

Minutes of the Salem City Council Meeting held on November 5, 2008 in the Salem City Council Chambers.

Work Session: Matt Marziale explained that during last council meeting there was discussion with residents living by Loafer View Recreation Complex, about the utility building and building a fence to go around the building and to also have some dirt bins. Matt stated that some of the staff, along with Councilpersons Hanks and Durrant, met with the residents and felt that they have come up with a solution. He stated that the sewer, water, and electrical are hooked up to the building. The residents did not want a vision barrier fence and that if they wanted one they would install it themselves. This is the fence between the city property and the resident's property. There will be a sidewalk along the property line. The Dietz fence will remain as it is, but the Lee's have stated they did not want a fence, and they would install it themselves. The storage bins for the dirt will be installed. He stated that everyone was happy with the discussion.

Chris McCandless stated that the city was awarded a grant for the trail systems. This is a great program, and feels that the city would benefit from participating in it again. The amount of the grant is \$75,000. Chris will submit the invoices for the trail system to the city, where the city will submit to be reimbursed for the building of the trail system. He is wondering about an agreement with the city.

Chris also would like the city to consider changing the warranty bond from 25% to 15%. Attorney Baker stated that if the council decides to change it, it would require a public hearing.

MEETING CONVENED AT: 7:00 p.m.

CONDUCTING: Mayor J. Lane Henderson

COUNCIL PRESENT:

Mayor J. Lane Henderson
Councilperson Lynn Durrant
Councilperson Brent V. Hanks
Councilperson Terry A. Ficklin
Councilperson Stanley W. Green
Councilperson Todd R. Gordon

STAFF PRESENT:

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

OTHERS PRESENT

J. Reed Cornaby
Mary Ann Ford
Tyler Koyle
Randy Skinner

Mallory Byrnes
Daryle Hatfield
Brett Wilcox

Derek Lemon
Darren Cooper
Tyler Skinner

1. VOLUNTEER MOTIVATIONAL/INSPIRATIONAL MESSAGE

Mayor Henderson asked if anyone would like to give a motivational or inspirational message. A motivational message in the form of a prayer was offered.

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.

3. APPROVAL AND INSTALLATION OF SEWER PUMP STATION FOR 750 NORTH (APPROX 100 EAST)

Bruce Ward explained that 750 North road is on its way, but we are in need of a pump station for the sewer line. This will be a temporary place, until the property around it is developed and a sewer line is installed. Bruce explained the different types of pumps. There are some that are above the ground and some that are submersed. Items to consider: 1. we would need a pump that would be able to handle the grocery store, and maybe another commercial building. 2. we also would like to reuse the pumps at other locations, when they are moved. After reviewing the options, he feels that item #3 (E-One Sewer Systems) would work best for the situation. These pumps have grinders on them that will grind up debris. It is an eight inch line going in, and the outlet is one and half inches in diameter. This makes it easy to install the output line and connect it to the sewer line on north Main Street. This pump could also be used at the rodeo arena when we are finished with it at 750 North.

Mayor Henderson suggests that we use option three and have the pump station for the 750 North improvements.

MOTION BY: Councilperson Ficklin to approve the purchase of option #3 (E-One Sewer Systems) sewer pump, with an estimated cost of \$33,000 to be paid with the 750 North improvements

SECONDED BY: Councilperson Stan Green.

VOTE: All Affirmative (5-0)

4. FENCE AROUND UTILITY BUILDING AT LOAFER VIEW RECREATION COMPLEX

Mayor Henderson stated that this item was discussed last council meeting. It was suggested that some of the staff, and councilmember Hanks and Durrant, meet with the residents and came up with a solution. He stated that in work session the solution was discussed, and that everyone was happy with the discussion.

5. APPROVE MINUTES OF OCTOBER 15, 2008

MOTION BY: Councilperson Lynn Durrant to approve minutes of October 15, 2008 as written.

SECONDED BY: Councilperson Brent Hanks.

VOTE: All Affirmative (5-0)

6. APPROVE BILLS FOR PAYMENT

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

SECONDED BY: Councilperson Brent Hanks.

VOTE: All Affirmative (5-0)

7. PUBLIC SAFETY

Police Chief Brad James handed the council statistics of the last year for the Public Safety. He went over the statistics with the mayor and council.

8. OPEN DISCUSSION

Mary Ann Ford stated that she is concerned about her water bill. This last month it was over \$400 for one month. She stated that they have horses, but they also do not have any landscaping. She feels the rate is too much, and would like something that is a little more fair for those who do not have PI. Bruce Ward suggested that she come to the city office and speak with Jeff Nielson and himself about the rates. It was also suggested that she might have a leak in her water line. After reviewing her history, there is a lot of water going through the water meter.

COUNCIL REPORTS

9. MAYOR J. LANE HENDERSON

Mayor Henderson stated that he met with Chris Sorenson, Nebo School Superintendent, about the property by the high school that is along the highway. It was suggested that the school plant grass and maintain the area.

He also reported that the City Employee Christmas Party will be held Friday, December 5th.

He would like the council to review their budgets; he is putting a freeze on the budget. We will not be able to hire any new employees; any raises will be put on hold. He would really like the council to see where they can cut on their budgets.

10. COUNCILPERSON LYNN DURRANT

Councilperson Durrant stated that the library is doing well; there are a lot of people using the new library.

She also suggested for the Christmas Eve luminaries at the cemetery, to look at doing permanent luminaries.

11. COUNCILPERSON TERRY A. FICKLIN

12. COUNCILPERSON STANLEY W. GREEN

13. COUNCILPERSON BRENT V. HANKS

Councilperson Hanks reported that the lighting of Pond Town Christmas will be held at 6:00 p.m. the day after Thanksgiving. He has made arrangements for the elementary school kids and the high school choir to sing. He also has Santa Claus coming.

The light parade is set for December 20th, and 6:00 p.m. also, and he has scheduled some of the high school clubs to be in the parade.

The city crews have been working on the parking lot area of the new shop. They have dug out a lot of the old muddy dirt and put in new rock so it will not be muddy.

14. COUNCILPERSON TODD R. GORDON

Councilperson Gordon reported that the dispatch center for 911 calls is underway. The center is looking at hiring a director for the center. He thinks that Salem will need to come up with an additional \$10,000 this budget year, and next year feels that the price will be about \$40,000. The city will need to appoint someone to be on the board. Mayor Henderson stated that Councilperson Gordon has already been appointed to be on the board.

15. DAVE JOHNSON, PUBLIC WORKS DIRECTOR

16. BRUCE WARD, CITY ENGINEER

Bruce Ward reported that the P.I. Ponds have been drained.

17. ATTORNEY S. JUNIOR BAKER.

ADJOURN CITY COUNCIL MEETING

MOTION BY: Councilperson Brent Hanks to Adjourn City Council Meeting.

SECONDED BY: Councilperson Terry Ficklin.

VOTE: All Affirmative (5-0)

MEETING ADJOURNED AT: 8:15 p.m.

Jeffrey Nielson, City Recorder