:

- noted the cancellation of the May 2, 2011, Special City Council Meeting regarding the FY2012 budget due to the fact that the budget had been adopted; and
- commented on a redistricting board meeting she attended today with Mayor Rupright and Mr. Cottle.

#### **XIV. COUNCIL COMMENTS**

Council Member Woodruff thanked Mr. Tankersley for the clarifications provided in IM No. 11-06

Menard spoke regarding funding problems with the library;

- Commented on the junk and trash ordinance and the need for one;
- May 7, Colony High School, for the Menard Run;
- thanked Ms. Quill for reporting to the City Council;
- encouraged Mr. Giddings to seek grants through the bed tax for park improvements.

Council Member Harris spoke regarding the importance of keeping trash out of the City Right of ways.

Council Member Katkus

- Commented on a small business association meeting she attended in Anchorage;
- Hydro-electric project is in the analytical phase right now;
- Spoke briefly about the wrestling team;
- Noted that Valley Performing Arts did an outdoor performance;
- Informed the Police Chief that she has received complaints regarding people running red lights;

Deputy Mayor Holler thanked everyone for attending as well as administration for their work on the budget.

Council Member Sullivan-Leonard thanked everyone for their time.

#### **XV. EXECUTIVE SESSION**

A. Labor negotiations with an employee bargaining unit or its representative (Resolution Serial No. 11-13).

**MOTION:** Council Member Menard moved to enter into executive session.

**GENERAL CONSENT:** There was no objection noted and the Council moved into executive session at 7:17 p.m. Those present during the executive session were the entire Council (Council Member Sullivan-Leonard via teleconference), Mayor Rupright, City Clerk, Recreational and Cultural Services Manager, Finance Director, and Temporary Deputy Administrator.

The executive session ended at 7:26 p.m. and Mayor Rupright directed the Council to Resolution Serial No. 11-13.

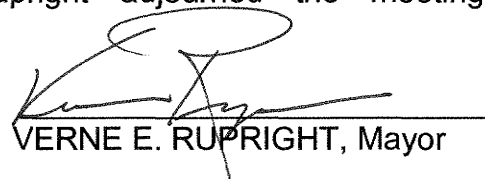
1. **Resolutions Serial No. 11-13:** Ratifying the collective bargaining agreement between the City of Wasilla and the Laborers International Union of North America, Local 341 dated July 1, 2011 through June 30, 2014.

MOTION: Council Member Menard moved to adopt Resolution Serial No. 11-13.

VOTE: The motion to adopt Resolution Serial No. 11-13 passed unanimously.

## XVI. ADJOURNMENT

With no further business at hand, Mayor Rupright adjourned the meeting at 7:27 p.m.



VERNE E. RUPRIGHT, Mayor

ATTEST:



AMANDA E. CHARLES, CMC, Deputy City Clerk

Minutes approved: May 9, 2011