

Minutes of the Salem City Council Meeting held on January 3, 2007 in the Salem City Council Chambers.

MEETING CONVENED AT: 7:00 p.m.

CONDUCTING: Mayor J. Lane Henderson

COUNCIL PRESENT:

Mayor J. Lane Henderson
Councilperson Stanley W. Green
Councilperson Brent V. Hanks
Councilperson Terry A. Ficklin

STAFF PRESENT:

Jeffrey Nielson, City Recorder
Chief Brad James, Police Chief
David Johnson, Public Works
Junior Baker, City Attorney
Bruce Ward, City Engineer

Excused:

Councilperson Jeff D. Higginson
Councilperson Lynn Durrant

OTHERS PRESENT

Jeremy Dude
Burke Tervort
Lisa Walters
Daniel Arce
Eva Bradford
Austin Marston
Paul Ottesen
Tracy Harris
John Vega
Derk Palfreyman
Cindy Gonzalez

Paul Tervort
Linda Earls
Malerie Loveland
Steffi Minson
Lucas Klfgufs
Shirlene Ottesen
Elizabeth Nielsen
Alysha Eagle
Brad Liston
Karen Palfreyman
Clay Atchison

Mary Jo Tervort
Baylis Earls
Ben Hartman
Clyde Bradford
Lauren Larsen
Becky Ottesen
Ed Nielsen
Abbi Klingman
Robert Nelson
Daniel Fifita
Stefaine Vargas

1. VOLUNTEER MOTIVATIONAL/INSPIRATIONAL MESSAGE

Mayor Henderson asked if anyone would like to give a motivational or inspirational message. Burke Tervort stated he would like to offer a motivational message in the form of a prayer.

2. INVITATION TO SAY PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Mayor Henderson invited those, who would 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.

Mayor Henderson turned the time over to Clyde Bradford. Clyde has the agreement to have the horse drawn carriage rides around the pond during Pond Town Christmas. He presented to the city a check for the percentage of what he made. He stated it was a great year, the city crew did a great job with keeping the roads clear of snow, and he appreciated all the city did to help him out. He also stated that he picked up the carriage ride signs, and will have them for next year. He heard from many people that this is the best light display in the state. The last two weeks he was very busy, and feels he could have gotten by with adding another carriage. He may look into the possibility of adding another carriage next year.

3. SWEAR IN NEW POLICE OFFICER

Mayor Henderson stated that as the city grows, we are in need of adding another police officer. Chief James stated that it has been ten years since he has added another police officer to his force. He then introduced Blake Ottesen as the newly hired policeman. Jeffrey Nielson then swore in Blake.

4. PUBLIC HEARING

MOTION BY: Councilperson Terry Ficklin to open the public hearing.

SECONDED BY: Councilperson Stanley Green.

VOTE: All Affirmative (3-0).

- a. Paul Tervort – Clifton Carson South Estates Annexation

Mayor Henderson stated that this is the final phase of the annexation process for this property. Paul Tervort showed the plat of the annexation. Mayor Henderson then asked if there were any questions from the council or public. There were no questions.

MOTION BY: Councilperson Stanley Green to close the Public Hearing.

SECONDED BY: Councilperson Brent Hanks.

VOTE: All Affirmative (3-0).

- a. Paul Tervort – Clifton Carson South Estates Annexation

There was discussion that one of the conditions is making sure the SESD Conditions were met.

MOTION BY: Councilperson Brent Hanks to approve the Paul Tervort – Clifton Carson South Estates Annexation, with the condition that SESD buy out is met, and that it would be zoned as R2 Zone.

SECONDED BY: Councilperson Stanley Green.

VOTE: All Affirmative (3-0).

5. ROBERT NELSON – ANNEXATION OF 13 ACRES OF PROPERTY AT APPROXIMATELY 500 EAST 1280 SOUTH

Robert Nelson stated that he has 13 acres just south of his home. He would like to have that area annexed into the city. Bruce Ward showed on the map where the property was located.

MOTION BY: Councilperson Brent Hanks to allow Robert Nelson to proceed with the annexation process for further study.

SECONDED BY: Councilperson Terry Ficklin.

VOTE: All Affirmative (3-0).

6. APPROVE AUDIT REPORT

Mayor Henderson stated that in work session we had our Auditor Ed Stewart come and go over the audit report with the council. He reported to the mayor and council that the city is in good financial situation.

MOTION BY: Councilperson Terry Ficklin to approve the Audit Report for fiscal year ending June 30, 2006.

SECONDED BY: Councilperson Brent Hanks.

VOTE: All Affirmative (3-0).

7. INTERLOCAL AGREEMENT WITH ELK RIDGE FOR SEWER

Mayor Henderson stated that this agreement has been in the discussion for a while. Last council meeting it was on the agenda, and a recommendation from a citizen to change the number of connections from 500 to 200 was taken into consideration. That change has been made. So the number of connections allowed will be 200.

MOTION BY: Councilperson Stanley Green to approve the Interlocal Agreement with Elk Ridge for Sewer.

SECONDED BY: Councilperson Terry Ficklin.

VOTE: All Affirmative (3-0).

8. INTERLOCAL AGREEMENT WITH PAYSON RODEO ARENA

Councilperson Hanks stated that he is still concerned about the agreement. Who is going to pay to get the rodeo grounds fixed up, so it is useable? He feels that it will cost a lot of money to fix it up. If Payson is going to come over and benefit from using it, then they might need to help pay to fix it up. Mayor Henderson stated that we might want to table

this item, and get another meeting together to where we can discuss some of these issues that Councilperson Hanks has.

