

**A. CALL TO ORDER**

A special meeting of the Palmer City Council was held on October 24, 2017, at 6 p.m. in the council chambers, Palmer, Alaska.

Mayor DeVries called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

**B. ROLL CALL**

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

Edna DeVries, Mayor	Richard Best, Deputy Mayor
Steve Carrington	David Fuller
Sabrena Combs (participated by teleconference)	Brad Hanson
Pete LaFrance	

Also in attendance were the following:

Nathan Wallace, City Manager	Michael Gatti, City Attorney
Norma Alley, MMC, City Clerk	

**C. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

The Pledge of Allegiance was performed.

**D. APPROVAL OF AGENDA**

Mayor DeVries called for approval of the agenda

**Main Motion: To Approve the Agenda**

Moved by:	Fuller
Seconded by:	Best
Action:	Motion carried unanimously by roll call vote
In favor:	Best, Carrington, Combs, DeVries, Fuller, Hanson, LaFrance
Opposed:	None

**E. AUDIENCE PARTICIPATION**

None

**F. COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE**

1. 2018 City of Palmer Budget
2. 2018 City of Palmer Pay Plan
3. 2018 City of Palmer Fee Schedule
4. 2018 City of Palmer Fine Schedule
5. 2018 City of Palmer Capital Improvement Program

**Main Motion: To Enter Into a Committee of the Whole**

Moved by:	Fuller
Seconded by:	Best
Action:	Motion carried unanimously by roll call vote
In favor:	Best, Carrington, Combs, DeVries, Fuller, Hanson, LaFrance
Opposed:	None

The Council entered into a Committee of the Whole at 6:03 p.m.

Topics addressed in the Committee of the Whole included:

- Police Department Budget; and
- Fund Budget.

Council Member Hanson asked if staff had requested a figure for what it would cost for Wasilla to dispatch for the city of Palmer. City Manager Wallace responded he requested a cost estimate, but the Borough was not able to provide an estimate as they were still trying to stabilize from the contract transfer.

Council Member Hanson asked should if budgeting \$100,000.00 a year for dispatch was an adequate amount and requested an estimate from the city of Wasilla if the city of Palmer was to transfer dispatch to Wasilla. Chief Ketterling answered the \$100,000.00 was be a good figure. Council Member Hanson commented that the city owes it to the community to get a quote and look at all options available in order to reduce the budget.

Council Member Carrington asked what the percentage of the greater palmer calls were and inquired about reducing dispatch staff since losing the Borough's dispatching contract. City Manager Wallace answered the Police Department has already reduced personnel and are at the minimum staffing level with current demand for the city of Palmer.

The Council exited from Committee of the Whole at 6:45 p.m. and reconvened the Special Meeting.

**G. Record of Items Placed on the Table**

City Clerk Norma Alley reported the following documents were Items Placed on the Table:

- 2018 General Administration Services Calculation for Enterprise Funds; and
- Dispatch Revenue & Expenditure Table.

**H. COUNCIL COMMENTS**

None

**I. ADJOURNMENT**

With no further business before the Council, the meeting adjourned at 6:46 p.m.

**Approved this 28<sup>th</sup> day of November, 2017.**

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Norma I. Alley, MMC, City Clerk

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Edna B. DeVries, Mayor