

Minutes of the Salem City Council Meeting held on May 5, 2010 in the Salem City Council Chambers.

Work session: 6:30 p.m. The Miss Salem Contestants came and introduced themselves to the council.

MEETING CONVENED AT: 7:00 p.m.

CONDUCTING: Mayor Stanley W. Green

COUNCIL PRESENT:

Mayor Stanley W. Green
Councilperson Lynn Durrant
Councilperson Terry A. Ficklin
Councilperson Sterling Rees
Councilperson Sid Jorgensen

STAFF PRESENT:

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

Excused:

Councilperson Todd R. Gordon

Junior Baker, City Attorney

OTHERS PRESENT

Hadyn Richardson
Dustin Memmott
Melinda Howlett
Devyon Wilson
Allison Huff
Kempton Davis
Janice Williams
Duane Hill

Alison Chuntz
Jenny Stone
Taylor Standifird
Jared Jensen
Marissa Christensen
Trenner Rasmussen
Kylie Williams
Jen Watson

Tyler Christensen
Hailey Hall
Reed Younger
Micah Richins
Megan Clark
Rylee Locke
Amanda Hill

1. VOLUNTEER MOTIVATIONAL/INSPIRATIONAL MESSAGE

Mayor Green asked if anyone would like to give a motivational or inspirational message. Bruce Ward stated he would like to offer a motivational message in the form of a prayer.

2. INVITATION TO SAY PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Mayor Green 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.

3. YOUTH COUNCIL REPORT

The youth council was at Salem Elementary helping them out with their spring carnival, and will report next month at council meeting.

4. OPEN DISCUSSION

Mayor Green opened the meeting up for open discussion.

A question was asked if a decision has been made about the extension of Elk Ridge Drive. Mayor Green stated that the county is still in the process of making the decision between the two options of either going on the existing 460 West, or going west and making Elk Ridge Drive straighter.

The question was asked where the new junior high school would be located. It was stated that it would be west of Crisps Grocery Store (south of 750 North, and east of Main Street).

5. C.W. MANAGEMENT – Addendum to Amended Development Agreement for Salem Park

Bruce Ward explained that we have had an agreement with C.W. Management. This is amending the agreement regarding the amount that the city will reimburse C.W. Management for the culinary water and waste water infrastructure that they installed off site of their development. The amount to be paid back is \$1,065,325.80 for sewer, and \$525,574.94 for culinary water. The percentage that they will be paid back by impact fees is 31% of sewer impact fees, and 14% of water impact fees.

MOTION BY: Councilperson Terry Ficklin to approve the Addendum to Amended Development Agreement for Salem Park.

SECONDED BY: Councilperson Lynn Durrant.

VOTE: All Affirmative (4-0).

6. SALEM CAPITAL (SALEM PARK DEVELOPMENT) CONNECTORS AGREEMENT

Bruce Ward explained that when Salem Capital installed the infrastructure for power they had to do a lot of offsite power. Because there was so much off site power, and the cost of installation was a lot, Salem Capital would like to have a connector's agreement. This

will allow the developer to be reimbursed for a portion of the costs when development occurs in the area and connects to their infrastructure. The agreement is for 20 years.

MOTION BY: Councilperson Lynn Durrant to approve the Salem Capital (Salem Park Development) Connectors Agreement.

SECONDED BY: Councilperson Sterling Rees.

VOTE: All Affirmative (4-0).

7. RESOLUTION FOR LAW ENFORCEMENT WEEK

Chief James explained about the resolution. He stated that so far this year, 58 law enforcement officers have lost their lives in the United States, and two of them were from Utah. He stated that this resolution recognizes our law enforcement officers, and how they put their lives in danger each day. Chief James then read the resolution, explaining that the week of May 9 – 15 is Law Enforcement Week.

MOTION BY: Councilperson Lynn Durrant to approve Resolution 50510 for Law Enforcement week.

SECONDED BY: Councilperson Terry Ficklin.

VOTE: All Affirmative (4-0).

Chief James explained that on the city and library web page is a link for the police monthly news letter.

8. APPROVE STATE COURT CONTRACT

Jeffrey Nielson explained that Salem City is a branch of the fourth district court. Because Salem City Office is a branch of the fourth district court (we can take fines for small traffic violations and other small violations) the state pays us a portion for the use of our building. This is a yearly contract that we need to have approved and signed. The amount this year they have budgeted to pay us is \$3,558.

MOTION BY: Councilperson Sterling Rees

SECONDED BY: Councilperson Sid Jorgensen.

VOTE: All Affirmative (4-0).

9. MISS SALEM/MISS UTAH

Alison Chuntz, the Miss Salem Director, handed the council some information about the Miss Salem Pageant and some issues being involved with the Miss Utah/Miss America Pageant. She stated that she has been working with the people who are over the Miss Utah Pageant, and they have been great in helping her getting started as the new director. She stated that the pageant is a scholarship pageant, and that should be the main focus.

Alison stated that the city budget for Miss Salem is \$3,500. Knowing the budget and seeing how much it costs to put on the pageant and other expenses associated with Miss Salem, we are looking at many ways to cut costs, so the girls have money for a scholarship. When we received the invoice from the Miss Utah Organization, the amount was over \$1,000, and then the cost associated with the Miss Utah Pageant, the cost would take up over half of the budget for Miss Salem. This year there are five girls competing, we will have one queen and four attendants. Alison stated that they are not sure what they will do for scholarship amounts this year, but would want to make sure they have money for the scholarship, since it is a scholarship pageant

Alison feels that with the budget amounts, and the cost to be associated with the Miss Utah/Miss America pageant, she feels that if we withdrawal from the association, that it could be extra money that could go towards the scholarship amounts. She stated that Jeffrey Nielson told her that withdrawing from the Miss Utah organization has been discussed in the past with the council. By withdrawing from the organization, it means that the Miss Salem Queen would not be allowed to move onto the Miss Utah pageant, but she could compete in other programs that belong to the organization and could move on to the Miss Utah pageant that way.

