

Minutes of the Salem City Council Meeting held on December 14, 2011 in the Salem City Council Chambers.

Work session: 6:30 p.m.

Matt Marziale discussed the bids for a storage building to be purchased for the Loafer View Recreation Complex. The building was approved in this year's budget and is on the Council agenda tonight. He has received three bids on the building, one from Power Built Steel Buildings in the amount of \$9,993, the second is from Cleary Building in the amount of \$16,434, and the third from ICON for \$7,848.38. Matt recommended the ICON building. He stated that the city crew will do the concrete work as well as the actual erection of the building itself to help save costs.

Clark Crook, power superintendant, presented the bids that he has received for the power department trailer. This trailer will be used to carry hot sticks and other tools and equipment. The three bids for the trailer were: AAA Trailers with the "Carry on Brand" \$4936.00; Quality RV with a "Look" brand \$5292.00 and White Brothers with the "Haulmark" \$5500.00. The trailer will be enclosed. His recommendation would be the trailer from AAA.

MEETING CONVENED AT: 7:00 p.m.

CONDUCTING: Mayor Jonathan F. Cope

COUNCIL PRESENT:

Mayor Jonathan F. Cope
Councilperson Lynn Durrant
Councilperson Terry A. Ficklin
Councilperson Todd R. Gordon
Councilperson Sid Jorgensen
Councilperson Sterling Rees

STAFF PRESENT:

Jeffrey Nielson, Finance/Recorder
Chief Brad James, Police Chief
Junior Baker, City Attorney
David Johnson, Building Dept.
Bruce Ward, Public Works/Engineer

Excused:

OTHERS PRESENT

Cary Hanks, Yolanda Moser, Janie Christensen, Randy Brailsford, Aaron Cloward, Lynsey Wright, Daniel Allred, Lauren Barney, McKenna Barney, Jackson Black, Doug Julian, Tad Hoschouer, Vincent Hunt, Austin DeGraw, Tim DeGraw, Collin Walker, Kyle Larsen, Kyle Golding, Spencer Steiner, Jacob Underwood, McKay Trotter, Austin Weight, John Hoschouer.

1. VOLUNTEER MOTIVATIONAL/INSPIRATIONAL MESSAGE

Mayor Cope asked if anyone would like to give a motivational or inspirational message. Councilperson Sid Jorgensen stated he would like to offer a motivational message in the form of a prayer.

2. INVITATION TO SAY PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Mayor Cope invited those who wish to participate, to stand and say the pledge of allegiance with him. He then led the pledge of allegiance for those who wanted to participate.

3. YOUTH COUNCIL REPORT

Lynsey Wright from the youth council stated they helped with the lighting of Pond Town Christmas by providing hot chocolate and donuts. They will be shopping for their Sub for Santa and delivering gifts and other items to the families this weekend. They will be helping with the luminaries at the cemetery on Christmas Eve.

4. APPROVE PLANNING & ZONING MEMBERS

- a. Shelly Hendrickson (reappoint)**
- b. Brian Warren**

Mayor Cope went over the Planning and Zoning members, he stated that Brian Warren has agreed to take Steve Faucet's place. Shelly Hendrickson has been the chair pro-tem and he would like to reappoint her as the chair and have her continue on Planning and Zoning until 2016.

Stephen Quesenberry	Dec 2013
Shelly Hendrickson	Dec 2012 (Reappointment to 2016)
Robert Frampton	Dec 2014
Rod Christensen	Dec 2015
Brian Warren	Dec 2017

MOTION BY: Councilperson Lynn Durrant to approve Brian Warren and Shelly Hendrickson for Planning and Zoning Commission.

SECONDED BY: Councilperson Todd Gordon.

VOTE: All Affirmative (4-0).

Councilperson Ficklin arrived at the council.

5. APPROVE SALEM CITY FIRE DEPT. RULES & REGULATIONS

Chief James presented to the mayor and council, the rules and regulations for the fire department. Councilperson Rees asked if the members of the fire department have seen these. Chief James stated that the fire chief and the fire captains have reviewed them and have given their approval.

MOTION BY: Councilperson Sterling Rees to approve the Fire Dept. Rules and Regulations.

SECONDED BY: Councilperson Sid Jorgensen.

VOTE: All Affirmative (5-0).

6. APPROVE PEHP AGREEMENT

Jeff Nielson stated the PEHP Health Agreement is for the fiscal year 2011/2012. The council approved PEHP for the city employee's health insurance during the budget process this last year. PEHP is now getting the agreement to us to sign.

MOTION BY: Councilperson Sid Jorgensen to approve the PEHP agreement for 2011/2012 fiscal year.

SECONDED BY: Councilperson Terry Ficklin.

VOTE: All Affirmative (5-0).

