

1 Minutes of the Salem City Council Meeting held on March 2, 2011 in the Salem City
2 Council Chambers.

3
4 **Work Session:** 6:30 p.m. Cary Hanks from the Spanish Fork/Salem Chamber of
5 Commerce came and talked to the council about the chamber. She reviewed the
6 Chamber's web site and what it has to offer the members. Cary also talked about ways
7 to work with more of the Salem Businesses. An orientation meeting was suggested, for
8 the Salem businesses, to be held on March 16, just before council meeting.

9
10 **MEETING CONVENED AT:** 7:00 p.m.

11
12 **CONDUCTING:** Mayor Jonathan F. Cope

13
14
15 **COUNCIL PRESENT:**

16
17 Mayor Jonathan F. Cope
18 Councilperson Sterling Rees
19 Councilperson Terry A. Ficklin
20 Councilperson Todd R. Gordon
21 Councilperson Sid Jorgensen

15 **STAFF PRESENT:**

16
17 Jeffrey Nielson, Finance/Recorder
18 Chief Brad James, Police Chief
19 Junior Baker, City Attorney
20 David Johnson, Building Dept.
21 Bruce Ward, Public Works/Engineer

22
23 Excused:

24 Councilperson Lynn Durrant

25
26
27 **OTHERS PRESENT**

28
29 Brinda Loss, Jason Wright, Brayden Wright, Janet Alanis, Ethan Simmons, Tai Poulsen,
30 Jonathan Hill, Craig Christensen, Neil Davis, Doman F., Seth Wride, Kam Valgandson,
31 Cameron Bradshaw, Bryson Black, Spencer Crow, Nute Cooper, Kevin Borkman, Kelly
32 Hancock, Nate Crow, Zac Peters, Ryker Drake, Taten McConahay, Kelly Frazier, James
33 Frazier, Jacob Frazier, Mitch Seipel, Chelsea Connelly, Chris Taylor, Justin Taylor,
34 Karen Taylor, Lana Creer Harris, Cary Hanks, Jason Brown, Carter Brown, Alec
35 Beardall, Tim Beardall, Darin Scott, Lynn Scott, Ryker Scott, Brooke Ford, Kelly Willas,
36 Ken Powell, Hyrum Beal, Tyson Scott, Michael McVey, Sam McVey, Heather Meads,
37 Daniel Whatcott, Ben Meads, Jaxon Van Tassell, Evan Jack, Allan Jack, Erik Sealander,
38 Rachel Paulson, Dustin Tyler Memmott II, Chantry Carter, Jill Broadhead, Evan Kaiser,
39 Justin Christensen, Landon Loss.

40
41
42 **1. VOLUNTEER MOTIVATIONAL/INSPIRATIONAL MESSAGE**

43
44 Mayor Cope asked if anyone would like to give a motivational or inspirational message.
45 Councilperson Jorgensen stated he would like to offer a motivational message in the form
46 of a prayer.

47 **2. INVITATION TO SAY PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

48

49 Mayor Cope asked Mitch Sieple, a local scout, to invite those who wish to participate, to
50 stand and say the pledge of allegiance with him. He then led the pledge of allegiance for
51 those who wanted to participate.

52

53

54 **3. YOUTH COUNCIL REPORT**

55

56 Youth Council members, Logan Bennett and Marylyn Turley, reported on the projects the
57 youth council did during the months of January and February. In January they went to
58 legislative day and learned about the Utah State Government. They were able to see a
59 legislative session in progress. In February they held a sweet heart dinner for the senior
60 citizens of Salem, and then next week they will be attending a youth council conference
61 at USU.

62

63 Councilperson Gordon asked them to put the 21st of April on their calendar, to help fill
64 Easter eggs for the Easter egg hunt on Saturday the 23rd. He also invited them to help the
65 fire department hand out prizes on that day.

66

67

68 **4. ADJOURN TO MBA MEETING**

69

70 **MOTION BY:** Councilperson Todd Gordon to close city council meeting and enter into
71 a MBA (Municipal Building Authority) meeting.

72 **SECONDED BY:** Councilperson Sterling Rees.

73 **VOTE:** All Affirmative (4-0).

74

75

76 **5. RESUME REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING**

77

78

79 **6. TERMINATION OF LEASE AGREEMENT WITH MBA**

80

81 This item is in conjunction with the MBA (Municipal Building Authority) Meeting and
82 the termination of the lease agreement that Salem City had with the MBA.

83

84 **MOTION BY:** Councilperson Sterling Rees to approve the Termination of Lease
85 Agreement with the MBA (Municipal Building Authority).

