

Minutes of the Salem City Council Meeting held on June 19, 2013 in the Salem City Council Chambers.

Worksession 6:15 p.m.

Jeff Nielson went over the amended 2012/2013 budget.

MEETING CONVENED AT: 7:00 p.m.

CONDUCTING: Mayor Randy A. Brailsford

COUNCIL PRESENT:

Mayor Randy A. Brailsford
Councilperson Janie Christensen
Councilperson Craig Warren
Councilperson Sid Jorgensen

STAFF PRESENT:

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

Excused:

Councilperson Sterling Rees
Councilperson Aaron Cloward

OTHERS PRESENT

Calvin Youd, Cherisse Linford, Karen Taylor, Meghan Taylor, Borbert Taylor, Brent Hancock, Amber Hancock, Eli Wilcox, Zaq Wilcox

1. VOLUNTEER MOTIVATIONAL/INSPIRATIONAL MESSAGE

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

2. INVITATION TO SAY PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Mr. Johnson, from the VFW, 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 turned the time over to the members of the local VFW (Veterans of Foreign Wars). They stated with over 54 states and providences competing in a law enforcement recognition each year, this year Chief James was nominated and was awarded the VFW National Law Enforcement Award. They then went over the criteria for the award, and stated that Chief James has done a great job for Salem City Police Department and the residents of Salem and is very deserving of the award.

3. PUBLIC HEARING

Mayor Brailsford asked for a motion to open the public hearing and to continue item B from June 5 council meeting.

Open

MOTION BY: Councilperson Janie Christensen to open the public hearing.

SECONDED BY: Councilperson Craig Warren.

VOTE: All Affirmative (3-0).

A. MARK & CHERRISE LINFORD – Request to Vacate Lot 4, Plat A and Lot 32, Plat B of Harvest Ridge P.U.D. and Create Plat I consisting of 1 lot.

Bruce Ward explained that the Linford's have purchased two lots in the Harvest Ridge Subdivision, one lot was purchased in Phase One and the other lot was purchased in Phase Two. The Linford's want to combine the two lots for taxing purposes. Because they are changing the subdivision plat, they need to have a public hearing on the item. One of the issues with DRC was that the combined lots maybe big enough for animal rights, but one of the conditions is that the lot would not be allowed to have animal rights. Attorney Baker stated that because they will need to do a new plat map, we can require the animal right restrictions be put on the plat map.

The Linford's stated that they are not interested in the animal rights and have no problem with the condition.

Mayor Brailsford asked if there were any questions from the public. There were no questions.

B. AMENDING BUDGET THE BUDGET FOR FISCAL YEAR 2012/2013

Jeff Nielson explained that the current year's budget needs to be amended so the budget can match the actual amounts. The budget was reviewed in work session.

Mayor Brailsford asked if there were any questions from the public.
There were no questions.

Close

MOTION BY: Councilperson Sid Jorgensen to close the public hearing.

SECONDED BY: Councilperson Janie Christensen.

VOTE: All Affirmative (3-0).

Mayor Brailsford excused Councilperson Rees and Cloward.

A. Mark & Cherrise Linford – Request to Vacate Lot 4, Plat A and Lot 32, Plat B of Harvest Ridge P.U.D. and Create Plat I consisting of 1 lot.

MOTION BY: Councilperson Craig Warren to approve Mark and Cherrise Linford – Request to Vacate Lot 4, Plat A and Lot 32, Plat B of Harvest Ridge P.U.D. and Create Plat I consisting of 1 lot, with the condition that no animal rights be placed on the plat map.

SECONDED BY: Councilperson Sid Jorgensen.

VOTE: All Affirmative (3-0).

B. Amending Budget the Budget for Fiscal Year 2012/2013

MOTION BY: Councilperson Sid Jorgensen to approve the amended budget of 2012/2013 year.

SECONDED BY: Councilperson Craig Warren.

VOTE: All Affirmative (3-0).

4. APPROVE CHIP SEAL INTERLOCAL

Attorney Junior Baker stated that we have been doing the chip seal program for about 12 years now. As we got looking at the agreement it had expired and we felt that it would be good to redo it. In the new agreement it states that Spanish Fork City would be in charge of the program, whereas the old agreement named individuals. It is a great program which allows us to work with other cities in the area to get roads chip sealed.

MOTION BY: Councilperson Janie Christensen to approve the Chip Seal Interlocal Agreement.

SECONDED BY: Councilperson Craig Warren.

VOTE: All Affirmative (3-0).

5. APPROVE COURT CONTRACT FOR FY 2013/2014

Attorney Junior Baker discussed how Salem City is part of Fourth District Court. Because we are part of it, the state court will reimburse the city for salary and use of equipment. This is the agreement for the Fiscal Year 2014.

MOTION BY: Councilperson Sid Jorgensen to approve the court contract for FY 2013/2014.

SECONDED BY: Councilperson Janie Christensen.

VOTE: All Affirmative (3-0).

6. APPROVE MINUTES OF JUNE 5, 2013

MOTION BY: Councilperson Craig Warren to approve the minutes of June 5, 2013 as written.

SECONDED BY: Councilperson Janie Christensen.

