

A. CALL TO ORDER

A special meeting of the Palmer City Council was held on February 24, 2009, at 6:02 pm in the council chambers, Palmer, Alaska.

Mayor Combs called the meeting to order at 6:02 pm.

B. ROLL CALL

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

Kevin Brown	Ken Erbey
Richard Best – via teleconference	Mike Chmielewski
John Combs	

The following members were absent and excused by the council:

Kathrine Vanover and Brad Hanson

Also in attendance were the following:

Dean Baugh, Acting City Manager
Janette Bower, City Clerk
Shelly Acteson, Deputy City Clerk

C. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by City Manager Bill Allen.

D. AUDIENCE PARTICIPATION

E. NEW BUSINESS

Item 1 – Green Infrastructure in the Mat-Su (Action may be taken by the Council following the Committee of the Whole):

- a. Committee of the Whole

MOVED BY:	Chmielewski	To enter into a committee of the whole to discuss Green Infrastructure in the Mat-Su
SECONDED BY:	Erbey	

VOTE ON MAIN MOTION: Carried by unanimous roll call vote			
	Yes:		No:
Chmielewski	Combs	Brown	
Erbey	Best		

MOVED BY:	Chmielewski	Requested Council direct the Clerk and Director Garley draft a resolution supporting Green Infrastructure
SECONDED BY:	Combs	

VOTE ON MAIN MOTION: Carried by unanimous roll call vote			
	Yes:		No:
Chmielewski	Combs	Brown	
Erbey	Best		

Item 2 – Discussion of an Amendment to Palmer Municipal Code 2.04.080 Meetings, to Move the City Council Meetings to a Different Night of the Week

Council Member Brown:

- spoke in favor of changing the meetings to a different night.

City Manager Allen:

- expounded on the idea of having a facility to house all local government meetings.

Council Member Chmielewski:

- spoke in favor Council representation during Assembly meetings; and
- suggested the effective date of the change take place after the next election.

Council Member Erbey:

- concurred with Council Member Chmielewski; and
- reminded Council holiday weekends usually include a Monday.

Council Member Best:

- discussed changing the meeting date to Thursdays; and
- inquired of legislation deadline issues.

City Clerk Janette Bower:

- responded to Council Member Best’s inquiry.

Mayor Combs:

- commented on Council representation during Assembly meetings.

F. ADJOURNMENT

With no further business before the council, the meeting adjourned at 6:40 pm.

Approved this tenth day of March, 2009.

/s/

John C. Combs, Mayor

/s/

Janette M. Bower, CMC, City Clerk