

A. CALL TO ORDER

A regular meeting of the Palmer City Council was held on September 11, 2018, 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
Steve Carrington
David Fuller
Pete LaFrance

Richard W. Best, Deputy Mayor
Sabrena Combs
Linda Combs

Staff in attendance were the following:

Nathan Wallace, City Manager
Michael Gatti, City Attorney (participated telephonically)

Norma I. Alley, MMC, City Clerk
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. Introduction of **Ordinance No. 18-006**: Amending Palmer Municipal Code Title 17 by Repealing Chapter 17.88 and Section 17.08.038 Bed and Breakfast and Enacting Chapter 17.89 Short Term Rentals
2. Approval of Minutes of Previous Meetings
 - a. August 14, 2018, Regular Meeting

Main Motion: To Approve Agenda, Consent Agenda, and Minutes

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

E. COMMUNICATIONS AND APPEARANCE REQUESTS

1. Presentation of a Proclamation to Meghan DeLand Recognizing September as Global Pulmonary Fibrosis Awareness Month.

Mayor DeVries read and presented a proclamation to Meghan DeLand. Mrs. DeLand thanked Mayor DeVries and the City Council for bringing awareness to the disease.

2. Presentation from the American Society of Civil Engineers Recognizing the City of Palmer Airport Runway Improvement Project.

Incoming President Tor Anderzen announced the Palmer Airport was chosen as the recipient of the "2017 Project of the Year" for the innovative and sustainable way Palmer completed the project and presented the award to Airport Superintendent Frank Kelly and Mayor DeVries. Airport Superintendent Kelly thanked President Anderzen for the award and stated the project was a collaboration of many people and was grateful for everyone's effort.

F. REPORTS

1. City Manager's Report

City Manager Wallace highlighted his written report and provided follow up on a citizen concern regarding the coping of identification for utility billing.

2. City Clerk's Report

City Clerk Alley highlighted her written report and announced Absentee Ballot Applications had increased due to outreach from the Clerk's Office, and extended an invitation for Council Members to attend Wasilla Head Start Open House on September 20.

3. Mayor's Report

Mayor DeVries highlighted her written report and announced a Neighborhood Watch Meeting at the Borough on September 12 at 6:00 p.m.

4. City Attorney's Report - None.

G. AUDIENCE PARTICIPATION

Mr. Stew Graham MTA Government Affairs Representative, stated MTA desired a stronger relationship with local government and he planned on attending meetings to serve as a liaison between MTA and the community.

Mr. Mike Chmielewski thanked the Council for reviewing a short-term rental policy, hoped more could be done, and asked the language to be easier to understand.

H. PUBLIC HEARING

1. **Resolution No. 18-020:** Appropriating \$61,000.00 for Public Safety Building Repair and Related Improvements and Authorizing the City Manager to Negotiate and Execute a Contract with Goertz Construction, Inc. for the Repair and Improvements to the Public Safety Building in an Amount Not to Exceed \$150,000.00

Mayor DeVries opened the public hearing on Resolution No. 18-020. Seeing no one come forward to speak and hearing no objection from the Council, the public hearing was closed.

City Manager Nathan Wallace stated the repairs were needed before the area became unsafe and funds were coming from many sources; including grant funds.

The Council took a recess from 7:37 to 7:47 p.m.

Main Motion: To Approve Resolution No. 18-020

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

- 2. **Resolution No. 18-021:** Authorizing the City Manager to Accept and Execute a Grant in the Amount of \$487,200.00 from the Federal Aviation Administration for Airport Snow Removal Equipment Purchase, Appropriating \$503,700.00 for Airport Snow Removal Equipment, and Authorizing the City Manager to Execute Two Contracts for the Purchase of Snow Removal Equipment for Airport Operations with NC Machine in the Amount of \$266,920.83 and Bob's Services in the Amount of \$247,784.25

Mayor DeVries opened the public hearing on Resolution No. 18-021. Seeing no one come forward to speak and hearing no objection from the Council, the public hearing was closed.

City Manager Wallace stated the equipment would solely be used for the airport, kept on the airport property, and managed by the airport superintendent.

Main Motion: To Approve Resolution No. 18-021

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

I. ACTION MEMORANDA - None.

J. RECORD OF ITEMS PLACED ON THE TABLE

City Clerk Alley reported there were no Items Placed on the Table.

K. AUDIENCE PARTICIPATION - None.

L. COUNCIL MEMBER COMMENTS

Council Member S. Combs encouraged all to enjoy the Homecoming football game.

Council Member Fuller thanked Fire Chief McNutt for the September 11 memorial display in front of the fire station.

Council Member L. Combs asked everyone to spread the word for early voting and stated she enjoyed the sister city visit and display at the museum.

M. ADJOURNMENT

With no further business before the Council, the meeting adjourned at 7:59 p.m.

Approved this 9th day of October, 2018.

Edna B. DeVries, Mayor

Norma I. Alley, MMC, City Clerk