VOTE: All Affirmative (3-0).

7. APPROVE BILLS FOR PAYMENT

Councilperson Sid Jorgensen had a question about an invoice from Strawberry Water Users for lost generation for water used for Pressurized Irrigation. Bruce Ward stated that the Bureau is working on this also, but for right now we need to pay the lost generation.

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

SECONDED BY: Councilperson Craig Warren.

VOTE: All Affirmative (3-0).

8. PUBLIC COMMENT

Mayor Brailsford asked if there were any comments from the public, there were no comments.

COUNCIL REPORTS

9. MAYOR RANDY BRAILSFORD

Mayor Brailsford stated that next council meeting he would like to have a BBQ for the Skyhawk Baseball and Softball Teams, to honor them for taking state championships. It was discussed to have council meeting starting at 6:30 p.m. to accommodate this.

MOTION BY: Councilperson Craig Warren to change next council meeting on July 3 to begin at 6:30 p.m.

SECONDED BY: Councilperson Janie Christensen.

VOTE: All Affirmative (3-0).

Mayor Brailsford mentioned how Lehi City is having problems with water pressure for their secondary water system and have told people not to use culinary water to water their lawns. Other cities in the north part of the county are having problems also. Mayor stated that we have started the use of the BYU farm water. Just a reminder for people to conserve their water usage, we don't want to run into the same situation.

Kurt Christensen talked about the city's water shares in the Pond and wanting to know if the city would like to trade those shares for shares in the Salem Canal. It was stated that the city would like to look into the possibility.

10. COUNCILPERSON STERLING REES

Is excused tonight.

11. COUNCILPERSON JANIE CHRISTENSEN

Councilperson Christensen reported that the Library is having a Birthday Celebration on Friday, from 6:00 to 7:30 at the library. The Chamber handed out scholarships at their meeting. Kallie Bennet, former Miss Salem, is competing at the Miss Utah Pageant now, wanted to wish her luck.

12. COUNCILPERSON AARON CLOWARD

Is excused tonight.

13. COUNCILPERSON SID JORGENSEN

Councilperson Jorgensen reported the Harvest Ridge project for PI is completed and thinks we are going to be about \$9,000 under budget. Wanted to thank the city crews for their work, and especially Chris Averett for his work on getting a lot of good deals on materials for the project.

He also reminded residents that we need to conserve water usage. Be wise in our watering. Steve Cox and his crews are working a lot at the cemetery expansion.

14. COUNCILPERSON CRAIG WARREN

Councilperson Warren turned the time over to Bruce Ward to talk about the 460 West project. Bruce stated Utah County was able to provide \$20,000 for asphalt and furnish employees and equipment for the project. Last council the council approved to spend up to \$50,000 of City funds for the project. He stated that we finished the project today and

thinks we are going to be about \$9,000 under budget. We still have some shoulder work that needs to be done on it. The county will be sending over an interlocal agreement that will need to be approved by the council, so it will be on next council meeting. He was very appreciative of the county and their help in the project. He feels we will need to do a chip seal or overlay on it so it will be able to last for a few years.

Councilperson Warren reported that the Solid Waste Districts budget looks better than what we first anticipated. As a city, we are looking at different location for the recycling bins. We had some people put items in there that are not recyclable (T.V., garbage, and a couch). Mayor Brailsford stated he has talked with Stokes grocery store about it and they would like to talk it over with us before we move it.

15. PUBLIC SAFETY – CHIEF BRAD JAMES

Chief James reported on the vacant lots within the city where we have weed nuisance problems. He stated we have sent out a bunch of letters informing the property owners of the problem. The owners then have 30 days to get the lot taken care of, if it is not done then we will hire someone to come in and clean the weeds off the property. Once that is done, we will invoice the owners and if they do not pay it, then we will put a lien on the property.

16. DAVE JOHNSON, BUILDING DEPARTMENT/PUBLIC WORKS

Dave Johnson stated the building permits have slowed down a bit the last couple of weeks and he has been able to get caught up again.

17. BRUCE WARD, CITY ENGINEER/ PUBLIC WORKS DIRECTOR

Bruce Ward stated he would like to look into Kurt Christensen idea about transferring pond water. He talked about how much water we have used for PI, and where he projects we will be at the end of the season. He also talked about the BYU well water we are using and the possibility of leasing water from Strawberry Water users. We need to remind residents to be wise in the water usage.

18. ATTORNEY S. JUNIOR BAKER.

Attorney Baker did not have anything to report tonight.

19. JEFFREY NIELSON, CITY FINANCE DIRECTOR

Jeff Nielson did not have anything to report tonight.

20. MATT MARZIALE, RECREATION DIRECTOR

Is excused tonight.

21. CLARK CROOK, ELECTRICAL DIRECTOR

Is excused tonight.

ADJOURN CITY COUNCIL MEETING

MOTION BY: Councilperson Craig Warren to adjourn city council meeting.

SECONDED BY: Councilperson Janie Christensen.

VOTE: All Affirmative (3-0).

MEETING ADJOURNED AT: 7:50 p.m.

Jeffrey Nielson, City Recorder