

A. CALL TO ORDER

A regular meeting of the Palmer City Council was held on February 12, 2019, 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
Julie Berberich
Steve Carrington

Sabrena Combs
David Fuller
Pete LaFrance, Deputy Mayor

Council Member Linda Combs was absent and excused.

Staff in attendance were the following:

Nathan Wallace, City Manager
Norma I. Alley, MMC, City Clerk

Michael Gatti, City Attorney
Angie Anderson, Deputy City Clerk

C. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The Pledge of Allegiance was performed.

D. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

1. Approval of Consent Agenda
 - a. **Action Memorandum No. 19-011:** Authorizing the City Manager to Purchase One New Light Duty Pickup Truck in the Amount of \$31,654.00 for the Water/Wastewater Division
 - b. **Action Memorandum No. 19-012:** Authorizing the City Manager to Purchase One New Light Duty Pickup Truck in the Amount of \$42,673.00 for the Solid Waste/Parks Division
 - c. **Action Memorandum No. 19-013:** Authorizing the City Manager to Execute a Contract with Cree Lighting c/o Arctic Sales, Inc for 26 LED Street Light Luminaries for a Total Cost of \$15,170.00
 - d. **Action Memorandum No. 19-014:** Authorizing the City Manager to Execute a Contract with Sternberg Lighting c/o Arctic Sales, Inc for 22 LED Decorative Street Light Luminaries for a Total Cost of \$30,624.00
 - e. **Action Memorandum No. 19-015:** Authorizing the City Manager to Sign Amendment No. Four to the Contract for Visitors Information Services Awarded to the Palmer Museum of History and Art on March 10, 2015, to Reflect 2019 Payments
 - f. **Action Memorandum No. 19-016:** Authorizing the City Manager to Sign Amendment No. Seven to the Contract Awarded to the Palmer Museum of History and Art on February 14, 2012, for Curatorial, Archival, and Museum Services to Reflect 2019 Payments
 - g. **Action Memorandum No. 19-017:** Authorizing the City Manager to Purchase Golf Carts from the Anchorage Golf Course
 - h. **Action Memorandum No. 19-018:** Confirming the Mayor's Nomination of Marilyn Bennett to the Parks, Recreation and Cultural Resources Advisory Board with a Term Ending October 31, 2019

2. Approval of Minutes of Previous Meetings
 - a. January 8, 2019, Regular Meeting
 - b. January 15, 2019, Joint Meeting with Airport Advisory Commission

Main Motion: To Approve Agenda, Consent Agenda, and Minutes Reflecting Changes to the Monetary Amount in the Titles for Action Memorandum 19-011 and Action Memorandum 19-012

Moved by:	S. Combs
Seconded by:	Fuller
In favor:	Berberich, Carrington, S. Combs, DeVries, Fuller, LaFrance
Opposed:	None
Absent:	L. Combs
Action:	Motion Carried

E. REPORTS

1. City Manager’s Report

City Manager Wallace handed out a written report (see official meeting packet for report), updated the Council on the state approval process for the Arctic Street crosswalk, and announced the city would be receiving \$200,000.00 from the MSB for road projects.

2. City Clerk’s Report

City Clerk Alley highlighted her written report and reminded Council of upcoming events.

3. Mayor’s Report

Mayor DeVries highlighted her written report and announced the Golden Heart Lifetime Achievement Award would be handed out at the Palmer Pride Picnic in July.

4. City Attorney’s Report

None.

F. AUDIENCE PARTICIPATION

Mr. Dennis Hamann, Palmer Cemetery Association President, announced the cemetery would be full in 10 years and only 700 plots are still available. He Hoped the Council would provide a plan for future cemetery space and maintenance of the current cemetery.

Mrs. Lee Henrikson asked if a current city owned four-wheeler could be used to remove snow. City Manager Wallace responded that it would not be feasible to use for snow removal, but was utilized for maintenance within the city.

Mr. Jeff Gail, The YAK Director, testified to the future of The Yak and asked the Council to approve his grant request.

G. PUBLIC HEARING

1. **Resolution No. 18-001-B:** Amending the 2018 City of Palmer Budget for the Fiscal Year Ending December 31, 2018

Mayor DeVries opened the public hearing on Resolution No.18-001-B. Hearing no objection from the Council, Mayor DeVries closed the public hearing.

Main Motion: To Approve Resolution No. 18-001-B

Moved by:	S. Combs
Seconded by:	Fuller
In favor:	Berberich, Carrington, S. Combs, DeVries, Fuller, LaFrance
Opposed:	None
Absent:	L. Combs
Action:	Motion Carried

2. Joint Public Hearing for:
 - a) **Resolution No. 19-008:** Accepting and Appropriating the 2019 State of Alaska High Visibility Enforcement Overtime Grant 405d M5HVE-19-01-FA(A)-10 in the Amount of \$16,120.00 to be Used for High Visibility DUI Enforcement Activities by the Palmer Police Department
 - b) **Resolution No. 19-009:** Accepting and Appropriating the 2019 State of Alaska High Visibility Click It or Ticket Enforcement Grant 402PT-19-06-00 (A)-8 in the Amount of \$2,080.00 to be Used for High Visibility Seatbelt Enforcement Activities by the Palmer Police Department

Mayor DeVries opened the public hearing on Resolution No. 19-008 and Resolution No. 19-009. Hearing no objection from the Council, Mayor DeVries closed the public hearing.