86 **SECONDED BY:** Councilperson Todd Gordon.

87 **VOTE:** All Affirmative (4-0).

88

89

90

91

92

93 **7. APPROVE SITE LEASE WITH OPTION WITH SALEM CITY & T-MOBILE**

94
95 Attorney Baker reported that the city has been working with T-Mobile to have a cell
96 phone tower installed at the Mt. Loafer View Recreation Complex. Initially T-Mobile
97 approached Nebo School District, about a year and a half ago, to have the tower installed
98 at Foothills Elementary School, but the time limit had expired on the conditional use
99 permit for their site plan. When T-Mobile submitted a new site plan this year for the
100 tower to be installed at the school, there were some concerned residents who lived by the
101 school. With the conditional use permit the city required T-Mobile to have the tower
102 installed 150 feet away from the residential property line. Salem City worked with Nebo
103 School District and T-Mobile to have the tower installed at the ball park, which would be
104 located on the west side of the football field. The tower will also be available to have
105 lights installed on it to light the football field. When working with the school on the
106 relocation, it was agreed that the city would split the revenue from the lease, which is
107 \$1200 a month (\$600 to Nebo, and \$600 to Salem City). The agreement with T-Mobile
108 will be a five year lease and have a 3% increase each year. Attorney Baker stated that an
109 agreement with Salem City and the School District will still need to be written and
110 approved.

111

112 **MOTION BY:** Councilperson Sterling Rees to approve the Site Lease with Option with
113 Salem City and T-Mobile.

114 **SECONDED BY:** Councilperson Sid Jorgensen.

115 **VOTE:** All Affirmative (4-0).

116

117

118 **8. ACKNOWLEDGEMENT AND ACCEPTANCE OF BOUNDARY LINE AGREEMENT**
119 **BETWEEN NEBO SCHOOL DISTRICT AND THE LDS CHURCH.**

120

121 Attorney Baker stated that this is an acknowledgement that the city accepts the boundary
122 line agreement between Nebo School District and the LDS Church on the property
123 located by the new Junior High School. The city is acknowledging that the boundary line
124 agreement is not forming an illegal subdivision. The acreage that is being adjusted will
125 give the LDS church an opportunity to build a seminary building located next to the new
126 Junior High School.

127

128 **MOTION BY:** Councilperson Todd Gordon to approve the Acknowledgement and
129 Acceptance of Boundary Line Agreement between Nebo School District and the LDS
130 Church.

131 **SECONDED BY:** Councilperson Terry Ficklin.

132 **VOTE:** All Affirmative (4-0).

133

134

135

136

137

138 **9. APPROVE LEASE AGREEMENT WITH ZIONS BANK FOR A MINI BOOM**
139 **TRUCK**

140

141 Attorney Baker stated that the city is purchasing a mini bucket truck for the power
142 department and Zions Public Finance will be doing the lease for the truck. The interest
143 rate the city got was 3.91%. The lease agreement is subject to our budgeting each year,
144 if there is a time when the funding is not available for the lease payment, the city can get
145 out of the lease. The first payment will begin March 2012, and is a five year lease
146 agreement.

147

148 **MOTION BY:** Councilperson Sterling Rees to approve the Lease Agreement with Zions
149 Bank for a Mini Boom Truck.

150 **SECONDED BY:** Councilperson Todd Gordon.

151 **VOTE:** All Affirmative (4-0).

152

153

154 **10. APPROVE MINUTES OF FEBRUARY 16, 2010**

155

156 **MOTION BY:** Councilperson Sid Jorgensen to approve the minutes of February 16,
157 2010.

158 **SECONDED BY:** Councilperson Todd Gordon.

159 **VOTE:** All Affirmative (4-0).

160

161

162 **11. APPROVE BILLS FOR PAYMENT**

163

164 **MOTION BY:** Councilperson Terry Ficklin to approve the bills for payment.

165 **SECONDED BY:** Councilperson Sterling Rees.

166 **VOTE:** All Affirmative (4-0).

167

168

169 **12. PUBLIC SAFETY**

170

171 Chief James reported that we need to make everyone aware of the early morning joggers,
172 and that those joggers need to be aware of the traffic on the streets. As the weather gets
173 warmer more and more people start to run in the early mornings and they are very
174 difficult to see. We all need to be reminded to wear reflective clothing and a beacon
175 light when we are jogging in the early morning or late evening.

176

177 Mayor Cope stated that he received an email from a resident who feeds cattle in the early
178 mornings and he has come close on more than one occasion, to hitting joggers who are
179 wearing dark clothing and are very difficult to see.

