

Minutes of the Salem City Council Meeting held on January 18, 2012 in the Salem City Council Chambers.

Work Session 6:00 p.m.

Chief James talked to the Mayor and Council about a concern regarding identity theft with information that is placed on a web page. Attorney Baker stated that we need to have two ways of contacting the mayor and council. It was determined to have on the web page the mayor and council's emails along with a phone extension here at the city office. This will be used for residents to get in touch with them.

Mayor Brailsford talked about South Valley Plaza and the need to do an agreement with them regarding their utility bills. Attorney Baker will write up an agreement and will be on the agenda next council meeting.

Attorney Baker went over and discussed the Resolution that is on tonight's agenda regarding the rules of procedure for the conduct of city council meetings.

Mayor Brailsford talked about the need to have a work session with Planning and Zoning. The date of Saturday February 25th in the morning was determined. This will be a work session with Planning and Zoning and also a retreat for the council to discuss budget and goals for the upcoming budget year.

Mayor Brailsford also reported that he has been working with the board members from the various water entities. He feels we need to really work with them.

Mayor Brailsford would like to have Bruce Ward talk to the council next work session about the scheduling of the city crews.

Mayor Brailsford went over a presentation that he presented to the city employees during an employee meeting. It was entitled Making Life Better. He talked about how it starts with communication.

MEETING CONVENED AT: 7:00 p.m.

CONDUCTING: Mayor Randy A. Brailsford

COUNCIL PRESENT:

Mayor Randy A. Brailsford
Councilperson Sterling Rees
Councilperson Janie Christensen
Councilperson Aaron Cloward
Councilperson Sid Jorgensen
Councilperson Craig Warren

STAFF PRESENT:

Jeffrey Nielson, Finance/Recorder
Chief Brad James, Police Chief
Junior Baker, City Attorney

Excused:

Bruce Ward, Public Works/Engineer
David Johnson, Building Dept.

OTHERS PRESENT

Nathan Gravley, Gage Gravley, Nate Cooper, Mike Cooper, Burke Tervort, Karen Taylor, Anita Hult

1. VOLUNTEER MOTIVATIONAL/INSPIRATIONAL MESSAGE

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

2. INVITATION TO SAY PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Mayor Brailsford 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. RESOLUTION ON SALEM CITY COUNCIL RULES OF ORDER

Mayor Brailsford stated Attorney Baker went over the Resolution regarding the rules of procedure for conduct of city council meetings. He asked if there were any questions.

MOTION BY: Councilperson Aaron Cloward to approve Resolution 11812 regarding the rules of procedure for conduct of city council meetings.

SECONDED BY: Councilperson Sterling Rees.

VOTE: All Affirmative (5-0).

4. APPROVE MINUTES OF JANUARY 4, 2012

Councilperson Warren mentioned in the minutes the new council assignments were given and approved, since that night they have been changed, do the changes need to be approved. It was stated that they do not.

MOTION BY: Councilperson Craig Warren to approve the minutes of January 4, 2012 as written.

SECONDED BY: Councilperson Janie Christensen.

VOTE: All Affirmative (5-0).

5. APPROVE BILLS FOR PAYMENT

Mayor Brailsford stated the amount being approved for bills tonight is \$280,314.

MOTION BY: Councilperson Aaron Cloward to approve the bills for payment.

SECONDED BY: Councilperson Sterling Rees.

VOTE: All Affirmative (5-0).

6. OPEN DISCUSSION

Mayor Brailsford welcomed those who were in attendance and asked if anyone had anything for the council tonight. No one had anything. Councilperson Cloward asked the scouts that were present to introduce themselves. Gage Gravley and Mike Cooper introduced themselves and stated they are from Troup 1533.

COUNCIL REPORTS

7. MAYOR RANDY A. BRAILSFORD

Mayor Brailsford stated in April/May he would like to have the council go on a tour of the different facilities in Salem and if possible do a tour of the High School with Officer Gurney.

8. COUNCILPERSON STERLING REES

Councilperson Rees reported UMPA Meeting is tomorrow night and he also invited the council to the UMPA meeting in St. George on March 22 – 24th.

