

Minutes of the Salem City Council Meeting held on July 20, 2011 in the Salem City Council Chambers.

Work Session: 6:00 p.m. Gardner Engineering presented the Energy Audit report that they recently completed on the city buildings. They also discussed results of a survey they conducted with the residents. They recommended some solutions to the Council, which the city can do to help with energy loss in the buildings. Those recommendations can be found in the report.

Gina Griffiths, Reed Cornaby, and Lorraine Underwood came and presented the names for the Family of the Year, the Volunteer of the Year, and the Grand Marshall for Salem Days. The council voted, using secret ballots, to vote on the names, the ballot was then given to Reed Cornaby to count the votes.

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

J. Reed Cornaby, Janie Christensen, Dale Boman, Dana L. Jones, Amilyn Jones

1. VOLUNTEER MOTIVATIONAL/INSPIRATIONAL MESSAGE

Mayor Cope asked if anyone would like to give a motivational or inspirational message. Dale Boman 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. ENCROACHMENT AGREEMENT ON PROPERTY LOCATED 240 S. MAIN

Attorney Baker reported that Dale Boman has sold his home and property at 240 South Main Street. When he sold it, it was noted that his garage and home encroach on city property. The agreement presented to the council tonight states that the city acknowledges and recognizes that the encroachment exists. The buildings are non-conforming, which means that neither building can be enlarged, and that if remodeled, they cannot extend beyond the current footprint. If either structure were to burn down or be extensively damaged by some other form of disaster, they would be able to rebuild, as long as they stay within the same footprint.

MOTION BY: Councilperson Terry Ficklin to approve the Encroachment Agreement on the Dale Boman property located at 240 South Main.

SECONDED BY: Councilperson Lynn Durrant.

VOTE: All Affirmative (5-0).

4. APPROVE FEE SCHEDULE

Jeff Nielson went over the fee schedule. He stated that this schedule establishes the fees that the city charges. He went over some of the rate changes that were recommended last council meeting, particularly the cemetery rates. He also asked about the utility deposit for those who live outside the city limits and have only garbage service. It was recommended that rather than charge them the full \$150, they would only be charged \$50.

Mayor Cope asked about the use of the pavilion by the civic center. It was stated that we do not rent the pavilion separately, if the civic center has been rented on that date. The concern is that those using the pavilion would tend to use the restroom facilities in the building. Mayor Cope would like to see if there is a way to rent the pavilion out without having to rent the Civic Center. It was suggested that we could allow the pavilion to be rented out not more than 30 days in advance, and that if the civic center has been rented on the requested date, that the pavilion not be rented out. The price would be the same as the pavilion at Knoll Park.

MOTION BY: Councilperson Lynn Durrant to approve the Fee Schedule as it was presented and discussed.

SECONDED BY: Councilperson Todd Gordon.

VOTE: All Affirmative (5-0).

Yolanda Moser from the Chamber explained that she has arranged a meeting for the Salem City businesses to create a coalition. The meeting will be held next Tuesday here at the city office. This first meeting will be primarily to establish a board. She invited the council to attend that meeting.

As part of the Fiesta Days celebration in Spanish Fork, the Chamber of Commerce has made arrangements for businesses who are Chamber members and do not have a Main Street Front, to locate on the sidewalk during the sidewalk sales.

At the next council meeting there will be a proclamation on the agenda stating that August 27th will be set aside UVU day.

During Salem Days, the chamber will be having a booth at the park. On Salem Day, Sequoia Motor Sports will be sponsoring boat rides around the pond on a pontoon boat. As part of the event, they will be giving a brief history of Salem as they ride. Miss Salem will be helping with this event.

5. APPROVE MINUTES OF JUNE 15, 2011

MOTION BY: Councilperson Sterling Rees to approve the minutes of June 15, 2011 as written.

SECONDED BY: Councilperson Lynn Durrant.

VOTE: All Affirmative (5-0).

6. APPROVE BILLS FOR PAYMENT

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

SECONDED BY: Councilperson Terry Ficklin.

VOTE: All Affirmative (5-0).

7. PUBLIC SAFETY

Chief James reported that within the last 30 days, they have sent out about 70 weed abatement notices. If the property owners don't comply with the notice, then the City has contracted with two companies that will cut down the weeds and the City will bill the property owners. Councilperson Durrant asked about the home on 240 East and Canal Road. Chief stated that the landscaping in that yard is a problem and a major concern for him, but that the circumstances are also very difficult. He will see what he can do to resolve the issue.

COUNCIL REPORTS

- 8. MAYOR JONATHAN F. COPE**
- 9. COUNCILPERSON LYNN DURRANT**
- 10. COUNCILPERSON TERRY A. FICKLIN**
- 11. COUNCILPERSON STERLING REES**
- 12. COUNCILPERSON SID JORGENSEN**
- 13. COUNCILPERSON TODD R. GORDON**

Councilperson Gordon asked about the road width on North Main Street in front of the new junior high. It was stated that the Nebo School District was willing to put in a full road, but the Farm Management Corporation of the LDS Church, who owns the property, did not want it done. Consequently, the School District will only be putting in the required improvements on their side of the road and asphaltting half of the road plus 12 feet.

- 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 Terry Ficklin to adjourn city council meeting.

SECONDED BY: Councilperson Todd Gordon.

VOTE: All Affirmative (5-0).

MEETING ADJOURNED AT: 8:35 p.m.

Jeffrey Nielson, City Recorder