7. APPROVE PURCHASE OF RECREATION BUILDING

Matt Marziale is asking for approval on a 30' x 30' building to be erected at the Loafer View Recreation Complex which will be used for storage of recreation equipment. He received bids from ICON for \$7,448.38, Power Built \$9,993, and Cleary \$14,834 (he noted that the Cleary Building is for a total package including installation. They would not submit a bid without installing the building).

MOTION BY: Councilperson Lynn Durrant to approve the purchase of the ICON building for \$7,448.38 for the recreation department.

SECONDED BY: Councilperson Sterling Rees.

VOTE: All Affirmative (5-0).

8. APPROVE PURCHASE OF TRAILER FOR POWER DEPT.

Bruce Ward stated that Clark Crook, Power Superintendent, explained to the Council in the work session, their need for a trailer to hold their hot sticks and other equipment.

The current budget includes the amount of \$9,500 for the purchase of a trailer. Three bids for the trailer were submitted and are as follows: AAA Trailers with the “Carry on Brand” \$4,936.00; Quality RV with a “Look” brand \$5,292.00 and White Brothers with the “Haulmark” \$5500.00

MOTION BY: Councilperson Sterling Rees to approve the purchase of the AAA trailer in the amount of \$4,936.

SECONDED BY: Councilperson Lynn Durrant.

VOTE: All Affirmative (5-0).

9. AWARD BIDS FOR IMPACT FEE STUDIES

Attorney Baker reported that the impact fees should be updated about every five years. He stated that there was a change in the impact fee laws this last year and that we should do an update to the impact fees. One of the changes in the law was that the city needs to give notice that we are going out to bid for the study. We have done the notification. The item tonight is to award the bids for the firms to begin the study, which will update our current impact fee structure. We will also make sure that we have a capital farcialities plan.

Councilperson Rees asked about new rates. Attorney Baker stated that the item tonight is to award the study; after the firms have completed the study they will bring back their recommendation to the council for impact fee rates.

The following firms are the recommendations for the different impact fee studies:

Sunrise Engineering:	Culinary Water	\$1,800
	Wastewater	\$1,800
Horrocks Engineering:	Public Safety	\$1,667
	Recreation	\$1,666
	Pressurized Irrigation	\$1,667
Comlink LS	Electrical	\$3,000

Councilperson Durrant had reservations about Comlink and asked if we want them doing the study for power again, knowing some of the issues we have had in the past. Attorney Baker stated that he has talked with Bruce Ward about this, and they felt that where it is only an update to the fees we will be okay, especially since they did the last electrical impact fee study. We will also be watching them.

MOTION BY: Councilperson Sid Jorgensen to award the bids for the impact fee studies as it has been presented.

SECONDED BY: Councilperson Lynn Durrant.

VOTE: All Affirmative (5-0).

10. APPROVE PURCHASE OF SALT STORAGE BIN COVER

Bruce Ward explained how we store the salt for snowy and icy roads at the City Shops. We have the salt in a storage bin, but it does not have a cover over it. We would like to have some type of covering to help preserve the salt from the weather. It was included in last year's budget, but we did not use the funding for it, so it was rolled over into this year's budget. In an effort to construct a facility, we have stacked concrete blocks to form the back and sides, and we are proposing a metal covering for the top. The front will have a canvass door that can be rolled up and down for access. The storage structure will be tall enough to allow a back hoe to get into the salt. The size of the storage bin will be 24' x 41'. Today he is seeking permission to purchase the covering. He has received the following bids: Inlow & Associates, \$5,855; Dreams Carports & Bldgs, \$5,491; and ICON Buildings, \$6,950. His recommendation is to purchase the covering from Dreams Carports & Building.

Councilperson Rees asked if this will fully cover the salt. Bruce stated that it would.

MOTION BY: Councilperson Lynn Durrant to approve the purchase of the Dreams and Carports building cover for \$5,491.

SECONDED BY: Councilperson Sterling Rees

VOTE: All Affirmative (5-0).

11. APPROVE WORKERS COMPENSATION INSURANCE PROVIDER

Jeff Nielson explained that during the budget process this last year he was approached by Workers Compensation Fund to give a quote on the city's workers compensation insurance. Jeff explained to them that the renewal for workers compensation is up at the first of the calendar year and to get back with him around November/December. Jeff was recently contacted again by Workers Compensation Fund to give a quote. They gave a quote of \$23,741.52. Our current provider is Utah Local Governments Trust, and they gave a quote of \$26,668.23.

MOTION BY: Councilperson Terry Ficklin to approve the Workers Compensation Fund bid for workers compensation insurance.

SECONDED BY: Councilperson Lynn Durrant.

VOTE: All Affirmative (5-0).

Mayor Cope asked the public if they had anything for the mayor and council.