180

181

182

183
184
185
186
187
188
189
190
191
192
193
194
195
196
197
198
199
200
201
202
203
204
205
206
207
208
209
210
211
212
213
214
215
216
217
218
219
220
221
222
223
224
225
226
227
228

COUNCIL REPORTS

13. MAYOR JONATHAN F. COPE

Mayor Cope showed a safety award that the Power Department received from the ISPA. We have a great power department and they should be commended for their work and for being safe.

Mayor Cope also stated that many times our residents are very critical about what our employees are doing. The Mayor stated he has worked with Bruce Ward, our Public Works Director, and Bruce has come up with a way for each of the departments to do a report on what they are doing each week. Mayor Cope wanted to thank our crews for what they are doing to make Salem a better place.

He reported that a sewer line got plugged causing the sewer to back up and flood the basement of a couple of homes. The city crew was able to respond very quickly and unplug the sewer line. He thanked all of the departments for what they are doing.

Mayor Cope encouraged the council to meet with each of their departments and begin working on the budgets with them.

14. COUNCILPERSON LYNN DURRANT

Mayor Cope excused Councilperson Durrant she is in Washington DC with UMPA to discuss public power.

15. COUNCILPERSON TERRY A. FICKLIN

16. COUNCILPERSON STERLING REES

Councilperson Rees reported that we are getting ready for another water year for our Pressurized Irrigation. We should have water in the P.I. lines anywhere between April 15th and May 15th.

17. COUNCILPERSON SID JORGENSEN

Councilperson Jorgensen reported he has been working with the roads department. Our roads are in need of repair. The recreation department is getting ready for another outdoor season to begin.

229 **18. COUNCILPERSON TODD R. GORDON**

230

231 Councilperson Gordon stated he has received requests from a resident to see if the city
232 can do anything about the speeding around the pond. He also had another request about
233 the dogs not being allowed in the park, and if there is anything that can be done to allow
234 them back in the park.

235

236 Councilperson Gordon also reported that this winter some of the trees at the cemetery
237 were damaged and needed to be removed. He is working with Steve Cox to replace the
238 trees that were taken down with new ones.

239 He also attended the solid waste meeting and it was very informative.

240

241

242 **19. DAVE JOHNSON, BUILDING DEPARTMENT/PUBLIC WORKS**

243

244 **20. BRUCE WARD, CITY ENGINEER/ PUBLIC WORKS DIRECTOR**

245

246 Bruce reported about the Smart Yard program. He stated that there are about 100 spots
247 left for the trial program, where all of the installation is done at no costs. We are the
248 only city in the state that is doing this program. He stated that he has been invited to
249 speak at a couple of different meetings about the Smart Yard program.

250

251 Mayor Cope would like to see every home in Salem to have the Smart Yard program.

252

253 A question from the public was asked how they sign up for the Smart Yard. It was stated
254 that they can contact the city office.

255

256

257 **21. ATTORNEY S. JUNIOR BAKER.**

258

259

260 Mayor Cope asked if there were any comments from the residents.

261

262 A question about the roads, and especially Chrisman Drive. Mayor Cope stated that if
263 there are problems with the roads they need to report them to the city office. He also
264 stated that we are concerned about the roads in the city, and it is difficult to repair many
265 of the problems with the budget the city has for roads. He feels we really need to look at
266 the roads budget and try to come up with a solution.

267

268 A question about the joggers running in the morning and what is being done about that.
269 Chief James stated that information will be put into the newsletter, and also if people will
270 get the information out by word of mouth, to and let everyone know about the concern.

271

272 A question about the T-Mobile cell phone tower, and if there is anything that the
273 residents can do. Mayor Cope stated not right now.

274

275 A question was asked about when the new seminary building will be built for the Junior
276 High. It was stated that it will be finished by August 2012, the same time the Junior
277 High is finished.

278

279 A question about if the city has a list of Eagle Scout projects. It was stated that the
280 recreation office has a list.

281

282 Mayor Cope reported this year we received a lot of snow and many sidewalks were not
283 being cleared of snow. This is a great service project for many people, to be able to
284 shovel the snow off of their neighbor's sidewalks.

285

286 **ADJOURN CITY COUNCIL MEETING**

287

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

289 **SECONDED BY:** Councilperson Sid Jorgensen.

290 **VOTE:** All Affirmative (4-0).

291

292 **MEETING ADJOURNED AT:** 7:50 p.m.

293

294

295

296

297

298

Jeffrey Nielson, City Recorder