Main Motion: To Approve Resolution No. 19-008 and Resolution No. 19-009

Moved by:	Fuller
Seconded by:	Carrington
In favor:	Berberich, Carrington, S. Combs, DeVries, Fuller, LaFrance
Opposed:	None
Absent:	L. Combs
Action:	Motion Carried

3. **Resolution No. 19-010:** Appropriating \$13,134.00 for the Purchase of a VENTRAC Sidewalk Snow Vehicle (SSV) and Attachments and Authorizing the City Manager to Purchase a VENTRAC SSV with Attachments in the Amount of \$27,966.85

City Manager Wallace reported the city does not have proper tools or equipment for removing snow from the sidewalks and this equipment would allow proper sidewalks clearing to meet community needs.

Mayor DeVries opened the public hearing on Resolution No. 19-010.

Mr. Herb Bischoff testified he supported the purchase of the snow removal equipment and requested a community education campaign for sidewalk responsibility and enforcement.

Hearing no objection from the Council, Mayor DeVries closed the public hearing.

Main Motion: To Approve Resolution No. 19-010

Moved by:	S. Combs
Seconded by:	Fuller
In favor:	Berberich, Carrington, S. Combs, DeVries, Fuller, LaFrance
Opposed:	None
Absent:	L. Combs
Action:	Motion Carried

H. NEW BUSINESS

1. **Action Memorandum No. 19-019:** Approving a Council Community Grant in the Amount of \$5,000.00 to the YAK for Renovations

Main Motion: To Approve Action Memorandum No. 19-019

Moved by:	Fuller
Seconded by:	Carrington
In favor:	Berberich, Carrington, S. Combs, DeVries, Fuller, LaFrance
Opposed:	None
Absent:	L. Combs
Action:	Motion Carried

2. **Action Memorandum No. 19-020:** Authorizing the City Manager to Negotiate and Execute a Management Services Contract with Eagle Golf Course Management, LLC

Main Motion: To Approve Action Memorandum No. 19-020

Moved by:	S. Combs
Seconded by:	Fuller
In favor:	Berberich, Carrington, S. Combs, DeVries, Fuller, LaFrance
Opposed:	None
Absent:	L. Combs
Action:	Motion Carried

3. **Action Memorandum No. 19-021:** Authorizing the City Manager to Contribute \$5,000.00 to the Alaska Municipal League (AML) to Support a Working Group Charged with Establishing a Centralized Sales Tax Administrator for Remote Sellers

Main Motion: To Approve Action Memorandum No. 19-021

Moved by:	S. Combs
Seconded by:	Carrington
In favor:	Berberich, Carrington, S. Combs, DeVries, Fuller, LaFrance
Opposed:	None
Absent:	L. Combs
Action:	Motion Carried

4. **Action Memorandum No. 19-022:** Directing the City Clerk to Notify the State of Alaska of the City Council's Statement of Non-Objection to Liquor License No. 2098 for Oaken Keg, Located at 644 W. Evergreen Avenue

Main Motion: To Approve Action Memorandum No. 19-022

Moved by:	Fuller
Seconded by:	Berberich
In favor:	Berberich, Carrington, S. Combs, DeVries, Fuller, LaFrance
Opposed:	None
Absent:	L. Combs
Action:	Motion Carried

I. RECORD OF ITEMS PLACED ON THE TABLE

City Clerk Alley reported the city manager's report was the Item Placed on the Table.

J. AUDIENCE PARTICIPATION

None.

K. COUNCIL MEMBER COMMENTS

Council Member S. Combs announced orange was worn to the meeting by herself and staff to support and bring awareness to ending teen violence, she was excited for the new snow removal equipment, and has enjoyed the livability challenge of walking and biking around town for a week.

Council Member Fuller recognized museum staff for the outstanding job on the membership drive.

Council Member Berberich stated Palmer was a wonderful city, she enjoyed walking and biking for the week, was excited about the snow removal equipment, and she appreciated public works' hard work.

Deputy Mayor LaFrance announced he enjoyed all the productive conversation at the meeting, was supportive of Palmer exploring more public transportation options, and expressed appreciation for the snow removal equipment purchase.

L. ADJOURNMENT

With no further business before the Council, the meeting adjourned at 8:13 p.m.

Approved this 12th day of March, 2019.

Norma I. Alley, MMC, City Clerk

Edna B. DeVries, Mayor