Councilperson Durrant stated that she would recommend also withdrawing from the Miss Utah organization.

Mayor Green feels the same as Councilperson Durrant.

Alison talked about some of the rules to belong to the Miss Utah/Miss America organization. There is a lot of work that goes into belonging to the organization.

MOTION BY: Councilperson Lynn Durrant to withdrawal from the Miss Utah/Miss America organization.

SECONDED BY: Councilperson Terry Ficklin.

VOTE: All Affirmative (4-0).

Mayor Green thanked Alison for her hard work on the Miss Salem program.

10. COMMUNITY CENTER RENTAL POLICY

Jeffrey Nielson explained that it has been discussed to allow city full time employees, Public Safety (Fire Dept/Ambulance) and council members (including the Mayor) to allow the use of the community center for half the rental costs. The reduced rate would only be allowed once a year and the person may not rent for half price from November 15 – December 31.

MOTION BY: Councilperson Sterling Rees to approve the use of the Civic Center use as explained.

SECONDED BY: Councilperson Lynn Durrant.

VOTE: All Affirmative (4-0).

11. APPROVE MINUTES OF APRIL 21, 2010

Councilperson Rees stated that on line 82 take out the sentence “He stated.... Install structure”, and on line 119 it states “word in” should be “wording”.

MOTION BY: Councilperson Sterling Rees to approve the minutes of April 21 with said changes.

SECONDED BY: Councilperson Sid Jorgensen.

VOTE: All Affirmative (4-0).

12. APPROVE BILLS FOR PAYMENT

MOTION BY: Councilperson Lynn Durrant to approve the bills for payment.

SECONDED BY: Councilperson Sid Jorgensen.

VOTE: All Affirmative (4-0).

13. PUBLIC SAFETY

Chief James stated on Thursday morning, about 10:30 a.m. the Special Olympic torch run will be coming through the city.

On Tuesday will be the annual handicap fishing day.

On Saturday, June 5th will be the Salem Triathlon.

COUNCIL REPORTS

14. MAYOR STANLEY W. GREEN

15. COUNCILPERSON LYNN DURRANT

Councilperson Durrant stated that on Saturday May 22, will be the Miss Salem Pageant.

16. COUNCILPERSON TERRY A. FICKLIN

Councilperson Ficklin stated that he would like to meet with Councilperson Durrant to discuss utility rates for power and solid waste. He stated that both utilities are being affected by rate increases by UMPA and SUVSWD, that the cost will affect those utility rates for the budget.

He also wanted to address some of the costs for the Miss Salem pageant, and how his business does not charge for doing the lights and sounds for the pageant. Last year he

had to charge because of the extra affects and props that were requested for the pageant. He was charged for them, and so he had to charge because they were expensive.

17. COUNCILPERSON STERLING REES

18. COUNCILPERSON SID JORGENSEN

Councilperson Jorgensen asked if the city has had any complaints from people parking on 200 East during baseball games. It was stated that the police have been enforcing the illegal parking.

19. COUNCILPERSON TODD R. GORDON

20. DAVE JOHNSON, BUILDING DEPARTMENT/PUBLIC WORKS

Dave Johnson stated that building permits are increasing, and how the last month we have had five turned in.

21. BRUCE WARD, CITY ENGINEER/ PUBLIC WORKS DIRECTOR

Bruce Ward stated that the P.I. system is online and ready to be used. We have not had a lot of problems when we filled the lines.

He asked if the council if it would be okay if some of the employees would help out with Handicap Fishing Day. In the past we have been able to help out. The council felt that it would be okay for them to help out again.

Matt Marizale came to the council and reported that tonight we had an accident in the recreation department. An individual was injured when the soccer goal post had blown over and hit the individual on the head. They were taken to the hospital to be checked out and everything seemed to be okay. They were released from the hospital.

22. ATTORNEY S. JUNIOR BAKER.

CLOSED SESSION

MOTION BY: Councilperson Lynn Durrant to close city council meeting and enter into a closed session for discussion of personal items.

SECONDED BY: Councilperson Sterling Rees.

VOTE: All Affirmative (4-0).

Council returned to public meeting.

Bruce Ward asked about doing a letter addressing the city's position on the Elk Ridge Road Extension. He stated that he feels there should be a letter from the council expressing their desire to have the road extended, and that the council supports the county's decision. The council felt that it would be good, and asked Bruce to write the letter.

The discussions about the sign ordinance, for temporary business signs, was recommended by Councilperson Ficklin to have Planning and Zoning review it with some of the business owners and get their opinions on it, then bring it before the council.

The issue of Animal Rights was brought up, and the council felt that the current code is good enough and not to make any changes on it.

The issue about how UMPA and SUVSWD are increasing their cost to the cities, and how that needs to be addressed in the upcoming budget.

Jeffrey Nielson stated that the proposals for an auditor have been turned into the city. We had 10 firms turn in proposals. Jeff stated that they are available for the council to review.

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: 8:45 p.m.

Jeffrey Nielson, City Recorder