

A. CALL TO ORDER

A special meeting of the Palmer City Council was held on October 18, 2016, at 6:00 pm in the council chambers, Palmer, Alaska.

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

B. ROLL CALL

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

Richard Best	David Fuller
Linda Combs	Brad Hanson
Edna DeVries	Peter LaFrance

Council Member Carrington was absent and excused.

Also in attendance were the following:

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

C. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Council Member LaFrance.

D. AUDIENCE PARTICIPATION

E. PUBLIC HEARINGS

Item 1 – Resolution No. 17-001: Adopting a Budget for the City of Palmer, Alaska for the Fiscal Year Beginning January 1, 2017, and Ending December 31, 2017, and Appropriating Monies

Mayor DeVries opened the public hearing. Seeing no one come forward to speak and hearing no objection from the Council, the public hearing was closed.

Item 2 – Resolution No. 17-002: Adopting the City of Palmer Employee Pay Plan

Mayor DeVries opened the public hearing. Seeing no one come forward to speak and hearing no objection from the Council, the public hearing was closed.

Item 3 – Resolution No. 17-003: Adopting the 2017 City of Palmer Fee Schedule for the City of Palmer for the Fiscal Year Beginning January 1, 2017 and Ending December 31, 2017

Mayor DeVries opened the public hearing. Seeing no one come forward to speak and hearing no objection from the Council, the public hearing was closed.

Item 4 – Resolution No. 17-004: Adopting the 2017 City of Palmer Fine Schedule for the City of Palmer for the Fiscal Year Beginning January 1, 2017, and Ending December 31, 2017

Mayor DeVries opened the public hearing. Seeing no one come forward to speak and hearing no objection from the Council, the public hearing was closed.

Item 5 – Resolution No. 17-005: Adopting the Five-Year Capital Improvement Program for the Fiscal Year Beginning January 1, 2017, and Ending December 31, 2017

Mayor DeVries opened the public hearing. Seeing no one come forward to speak and hearing no objection from the Council, the public hearing was closed.

F. COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE

1. 2017 City of Palmer Budget
2. 2017 City of Palmer Pay Plan
3. 2017 City of Palmer Fee Schedule
4. 2017 City of Palmer Fine Schedule
5. 2017 City of Palmer Capital Improvement Program

Main Motion: To Enter into a Committee of the Whole to discuss:

- 1. 2017 City of Palmer Budget**
- 2. 2017 City of Palmer Pay Plan**
- 3. 2017 City of Palmer Fee Schedule**
- 4. 2017 City of Palmer Fine Schedule**
- 5. 2017 City of Palmer Capital Improvement Program**

Moved by:	Combs
Seconded by:	LaFrance
Action:	Motion carried unanimously.
In favor:	Best, Combs, DeVries, Fuller, Hanson, LaFrance
Opposed:	None

The Council entered into a Committee of the Whole at 6:07 pm and exited at 7:53 pm.

Topics addressed in the Committee of the Whole included:

- Budget review process and proposed presentation schedule;
- Tax and fee burden on citizens;
- New approach to planning Capital Improvement Projects;
- Forward Funding of Capital Improvement Projects;
- Lease of airport properties;
- Purchase of equipment through the General Fund and leased to City departments; and
- Electrical plug-ins and washing facilities at the airport.

G. ADJOURNMENT

With no further business before the Council, the meeting adjourned at 7:53. pm.

Approved this 8th day of November, 2016.

Norma I. Alley, MMC, City Clerk

Edna B. DeVries, Mayor