MOTION BY: Councilperson Brent Hanks to table the Interlocal Agreement with Payson, to use our Rodeo Arena, until some of the issues have been worked out.

SECONDED BY: Councilperson Stanley Green.

VOTE: All Affirmative (3-0).

Mayor Henderson stated that items 9 and 10 have been taken off of the agenda.

9. RESOLUTION AFFECTING PRELIMINARY PLATS

10. DISCUSSION ON POWER SUBSTATION BOND

11. APPROVE CITY SHOP PURCHASES

Mayor Henderson stated he would like to find a way to get the building finished. The fence is in, and one of the buildings is up. Councilperson Hanks would like to see it done while it is winter. The city crew has done some of the work on the building that was donated, but it still needs sheeting put on, along with some other items. Dave Johnson stated that the priority would be to get the sheeting done, and then try and get the heating installed so we can store some of the trucks in there. He was able to get two bids on the sheeting the remaining building. The one bid is from Craig Finster and it is for \$18,587.00, the other bid is from Blaine Oberg and it is for \$ 16,500. The bid from Oberg also includes installing the insulation. Mayor Henderson stated that we have exceeded the budget on the building, but there is still some funding left over, in Capital Improvements, from the building of the Civic Center.

MOTION BY: Councilperson Terry Ficklin to accept the Oberg bid of \$16,500 with funding to be used from the remaining funds in the capital improvement.

SECONDED BY: Councilperson Stanley Green.

VOTE: All Affirmative (3-0).

12. APPROVE MINUTES OF DECEMBER 13, 2006

Councilperson Ficklin stated that on line 653, “methane gas” should be replaced with “household garbage”.

MOTION BY: Councilperson Terry Ficklin to approve the minutes with said corrections.

SECONDED BY: Councilperson Brent Hanks.

VOTE: All Affirmative (3-0).

13. APPROVE BILLS FOR PAYMENT

MOTION BY: Councilperson Stanley Green to approve the bills for payment.

SECONDED BY: Councilperson Brent Hanks.

VOTE: All Affirmative (3-0).

14. PUBLIC SAFETY

Chief James did not have anything to report tonight.

15. OPEN DISCUSSION

Mayor Henderson asked if anyone had anything for open discussion. There were no items.

COUNCIL REPORTS

16. MAYOR J. LANE HENDERSON

17. COUNCILPERSON LYNN DURRANT

Was excused

18. COUNCILPERSON TERRY A. FICKLIN

Councilperson Ficklin did not have anything to report tonight.

19. COUNCILPERSON STANLEY W. GREEN

Councilperson Green did not have anything to report tonight.

20. COUNCILPERSON BRENT V. HANKS

Councilperson Hanks wanted to thank the electrical crew, and Steve Cox's crew, for working hard on Pond Town Christmas Lights. He stated that it went very well.

The Civic Center had its first wedding the other night. The parking lot was very crowded, and it was a mess. We also need to make sure the lights on the stage work. Councilperson Ficklin stated that he needs to work on them, and that he will get it done.

There is also a problem with renting the pavilion and the Civic Center in the summer months. We don't want both of them rented at the same time, the parking lot could not handle it, and we would not want the people using the pavilion to go use the restrooms in the Civic Center while it is being used by someone else. It was recommended from the council to only allow the Civic Center to be rented. When they rent the civic center, they will also get the pavilion with it. Councilperson Ficklin would like to see the lower pavilion fixed up.

Councilperson Hanks reported that there were 19 entries in the light parade. He wanted to thank everyone who was involved in it.

21. COUNCILPERSON JEFF D. HIGGINSON

Was excused

22. DAVE JOHNSON, PUBLIC WORKS DIRECTOR

Dave Johnson stated that our ordinance reads, on residential homes, a maximum height of 30 feet. Payson and Spanish Fork both allow up to 35 feet. With some of the newer homes, and having higher ceilings, Dave feels that we might want to consider changing it to 35 feet. The council asked to move forward with it, and to have Planning and Zoning review it.

23. BRUCE WARD, CITY ENGINEER

Bruce Ward reported on the P.I. System. We are going to meet with the water crew to go over some of the engineering. We will have the plans submitted to the state, at which time we are going to start getting construction bids. On March 7th the BWR will be having their meeting to approve our plans and award the funding. This meeting will be in St. George. If all goes well, we will be looking at closing on the bond in the middle of March. We are still looking to being on schedule for spring of 2008.

Bruce also stated that new forms have been created for On-Call, Vehicle Inspection, and a couple of others, to go along with the new personal policy.

24. ATTORNEY S. JUNIOR BAKER.

Jeff Nielson stated that we need to hire a new meter reader. We announced in the news letter that the person would need to be a resident, or serviced by Salem City Utility, he feels we need to change that and to open it up to anybody. He feels that we might get a better response. The council was okay with that.

Mayor Henderson stated that the UMPA meetings in St. George will be held on March 1, 2, and 3. He urged the council to go to the meetings.

ADJOURN CITY COUNCIL MEETING

MOTION BY: Councilperson Terry Ficklin to adjourn city council meeting.

SECONDED BY: Councilperson Stanley Green.

VOTE: All Affirmative (3-0).

MEETING ADJOURNED AT: 7:50 p.m.

Jeffrey Nielson, City Recorder