

## A. CALL TO ORDER

A regular meeting of the Palmer City Council was held on June 22, 2021, at 7:00 p.m. in the Council Chambers, Palmer, Alaska. Mayor DeVries called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

## B. ROLL CALL

Comprising a quorum of the Council, the following were present:

Edna DeVries, Mayor	Sabrena Combs, Deputy Mayor
Julie Berberich	Brian Daniels
Richard W. Best (participated telephonically)	Jill Valerius (participated telephonically)
Steve Carrington	

Staff in attendance were the following:

John Moosey, City Manager	Michael Gatti, City Attorney (participated telephonically)
Norma I. Alley, MMC, City Clerk	Kara Johnson, Deputy City Clerk

## C. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The Pledge of Allegiance was performed.

Council Member Best joined the meeting at 7:02 p.m.

## D. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

1. Consent Agenda
  - a. Introduction and Setting a Public Hearing for July 13, 2021, for **Ordinance No. 21-010:** Amending Palmer Municipal Code Chapter 17.86 Allowing Accessory Dwelling Units in the Commercial Limited and Commercial General Districts and Elimination of Lot Size Requirements Within the Central Business
  - b. Introduction and Setting a Public Hearing for July 13, 2021, for **Ordinance No. 21-011:** Amending Palmer Municipal Code Section 3.16.050 Pertaining to the Removal of Sales Tax Exemptions at the Warren "Bud" Woods Palmer Municipal Airport
  - c. Introduction and Setting a Public Hearing for July 13, 2021, for **Ordinance No. 21-012:** Amending Palmer Municipal Code Chapter 12.08 Pertaining to the Fuel Flowage Fee for the Warren "Bud" Woods Palmer Municipal Airport
  - d. **Resolution No. 21-022:** Appointing Election Officials for the City of Palmer Regular Election on Tuesday, October 5, 2021

### Main Motion: To Approve the Agenda and Consent Agenda

Moved by:	Combs
Seconded by:	Daniels
Vote:	6 Yes/1 Absent (Best)
Action:	Motion Carried

Council Member Best joined the meeting at 7:02 p.m.

**E. COMMUNICATIONS AND APPEARANCES REQUEST**

- 1. Presentation of a Proclamation to Palmer High School Baseball Team in Recognition of Wining the State Championship

Mayor DeVries presented a proclamation to Palmer High School Baseball Team in recognition of winning the State Championship. Coach Dave Combs accepted the proclamation on behalf of the team.

- 2. Presentation from Scottish Highland Games Coordinator Jeni McDaniel Regarding the Scottish Highland Games

Ms. Jeni McDaniel highlighted Scottish Highland Games events, which are to be held on June 26 - 27, 2021, at the Alaska State Fairgrounds and presented the Council with a flyer of the event.

**F. REPORTS**

- 1. City Manager’s Report

City Manager Moosey reported on upcoming events, upcoming legislation, and state COVID-19 funding for the community.

- 2. City Clerk’s Report
a. Accept City Clerk Resignation

City Clerk Alley reported regarding the city of Palmer’s Service, special meeting scheduled for July 6, and the appeal process of variances and applicants.

**Main Motion: To Accept City Clerk Alley’s Resignation with Many Regrets and Thanks**

Moved by:	Combs
Seconded by:	Best
Vote:	Unanimous
Action:	Motion Carried

- 3. Mayor’s Report
a. Palmer Pride Awards Nominations

Mayor DeVries spoke on the cancelation of the 40<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of Sister City, Soroma, Japan.

Council Member Best left the meeting at 7:46 p.m.

- 4. City Attorney’s Report

None.

Council Member Best joined the meeting at 7:49 p.m.

**G. AUDIENCE PARTICIPATION**

Mr. Ron Huskstep spoke against the legality of city-wide bingles currency.

Ms. Chris Tyree spoke against the COVID-19 vaccine.

Mr. Erik Anderson spoke on the process of requesting city variances.

Ms. Cindy Hudgins spoke on the conflict of city event planning in downtown on July 17.

Mr. Mike Chmielewski spoke on the passing Fire Chief Contini and his contributions to the community.

Ms. Jackie Goforth spoke on the effects of COVID-19.

## H. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

1. **Ordinance No. 21-008:** Amending Palmer Municipal Code Chapter 8.20 Regarding Garbage Collection and Disposal (Pending Motion)

### Primary Amendment #1: To Approve the Amendments Proposed by City Attorney Gatti

Moved by:	Combs
Seconded by:	Best
Vote:	Unanimous
Action:	Motion Carried

### Vote on Motion: To Approve Ordinance No. 21-008 as Amended

Vote:	Unanimous
Action:	Motion Carried

## I. NEW BUSINESS

1. **Resolution No. 21-023:** Amending the 2021 City of Palmer Employee Pay Plan

### Main Motion: To Approve Resolution No. 21-023

Moved by:	Combs
Seconded by:	Valerius
Vote:	Unanimous
Action:	Motion Carried

2. **Action Memorandum No. 21-039:** Directing the City Manager to Notify the State of Alaska of the City Council's Statement of Non-Objection for the Renewal of Liquor License No. 3767 for the HumDingers Gourmet Pizza Located at 173 S. Valley Way

### Main Motion: To Approve Action Memorandum No. 21-039

Moved by:	Combs
Seconded by:	Valerius
Vote:	Unanimous
Action:	Motion Carried

3. **Action Memorandum No. 21-040:** Directing the City Manager to Notify the State of Alaska of the City Council's Statement of Non-Objection for the Renewal of Liquor License No. 5854 for the Bleeding Heart Brewery Located at 562 S. Denali Street

### Main Motion: To Approve Action Memorandum No. 21-040

Moved by:	Carrington
Seconded by:	Berberich
Vote:	Unanimous
Action:	Motion Carried

## J. EXECUTIVE SESSION

1. Matters, the Immediate Knowledge of Which Would Clearly Have an Adverse Effect Upon the Finances of the Public Entity and Matter which by Law, Municipal Charter, or Ordinances are Required to be Confidential – Potential Litigation Attorney Client Communication: State of Alaska City of Palmer

Dispatch Agreement (note: action may be taken by the council following the executive session)

City Manager Moosey stated Executive Session was not needed at this time.

**K. RECORD OF ITEMS PLACED ON THE TABLE**

City Clerk Alley reported written testimony from Mr. Erik Anderson and proposed amendments to Ordinance No. 21-008 were Items Placed on the Table (see official meeting packet for items placed on the table).

**L. AUDIENCE PARTICIPATION**

Mr. Erik Anderson spoke on the effects ATV riding within city limits.

Mr. Mike Chmielewski spoke on the effects ATV riding within city limits.

**M. COUNCIL COMMENTS**

No direction given to staff for legislation to placed on a future agenda.

**N. ADJOURNMENT**

With no further business before the Council, the meeting adjourned at 8:24 p.m.

**Approved this 27<sup>th</sup> day of July, 2021.**

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Nichole Degner, Interim City Clerk

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Edna B. DeVries, Mayor