9. COUNCILPERSON JANIE CHRISTENSEN

Councilperson Janie Christensen reported the library has new members for the library board. They are Justin Browning, Kristine Butler, LaVera James, Suzy Carlisle and Ryan Rigby.

The Spanish Fork Salem Chamber of Commerce had their award banquet meeting on the 6th of January. Councilperson Christensen also reported the chamber is working with the Daily Herald to do monthly newsletter/ads for local businesses. It will be placed in the Daily Herald along with being mailed to every resident in Spanish Fork and Salem. Mayor Brailsford recommended that the chamber lets all of the business know about this.

Yolanda Moser, a representative from the chamber reported the chamber is getting a committee together for Salem Days and also the Trick or Treat. If the council has any recommendations for the committee, to please let her know.

10. COUNCILPERSON AARON CLOWARD

Councilperson Cloward reported the on the following recreation programs are starting, Little Hoopsters, Viper Wrestling and Indoor Soccer. Youth and Adult Basketball are currently going. He stated in July the recreation department is looking at doing a bike race, it will be the 1st “Tour-de-Salem”.

He also reported in the parks department, they have taken down “Pond Town Christmas” lights. There was some vandalism done at Knoll Park on some fencing and the spring at the top of the park. The items have been repaired.

11. COUNCILPERSON SIDNEY JORGENSEN

Councilperson Sid Jorgensen reported the Strawberry Highline Canal and Strawberry Water Users will be holding their annual board meeting where they vote on board members. Salem City would like to support Robert “Bud” Riding for board member for Strawberry Water Users, and Boyd Warren as the Strawberry Highline Canal board member.

He also reported about SUVMWA (South Utah Valley Municipal Water Association) will be meeting on Monday night. They had to move their meeting because of other conflicting meetings. Councilperson Rees stated that he would also be attending, because he is still the chairperson, until they vote for new board during the Monday meeting.

Mayor Brailsford stated the South Utah Valley Mayors group wants to set up a meeting with SUVMWA. There are a lot of issues with water. He also met with Senator Hatch today and was able to talk about the water issues in the area with him.

12. COUNCILPERSON CRAIG WARREN

Councilperson Craig Warren reported the Solid Waste District has had a truck broken so they weren't able to pick up the recycle bin this last week. He stated that they have been picking it up on Monday, Wednesday and Friday.

He had a question as he was reading the department head meeting minutes, the protocol for snow plowing was discussed, he would like to know what the protocol is. Chief James stated that his officers will call out the public works if they feel the roads need to be plowed after hours.

Mayor Brailsford reported that the city office needs to be cleared of snow anytime it does snow. We need to make sure it is safe for the public safety after hours.

13. PUBLIC SAFETY

Mayor Brailsford wanted to thank the police department and Officer Greg Gurney for the work on a case that is finally closed. Chief James reported to the council that there were a lot of man hours used on the case, and we are glad that we have solved the problem for now.

Chief James would encourage citizens to not leave their keys left in the cars. We have had some vehicle thefts the last couple of weeks because of keys left in the cars. We were able to arrest the individuals involved in the theft.

Councilperson Warren asked if the new junior high school will have an officer in there. Chief James stated we will need to talk to the school about it. Most of the junior high schools share the officer who is at the high school.

Chief James stated that the emergency management committee is starting to meet again. Gary Warner will be the chairperson for that committee.

Mayor Brailsford stated that Dave Johnson is at the Salem Canal Meeting, and Bruce Ward is at an engineering conference.

14. DAVE JOHNSON, BUILDING DEPARTMENT/PUBLIC WORKS

15. BRUCE WARD, CITY ENGINEER/ PUBLIC WORKS DIRECTOR

16. ATTORNEY S. JUNIOR BAKER.

ADJOURN CITY COUNCIL MEETING

MOTION BY: Councilperson Sid Jorgensen to adjourn city council meeting.

SECONDED BY: Councilperson Craig Warren.

VOTE: All Affirmative (5-0).

MEETING ADJOURNED AT: 7:45 p.m.

Jeffrey Nielson, City Recorder