

Minutes of the Salem City Council Meeting held on February 19, 2014 in the Salem City Council Chambers.

Worksession 7:15 p.m.

Chief James reported on the Public Safety for year-end 2013.

Bruce Ward explained the text amendment that is on the agenda tonight and reviewed the DRC and Planning and Zoning recommendations.

MEETING CONVENED AT: 8:00 p.m.

CONDUCTING: Mayor Randy A. Brailsford

COUNCIL PRESENT:

Mayor Randy A. Brailsford
Councilperson Sterling Rees
Councilperson Aaron Cloward
Councilperson Soren Christensen

STAFF PRESENT:

Jeffrey Nielson, Finance/Recorder
Chief Brad James, Police Chief
Junior Baker, City Attorney
Bruce Ward, Public Works/Engineer
Clark Crook, Power

Excused:

Councilperson Craig Warren
Councilperson Janie Christensen

David Johnson, Building Dept.
Matt Marziale, Recreation

OTHERS PRESENT

Justin Henderson, Julie Smith, John Dester, Cole Jones, Trayven Averett, Jeff Averett, Elijah Carley, Wayne Guest, Creg Davis, Kaleb Jackson, Porter Carley, Jaden Shelley, Paul Taylor, Lee Evans, Linda Evans, Monte Davis, Erica Gebert, Kaila Olsen, Andrea Findlay, Madeline Larsen, Brent Moser, Zach Holmes, Riley Guest

1. VOLUNTEER MOTIVATIONAL/INSPIRATIONAL MESSAGE

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

2. INVITATION TO SAY PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Creg Davis 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.

Mayor Brailsford explained why the time for council meeting was changed from 7:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. Councilperson Aaron Cloward and Councilperson Craig Warren notified the mayor they would be out of town and unable to attend tonight's city council meeting over a month ago. We found out yesterday that Councilperson Janie Christensen was not in town and would not be able to attend City Council Meeting. We were able to make arrangements with Councilperson Cloward to be on the phone at 8:00 p.m. He thanked Councilperson Cloward for being available.

3. PUBLIC HEARING

MOTION BY: Councilperson Sterling Rees to open public hearing.

SECONDED BY: Councilperson Soren Christensen.

VOTE: All Affirmative (3-0).

a. Text Amendment to Mixed Use Zone Regarding the Residential Parking Requirements

Mayor Brailsford asked John Dester, who requested the text amendment to explain to the council why he is asking for the text change.

John Dester, Georgetown Development, would like to purchase and develop the property to the north of the town homes and South Valley complex. John showed drawings of what they would like to do, with providing commercial and town homes in the area with the mix use zone. When they went through the city's ordinance everything fit except for the parking element. They are proposing about 30 of the 72 town homes would have carports, rather than garages. The city's current ordinance requires that 50% of the units have two car garages and the rest need to have one car garage plus off street parking made available. John explained the benefits of having carports vs having a one car garage. He liked the recommendation from Planning and Zoning, to allow the text amendment but would require the developer to do project enhancements or additional amenities to the homes.

Councilperson Soren Christensen asked about some of John's other projects and if he had photos. John showed other photos of one of his projects in Provo. John stated that both units have sold very well, ones with garages and ones with carports.

Councilperson Aaron Cloward likes the idea of giving the council the option to allow the carports if the developer can enhance the development or the units in other ways.

Mayor Brailsford asked if there were any other questions from the public.

Julie Smith, who was with John, stated they have found that when the units have one car garages, they end up using them for storage units rather than garages.

Councilperson Soren Christensen asked if the carports would have a storage shed with them. John stated they would not.

Close Public Hearing

MOTION BY: Councilperson Sterling Rees to close the Public Hearing.

SECONDED BY: Councilperson Soren Christensen.

VOTE: All Affirmative (3-0).