Cary Hanks from the Chamber reminded the mayor and council about the luncheon on the 20th and she encouraged each of them to attend.

Yolanda Moser from the Chamber reported that on Christmas Eve, Tabitha's Way will be doing a Christmas dinner for those families who are in need.

Yolanda talked about a meeting she had with city employees (Jeff Nielson, Tammy Beck, Clark Crook, and Bruce Ward) to go over the power rates and to discuss the power usage and rate for her business (South Valley Gym). She is wondering if the council would be willing to look at creating a power rate for small business that is different than the one for larger businesses. She feels that we need more than just one power rate for all commercial users.

Mayor Cope stated that he had spoken with Councilperson Durrant earlier, regarding the current rate structure for commercial users. She too, had some concerns. Mayor Cope asked Bruce Ward to get with Clark Crook to look into this.

Yolanda stated that Salem needs to do something to make it more attractive for business to come to Salem.

Councilperson Gordon, who was also at the meeting with Yolanda, stated that we need a way to educate businesses on how their electrical rate is calculated. Especially with the demand and how it works.

Mayor Cope thanked Yolanda for her work with the chamber and working with the businesses of Salem, he also thanked Cary Hanks.

Mayor Cope asked if there were any other comments.

12. APPROVE MINUTES OF NOVEMBER 16, 2011

MOTION BY: Councilperson Lynn Durrant to approve the minutes of November 16, 2011 as written.

SECONDED BY: Councilperson Sterling Rees.

VOTE: All Affirmative (5-0).

13. APPROVE BILLS FOR PAYMENT

MOTION BY: Councilperson Sid Jorgensen to approve the bills for payment.

SECONDED BY: Councilperson Todd Gordon.

VOTE: All Affirmative (5-0).

14. PUBLIC SAFETY

Chief James stated that we are in the holiday season and he would recommend that residents lock their homes and cars. He would also encourage all residents to look on the city web page for more tips and ideas to be safe during the holiday seasons. Chief James reported on grants their department has received this last year and how they were able to get radios and printers for the police cars. This year we just received another grant that will allow us to get more defibrillators so we will have one in all of the police vehicles.

Mayor Cope thanked the police department and Chief James for their work. These grants really help the city's budget.

COUNCIL REPORTS

15. MAYOR JONATHAN F. COPE

Mayor Cope reported on the meeting that he, Bruce Ward and Attorney Baker attended during last council meeting. He stated that the Bureau of Reclamation is looking at rates for the water that is being delivered from the Strawberry Valley. He stated they are looking at rates that would be unaffordable. The rates for farmers would still be reasonable, but for the smaller users it would be very expensive. The cities that would be affected by this have asked the Bureau to extend the protest/comment period be extended. The Bureau has agreed to extend the comment/protest period. This is something that all of the cities involved will need to be aware of and make sure they are kept informed.

Councilperson Gordon was excused from council meeting.

16. COUNCILPERSON LYNN DURRANT

17. COUNCILPERSON TERRY A. FICKLIN

18. COUNCILPERSON STERLING REES

Councilperson Rees thanked the city employees for their help on lighting Pond Town Christmas.

He also reported on the recharge study that SUVMWA approved. Central Utah Water Conservation District signed the approval for their portion of the funding for the project. Bruce Ward stated that the study is about \$400,000 and the grant from the Central Utah Water Conservation District was \$200,000. They will also be getting funding from Strawberry Water Users. SUVMWA will be paying the remaining amount from their budget. SUVMWA has notified the engineering firm to proceed with the study, which will take about a year to complete.

Mayor Cope explained a little bit about the recharge study and how it will benefit the cities in the area.

Councilperson Rees mentioned how it was an honor to serve with Lynn, Terry, Todd and Mayor Cope.

19. COUNCILPERSON SID JORGENSEN

Councilperson Jorgensen thanked the city employees for all they do.

He also mentioned how it was an honor to serve with Lynn, Terry, Todd and Mayor Cope.

20. COUNCILPERSON TODD R. GORDON

21. DAVE JOHNSON, BUILDING DEPARTMENT/PUBLIC WORKS

22. BRUCE WARD, CITY ENGINEER/ PUBLIC WORKS DIRECTOR

Bruce Ward reported that the city crews will be around picking up Christmas Trees the first couple of weeks in January. The green waste will also be open for residents to take their trees down themselves.

23. ATTORNEY S. JUNIOR BAKER.

ADJOURN CITY COUNCIL MEETING

MOTION BY: Councilperson Terry Ficklin to Adjourn City Council Meeting.

SECONDED BY: Councilperson Lynn Durrant.

VOTE: All Affirmative (4-0).

MEETING ADJOURNED AT: 7:50 p.m.

Jeffrey Nielson, City Recorder