

Minutes of the Salem City Council Meeting held on January 6, 2016 in the Salem City Council Chambers.

Worksession 6:45 p.m.

During Work Session, City council reviewed their bills for payment.

MEETING CONVENED AT: 7:00 p.m.

CONDUCTING: Mayor Randy A. Brailsford

COUNCIL PRESENT:

Mayor Randy A. Brailsford
Councilperson Janie Christensen
Councilperson Aaron Cloward
Councilperson Soren Christensen
Councilperson Sterling Rees
Councilperson Craig Warren
Councilperson Cristy Simons

STAFF PRESENT:

Jeffrey Nielson, Finance/Recorder
Chief Brad James, Police Chief
Junior Baker, City Attorney
David Johnson, Building Dept.
Matt Marziale, PW/Recreation
Clark Crook, Power

OTHERS PRESENT

Grace Rugg, Courtnee Herbert, Kayla Dietz, David Mathews, Michelle Beal, Jacey Rees, Brylee Ivers, Emily Jones, Tori Cochrane, Mason Fullmer, Samantha Anderson, Francine Anderson, Lucas Adams, Joran Holsman, Jentry Cole, Chad Wright, Lauren Parker, Amanda Ith, Caleb Sly, Michael Mathews, Wyatt Graham, Erman Stone, Bruce Ward.

1. VOLUNTEER MOTIVATIONAL/INSPIRATIONAL MESSAGE

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

2. INVITATION TO SAY PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Councilperson Janie Christensen invited those who wish to participate, to stand and say the pledge of allegiance with her. She then led the pledge of allegiance for those who wanted to participate.

3. APPROVE MINUTES OF DECEMBER 9, 2015

Mayor Brailsford asked for a motion to approve the minutes of December 9, 2015 council meeting.

MOTION BY: Councilperson Aaron Cloward to approve the minutes of December 9, 2015 as written.

SECONDED BY: Councilperson Sterling Rees.

VOTE: All Affirmative (5-0).

4. APPROVE BILLS FOR PAYMENT

Mayor Brailsford asked for approval of the bills to be approved. He stated the amount of the bills being approved tonight is \$464,486.

MOTION BY: Councilperson Janie Christensen to approve the bills for payment.

SECONDED BY: Councilperson Sterling Rees.

VOTE: All Affirmative (5-0).

5. MAYOR PRESENTATION

Mayor Brailsford presented to Councilperson Janie Christensen a plaque and gift for her service on City Council. He then turned the time over to Councilperson Janie Christensen who thanked everyone for the opportunity to serve the city. It has been a very humbling experience and feels honored to serve as a council member. She also thanked her family and the residents for their support.

6. SWEARING IN CEREMONY

City Recorder Jeff Nielson then swore in Christy Simons, Aaron Cloward and Craig Warren as city council member.

Mayor Brailsford asked for a motion to take a 30 minute recess for refreshments.

MOTION BY: Councilperson Craig Warren to take a 30 minute recess for open house.

SECONDED BY: Councilperson Soren Christensen.

VOTE: All Affirmative (5-0).

Council meeting resumed at 7:45 p.m.

7. APPROVE ACCORD & SATISFACTION AGREEMENT WITH DOUG YATES ON SALEM HEIGHTS SUBDIVISION

Mayor Brailsford stated when Doug Yates developed Salem Heights Subdivision, he was required to upgrade the sewer line on 400 North from approximately 175 East to Main Street. When the upgrade was completed, Doug Yates had an agreement to be reimbursed for the upgrade by Sewer Impact Fee's. We have been paying the agreement off using a small percentage of impact fees. Doug came to the city stating he is closing his Salem Heights Business and offered the city to pay the remaining amount off with a discount. The amount owing is \$81,870.47 and the amount Doug offered to have it paid off was \$49,122.28 a 40% discount. The agreement had to be done before the end of the year. The

approval tonight is to ratify the mayor's signature of the agreement. A poll was done with the council before the transaction was completed.

MOTION BY: Councilperson Aaron Cloward to approve the Accord and Satisfaction agreement with Doug Yates on Salem Heights Subdivision.

SECONDED BY: Councilperson Sterling Rees.

VOTE: All Affirmative (5-0).

8. COUNCIL BOARD/MEETING ASSIGNMENTS

Mayor Brailsford stated he wanted to make some changes with assignments with the council. As he looks at Salem, he wants it a safe place to live, he wants to look out for the senior citizens and the youth in the city. He wants to look for ways for more volunteers and trying to make life better for the residents of Salem. He wants the city to be more transparent. As he is going on his 21 years as a mayor of Salem City, he wants to thank all of those who have served and who currently serving, especially the councilmembers. Mayor Brailsford stated the Mayor and Council make the laws for the city and are over the whole budget, not just certain departments. He would like the council to attend different meetings with regards to organizations the city belongs to. He then went over the assignments.

Mayor Randy A. Brailsford

Public Safety, Finances/Budget, New City Improvements, City Employees, Red Alert Advisor, Salem Days Representative, (DRC) Development Review Committee Member, Chair Mayor & Council Advisory Board, Emergency Preparedness Committee Member

Councilperson Sterling M. Rees

Mayor Pro Tem, (UMPA) Utah Municipal Power Association Representative, Co-chair Mayor Council Advisory Board, Memorial Day Program, Alternative Power Meetings

Councilperson Soren K. Christensen

Water and Pressurized Irrigation Meetings and Water Delivery Meetings, (SUVWMA) South Utah Valley Municipal Water Association Representative, Emergency Preparedness Committee Council Representative, New Sewer Plant Meetings
Nebo Water Agency Alternate, Development Review Committee (DRC) Alternate, Alternative Power Meetings Alternate.