Mayor Brailsford asked if there were any other questions from the council.

a. Text Amendment to Mixed Use Zone Regarding the Residential Parking Requirements

MOTION BY: Councilperson Soren Christensen to approve the Text Amendment for the Mixed Use Zone regarding the Residential Parking Requirement per Planning and Zoning recommendation: *Each residential unit shall have a minimum of 2 ½ parking spaces, one of which must be a fully enclosed garage. Limited exceptions to the parking requirements may be approved based on project enhancements or additional amenities.*

SECONDED BY: Councilperson Aaron Cloward.

VOTE: All Affirmative (3-0).

4. APPROVE K-9 OFFICER CONTRACT

Attorney Baker explained the K-9 Agreements for Officer Cobbley and Officer Smith. He stated one area that was over looked in the original K-9 contracts was the responsibility that the city has to the officers as it relates to the Fair Labor Standards Act (FLSA). The K-9 contracts have been amended to abide by the FLSA requirement.

The police department has two K-9 officers, Officer Austin Cobbley and Officer Greg Smith.

MOTION BY: Councilperson Sterling Rees to approve K-9 Agreements with Officer Cobbley and Officer Smith.

SECONDED BY: Councilperson Soren Christensen.

VOTE: All Affirmative (3-0).

5. SURPLUS K-9 DOG - DIZZY

Chief James reported last council he mentioned about how the city needs to surplus Dizzy, one of our current K-9 drug dogs. She has served the city very well over the years. We are still waiting for a good home to place her in, but would like to retire/surplus her now.

MOTION BY: Councilperson Soren Christensen to approve the surplus of Dizzy.

SECONDED BY: Councilperson Aaron Cloward.

VOTE: All Affirmative (3-0).

6. APPROVE RESOLUTION ON THE MUNICIPAL WASTEWATER PLANNING PROGRAM

Bruce Ward explained this resolution is a self-evaluation for the city to review how we are doing with our sewer system. We then turn this report into the state. He stated one area we were low on, that will be changing, is the area with written policies. We have our policies and know what to do, but we do not have them in writing. We will be working on that. Areas we have also improved on from prior years, because we have a camera truck and we recently checked all of our manholes. He also stated that when we move forward with different requirements from the state, our scoring could change. There are no fines from the state, it is just to see how we are doing and to let the state know we are doing the evaluations.

Bruce Ward also mentioned that we are meeting our discharge permits for the state and the collection system is doing well.

MOTION BY: Councilperson Aaron Cloward to approve Resolution 21914A for the Municipal Wastewater Planning Program.

SECONDED BY: Councilperson Sterling Rees.

VOTE: All Affirmative (3-0).

7. A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL APPOINTING AN ALTERNATE BOARD MEMBER TO UTAH VALLEY DISPATCH SPECIAL SERVICE DISTRICT

Mayor Brailsford stated last council we appointed Terry Ficklin as the board member representative for Salem for the Utah Valley Dispatch Special Service District. We need to appoint an alternate for Terry Ficklin, so when Terry is not able to attend the alternate can fill in. This Resolution is appointing Mayor Brailsford as the alternate.

MOTION BY: Councilperson Soren Christensen to approve Resolution 21914B approving Mayor Randy Brailsford as the alternate Board Member to the Utah Valley Dispatch Special Service District.

SECONDED BY: Councilperson Sterling Rees.

VOTE: All Affirmative (3-0).

8. APPROVE MINUTES OF FEBRUARY 5, 2014

MOTION BY: Councilperson Soren Christensen to approve the minutes of February 5, 2014 as written.

SECONDED BY: Councilperson Aaron Cloward.

VOTE: All Affirmative (3-0).

9. APPROVE BILLS FOR PAYMENT

MOTION BY: Councilperson Sterling Rees to approve the bills for payment.

SECONDED BY: Councilperson Soren Christensen.

VOTE: All Affirmative (3-0).

Mayor Brailsford stated the total amount of the bills approved tonight is: \$818,093.57

COUNCIL REPORTS

10. MAYOR RANDY BRAILSFORD

Mayor Brailsford reminded the council to review their budgets. The new soccer field is coming along, a lot of work is being done up by the cemetery. Mayor Brailsford also mentioned on the web page, we will have a lost and found page where residents can post items lost, rather than placing paper signs on our power poles.

