

I. CALL TO ORDER

The Special Meeting of the Wasilla City Council was held on Monday, January 12, 2009, at the Wasilla City Council Chambers, Wasilla, Alaska. Mayor Verne E. Rupright called the meeting to order at 5:30 p.m. for the purpose of the addressing the state of the City.

II. ROLL CALL/APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Council Members present and establishing a quorum were:

- Mr. Ron Cox, Seat A
- Deputy Mayor Doug Holler, Seat B
- Ms. Leone Harris, Seat C
- Ms. Nancy R. Hall, Seat D
- Ms. Dianne Woodruff, Seat E

Mayor Rupright noted that Mr. Kristofer Larson, Seat F, was absent and excused, unless objection was noted. No objection was noted.

Staff in attendance were:

- Ms. Kristie Smithers, City Clerk
- Ms. Amanda E. Charles, Deputy Clerk
- Ms. Cheryl Deariso, Chief Financial Officer
- Mr. Archie Giddings, Director of Public Works
- Ms. Angella Long, Police Chief
- Mr. Bruce Urban, Recreation and Cultural Services Manager
- Mr. Brad Young, Purchasing Officer
- Mr. Marvin Yoder, Deputy Administrator

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

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

III. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Mayor Rupright led the Pledge of Allegiance.

IV. TOPIC OF DISCUSSION

A. State of the City – Fiscal Year 2009 Goals and Initiatives Review

Mayor Rupright reported on the State of the City for the City of Wasilla.

V. AUDIENCE COMMENTS

There were no comments provided.

VI. MAYOR, CLERK AND COUNCIL COMMENTS

Council Member Hall congratulated Mayor Rupright on his speech.

Council Member Cox commended Mayor Rupright on the specificity within his speech.

Council Member Harris:

- thanked Mayor Rupright for his speech; and
- thanked him for hanging the pictures of George Washington and Abraham Lincoln throughout the City's buildings.

Council Member Woodruff and Deputy Mayor Holler expressed their appreciation for the Mayor's synopsis on the state of the City.


Mayor Rupright:

- introduced Mr. Brad Young, the new purchasing officer; and
- commented on the amount of money Mr. Young had already saved the City.

Mr. Young provided a brief history on his professional background.

VII. ADJOURNMENT

With no further business at hand, Mayor Rupright, adjourned the meeting at 6:02 p.m.



VERNE E. RUPRIGHT, Mayor

ATTEST:



KRISTIE SMITHERS, MMC, City Clerk

Minutes approved: January 26, 2009