

A. CALL TO ORDER

A special meeting of the Palmer City Council was held on February 2, 2016, at 6 pm in the council chambers, Palmer, Alaska.

Mayor Johnson called the meeting to order at 6:01 pm.

B. ROLL CALL

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

Richard Best	Brad Hanson
Steve Carrington	DeLena Goodwin Johnson
Linda Combs	Peter LaFrance
Edna DeVries	

Comprising a quorum of the Airport Advisory Board, the following were present:

John Lee	Jeff Helmericks
Ken More	Andrea Fuller
Ariel Talen-Keller	

Also in attendance were the following:

Nathan Wallace, City Manager
Janette Bower, City Clerk
Summer Rife, Deputy City Clerk
Michael Gatti, City Attorney

C. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Council Member Hanson.

D. AUDIENCE PARTICIPATION

E. NEW BUSINESS

Item 1 – Committee of the Whole

The council entered into the Committee of the Whole to discuss:

- a. Mayor and Airport Advisory Commission Chair Update
- b. Airport Master Plan Update
- c. City Manager Update Concerning Administrative Processes
- d. Name Change Update for City Council February 9, Regular Meeting Agenda
- e. Drone Information
- f. Discussion Regarding Pending Lease Applications; and

Item 2 – City Clerk Recruitment Process (Council Action Only)

The Council entered into a Committee of the Whole at 6:05 and exited at 8:54 pm.

Upon exiting the Committee of the Whole the following motions were made:

Main Motion: To Direct the Administration to Proceed with Draft A and Proceed with Advertising as recommended by the Manager

Moved by:	DeVries
Seconded by:	Best
Action:	Motion carried by unanimous voice vote
In favor:	Best, Carrington, Combs, DeVries, Hanson, Johnson, LaFrance
Opposed:	None

F. COMMISSION AND COUNCIL MEMBER COMMENTS

Commission Member Talen-Keller:

- Expanded on the Master Plan recommendations.

Commission Member Ken More:

- Voiced appreciation for the Commission’s dedication;
- Expanded on the lease template and continued success marketing the airport;
- Spoke of the discussion regarding the reversion clause;
- Stated the City had an opportunity to make the airport a premier airport in the state; and
- Expanded on Artic Air’s vision concerning airport activity.

Commission Member Helmericks:

- Spoke of the reversion clause and lease document;
- Encouraged a work session concerning finalization of the lease document; and
- Voiced his hope concerning the airport deficit.

Commission Member Lee:

- Encouraged movement of the fuel flowage ordinance; and
- Thanked the council for their attention.

Council Member Carrington:

- Encouraged movement of the fuel flowage ordinance and frangible fence issue.

Council Member LaFrance:

- Voiced appreciation for the acronyms presented by Commission Member Lee.

Council Member Best:

- Voiced appreciation for the HDL's work and presentation.

Deputy Mayor Hanson:

- Thanked HDL for their work on the Master Plan;
- Highlighted the importance of the financial and business plans;
- Voiced appreciation for the Airport Advisory Commission;
- Encouraged movement of the fuel flowage issue;
- Spoke of the lease document; and
- Stated the airport needed to be marketed by each individual.

Council Member DeVries:

- Thanked the Commission and HDL; and
- Spoke of the upcoming community meetings regarding council members in attendance.

Council Member Combs:

- Compared the City to a jewel and stated the airport was a facet of the jewel.

Mayor Johnson:

- Stated the ordinance regarding fuel flowage would move forward to the council on February 23;
- Thanked the Commission for their dedication to the airport;
- Voiced appreciation for the report concerning drones; and
- Expanded on the recent meeting between the Valley area managers and mayors.

G. ADJOURNMENT

With no further business before the Council, the meeting adjourned at 9:14 pm.

Approved this twenty third day of February, 2016.

DeLena Goodwin Johnson, Mayor

Janette M. Bower, MMC, City Clerk