11. COUNCILPERSON STERLING REES

Councilperson Rees reported the UMPA board members met with some of the Utah Legislative at the capital. They discussed some of the issues with power in the state. There is discussion of a bill that would affect power utilities, by charging a fee to the utility users for clean air. Will need to keep an eye on this bill and watch to see what happens. He also reported the UMPA Member Board Meeting will be held on March 27, 28, and 29 in St. George.

12. COUNCILPERSON JANIE CHRISTENSEN

Councilperson Janie Christensen was excused.

Mayor Brailsford recognized Miss Salem Madeline Larsen, and thanked her for her work as Miss Salem. Madeline reported the Miss Salem Pageant is scheduled for May 30, 2014, and more information will be in the City Newsletter.

13. COUNCILPERSON AARON CLOWARD

Councilperson Cloward did not have anything to report tonight.

14. COUNCILPERSON SOREN CHRISTENSEN

Councilperson Soren Christensen did not have anything to report tonight.

15. COUNCILPERSON CRAIG WARREN

Councilperson Craig Warren was excused.

Mayor Brailsford turned the time over to the youth council. The Youth Council reported the Valentine Senior Citizens dinner went well, they did not have as many sign up as they hoped for. They are now getting ready for their leadership meeting in March at USU.

Councilperson Rees told the youth council they did a great job with the Senior Dinner, they had great entertainment and the dinner was good. He thanked them for their service.

16. PUBLIC SAFETY – CHIEF BRAD JAMES

Chief James did not have anything else to report.

17. DAVE JOHNSON, BUILDING DEPARTMENT/PUBLIC WORKS

Dave Johnson was excused.

18. BRUCE WARD, CITY ENGINEER/ PUBLIC WORKS DIRECTOR

Bruce Ward reported SUVMWA met last week and discussed the issue with water transfers and how it is a problem when we transfer water with paper only and not getting actual water rights in our area. The board has asked the technical committee to review it.

Bruce also reported on the Utah Lake Commission. He stated the benefits of it and how the city should be a part of it. The commission is made up of the cities around Utah Lake, it works with the state along with helping to resolve issues from the state about the chemicals that are being dumped into the lake from sewer plants. This would help us to show that we are making progress to help resolve some of the issues from the sewer plant. It would be about \$1,000 for us to join the commission.

Mayor Brailsford felt it would be good for us to join it also. The council also felt it would be good.

19. ATTORNEY S. JUNIOR BAKER.

Attorney Baker did not have anything to report tonight.

20. JEFFREY NIELSON, CITY FINANCE DIRECTOR/RECORDER

Jeff Nielson did not have anything to report tonight.

21. MATT MARZIALE, RECREATION DIRECTOR

Matt Marziale was excused tonight.

22. CLARK CROOK, ELECTRICAL DIRECTOR

Clark Crook discussed with the council about the load factors and peaking for the power department. The power system is looking good and the reliability is good. Doing maintenance with replacing poles and lines.

Mayor Brailsford asked if there was anything else from the council or public.

Monte Davis thanked the city council for what they do.

Councilperson Rees thanked Councilperson Cloward for adjusting his schedule so council meeting could still be held tonight. He stated in order for a council meeting to work we need to have a quorum present. We had a public hearing scheduled tonight, we have the public present and we had other city business that needed to be addressed. We have been elected to serve the city and if we are not going to be able to attend council meeting, we cannot wait until the last minute to notify the mayor or staff. We should notify the mayor and staff in plenty of time so special arrangements can be made if necessary.

Councilperson Soren Christensen agreed with Councilperson Rees.

ADJOURN CITY COUNCIL MEETING

MOTION BY: Councilperson Soren Christensen to adjourn city council meeting.

SECONDED BY: Councilperson Sterling Rees.

VOTE: All Affirmative (3-0).

MEETING ADJOURNED AT: 8:50 p.m.

Jeffrey Nielson, City Recorder