Councilperson Aaron D. Cloward

Recreation Meetings, New Sewer Plant Meetings, Salem Days Representative, Council Representative of New Improvements

Councilperson Cristy Simons

Library Board Representative, New Events Planner, Chamber of Commerce Representative, Lighting Ceremony Program for Pond Town Christmas, Miss Salem Council Representative, Salem Youth Council Representative, Salem Recreation Meeting Alternate, Solid and Green Waste Board of Trustee Alternate.

Councilperson Craig Warren
Solid Waste Board of Trustee, Meetings Storm Drain, Master Road Plan Meeting, Sewer Collection System Meetings, New Event Alternate.

MOTION BY: Councilperson Aaron Cloward to approve the Council Assignments.

SECONDED BY: Councilperson Craig Warren.

VOTE: All Affirmative (5-0).

Mayor Brailsford stated he wants to make sure the council reviews all of the budget. We are getting together a one page summary of the budget, along with a detail for all the council to review each month. Also the bills for approval at council will be reviewed by all of the council, not just the departments that the council used to oversee. The print out of the bills will be emailed out the Friday before so you can review them and if you have questions talk to Jeff Nielson or Heather Brindley.

Mayor Brailsford stated he has talked to the directors and has asked that they report on each of the departments they oversee and what is going on. If there is a problem with the employee or if the employee has a problem, they will go to their director. If it needs to be addressed more, then he would get involved as the mayor and then involve the council if needed. The council will no longer be over one department but will oversee all of the department's budget.

9. ALTERNATES FOR BOARD/MEETING ASSIGNMENTS

10. CHIEF BRAD JAMES, PUBLIC SAFETY DIRECTOR

Chief James reported he is getting the 2015 year-end report ready to present to the council. He also stated the police department is applying for a grant.

Mayor Brailsford asked Chief James about thefts over the holidays. Chief James reported it was pretty quiet before Christmas, but towards the New Year it became busy with thefts.

11. DAVE JOHNSON, BUILDING OFFICIAL DIRECTOR

Mayor Brailsford reported that Dave Johnson is also the chairperson over DRC (Development Review Committee) and will be reporting on those meetings to the council as needed.

Dave Johnson presented to the council how many new home building permits we have done each year for the past 20 years. He stated the numbers do not show commercial or additions to homes building permits, just new homes. Councilperson Soren Christensen asked Dave about his thoughts for 2016. Dave stated with the permits that have been turned in and what he has going on, this winter will be the busiest winter with building than we have had in the past.

12. ATTORNEY JUNIOR BAKER

Attorney Junior Baker did not have anything to report tonight.

13. JEFFREY NIELSON, CITY FINANCE DIRECTOR/CITY RECORDER

Jeff Nielson stated that anytime the council has a question on the budget to please come and talk to him.

14. MATT MARZIALE, RECREATION/PUBLIC WORKS DIRECTOR

Matt Marziale reported the water department has the new tablet chlorination system installed and they very pleased with how it is working. Would like to switch the gas chlorination systems over to the tablets as our budget will allow. In the sewer system, the plant is operating well, we have not had any disturbances in it. We are looking at options for upgrading the sewer plant for the future. Eagle Scout projects, he will be getting a list together for new projects. The Parks department is working on picking up Christmas Trees and getting a burn permit to burn them. The Fire department will also use that time as a training. As a city we need to look at options for the green waste, as it is a concern since the Solid Waste District is no longer doing green waste. In Recreation the basketball programs are starting up. We are also looking at getting the plan ready for a new recreation office. In public works, the trench boxes that were purchased this last year are working out really well. They had an opportunity to use them last night at a water line break. The Roads department is working on repairing pot holes, also other departments are helping assist the roads department.

15. CLARK CROOK, ELECTRICAL DIRECTOR

Clark Crook reported UMPA has arranged to have a rate study to be completed. Salem City has opted to participate in the study. He also just completed another subdivision walk through for electrical. The power department has hired a company to come and do testing on our wooden power poles and see how they are aging. Mayor Brailsford asked about the life expectancy on power poles. Clark stated the poles we are using, they last about 60 to 70 years.

16. WADE REYNOLDS, STORM DRAIN/SAFETY COORDINATOR

Wade was excused tonight.

COUNCIL REPORTS

17. MAYOR RANDY BRAILSFORD

Mayor Brailsford turned the time over to Clark Caras from the Chamber of Commerce. Clark thanked Councilperson Aaron Cloward for serving on the board for the chamber as Salem City representative. He looks forward to working with Cristy Simons as the new

representative. He then presented her with a bouquet of flowers to welcome her to the city council.

18. COUNCILPERSON STERLING REES

Councilperson Sterling Rees did not have anything to report tonight.

19. COUNCILPERSON CRISTY SIMONS

Councilperson Cristy Simons stated she is excited and feels honored to be able to serve our community as a councilmember.

20. COUNCILPERSON SOREN CHRISTENSEN

Councilperson Soren Christensen did not have anything to report tonight.

21. COUNCILPERSON AARON CLOWARD

Councilperson Aaron Cloward did not have anything to report tonight.

22. COUNCILPERSON CRAIG WARREN

Councilperson Craig warren did not have anything to report tonight.

Mayor Brailsford asked if there were any comments from the public.

There were no comments.

ADJOURN CITY COUNCIL MEETING

MOTION BY: Councilperson Sterling Rees to adjourn City council meeting.

SECONDED BY: Councilperson Craig Warren.

VOTE: All Affirmative (5-0).

MEETING ADJOURNED AT: 8:25 p.m.

Jeffrey Nielson, City Recorder