

Minutes of the Salem City Council Meeting held on May 1, 2013 in the Salem City Council Chambers.

Work session 6:00 p.m.

Bruce Ward explained the P.I. project that is on the agenda tonight under Councilperson Jorgensen. He stated that Harvest Ridge subdivision does not have Pressurized Irrigation, but the dry pipes are all installed. He explained how the city can hook them up to the P.I., using our culinary water. The cost for the project is estimated at \$31,699.17. The money will come from the water fund and then the PI fund will eventually pay back the water fund, hopefully with the use of impact fees.

Attorney Baker presented the Employee Personal Policy, he stated that the changes are in red. The first draft was handed out in November during the council retreat, since then it has been modified and the current version was sent out to the council in March, then resent again on Monday. Attorney Baker stated that most of the changes are cleaning up the policy to meet state code and state retirement. There was some discussion over the policy during this time.

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 Sid Jorgensen
Councilperson Sterling Rees

STAFF PRESENT:

Jeffrey Nielson, Finance/Recorder
Bruce Ward, Public Works/Engineer
Junior Baker, City Attorney
David Johnson, Building Dept.
Matt Marziale, Recreation Director
Sergeant Scott Dibble, Police Dept.

Excused:

Councilperson Craig Warren

Chief Brad James, Police Chief

OTHERS PRESENT

Lew Christensen, Robert Palreyman, Sierra Bonny, McKinley Parr, Madeline Larsen, Taiza Savage, Brooke Bazil, Raylene Long, Tonjelle Halladay, Ashleigh Neilsen, Makenzie Briggs, Aspen Shelly, Kaleb Richardson, Caleb Boden, Michelle Jones, Jason Brink, Marte McKee, Marcie McKee, Jileen Meservy, Lori Warren, McKenna Nelson, Spencer Jack, Derek Warren, Preston Weight, Haylie Henderson, Trevor McEwen, Hunter Price, Ian Andrus, Courtney Wilson, Dallin Bigler

1. VOLUNTEER MOTIVATIONAL/INSPIRATIONAL MESSAGE

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

2. INVITATION TO SAY PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Councilperson Aaron Cloward 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 Raylene Long. Raylene introduced the new Miss Salem and her attendants: Madeline Larsen, Miss Salem; Sierra Bonney 1st Attendant; McKinley Parr 2nd Attendant, and Taiza Savage 3rd Attendant.

Raylene stated the Miss Salem Pageant went very well, all of the girls did a great job. Mayor Brailsford thanked Raylene for all of her hard work as the Miss Salem Pageant Director.

Councilperson Christensen stated there were 12 wonderful ladies who participated in the pageant, and anyone of them could have won. She stated she spoke with the judges and they encouraged each of the girls to run again. The directors from the Miss Utah Pageant stated that Raylene does a great job with the pageant.

3. YOUTH COUNCIL REPORT

Mayor Brailsford turned the time over to the Youth Council. McKenna Nelson, Youth Council Mayor, presented to the Mayor and City Council their award of excellence they received during their conference. Mayor Brailsford thanked the Youth Council for all of their service. Councilperson Jorgensen said it was an honor to go and be a part of their conference and thanked them for all they do.

Mayor Brailsford and Mayor McKenna Nelson presented a plaque to Jileen Meservy and Lori Warren for their service with the Youth Council and for being their advisor. Both thanked the Mayor and council for their support. Mayor Brailsford then introduced the new advisors for the Youth Council Marte and Marcie McKee

Preston, a member of the Youth Council, announced that on May 11, from 9a.m. to 12 noon they will be doing a car wash for Mothers Day, at Stokes Grocery Store parking lot.

Mayor Brailsford recognized Terry Ficklin, the General Manager for the South Utah Valley Solid Waste District. Mayor Brailsford thanked Terry for his work at the district.

Mayor Brailsford went to item number five before going to item number four.

4. RESOLUTION ADOPTING PERSONNEL POLICY CHANGES

Mayor Brailsford asked if there were any questions. Councilperson Christensen stated that she is concerned, because we received the policy on Monday and has not had time to compare it. She stated that on our web page it states items need to be into the city on the Thursday prior to council meeting in order for that item to be on the agenda. There have been changes made on it since the one the council received in November and she feels the council needs time to review it.

Mayor Brailsford asked if there were any more questions on policy, and if the council would like, they could table the personal policy.

MOTION BY: Councilperson Janie Christensen to table the approval of the personnel policy and give the council time to review it.

There was no second to the motion.

Councilperson Aaron Cloward stated the council has had the personal policy for last six months and feels it is ready to be approved.

MOTION BY: Councilperson Aaron Cloward to approve Resolution 50113 adopting the Personnel Policy changes.

SECONDED BY: Councilperson Sid Jorgensen.

VOTE: Councilperson Janie Christensen; Nay, Councilperson Sterling Rees; Aye, Councilperson Aaron Cloward; Aye, and Councilperson Sidney Jorgensen; Aye. (3 Aye, 1 Nay).

Mayor Brailsford stated that he contacted Councilperson Warren today, and Councilperson Warren was also in favor of approving the policy as it was written.

5. APPROVE ORDINANCE AMENDING THE CITY CODE TO ALLOW NON-RESIDENTS TO DUMP WASTEWATER FROM PERSONAL TRAILERS AT THE SEWER PLANT WITH A PERMIT AND TO FURTHER CONFORM TO NEW STATE RULES ON BURNING.

Attorney Baker went over the ordinance. He stated a couple of council meetings ago we passed an ordinance prohibiting non residents to use our trailer sewer dump. Since then we realized that we used to allow non residents to empty their trailer septic tanks at the sewer trailer dump if they paid a fee, we also have signs down at the sewer plant stating

that. We felt that it would be okay to allow non residents to dump at the sewer trailer dump as long as non residents pay a fee. The second portion of the ordinance changes our code dealing with open burn to match what the new state law states Councilperson Rees asked about item four in the ordinance and how it does not allow residents to burn if they are in a residential zone. He is concerned because some of the lots are larger and they have debris they need to burn. Attorney Baker stated that ditch banks are allowed to burn in those areas, they cannot burn debris. He stated that this is what the Utah State law states. He also stated that the permits are completed online now.

MOTION BY: Councilperson Aaron Cloward to approve Ordinance 50113 Ordinance Amending the City Code to Allow Non-Residents to Dump Wastewater from Personal Trailers at the Sewer Plant with A Permit and to Further Conform to New State Rules on Burning

SECONDED BY: Councilperson Sterling Rees.

VOTE: All Affirmative (4-0).

Mayor Brailsford went back to item number four.

6. APPROVE MINUTES OF APRIL 17, 2013

Mayor Brailsford asked if there were any questions on the minutes. He then asked for a motion to approve the minutes as written.

MOTION BY: Councilperson Sterling Rees to approve the minutes of April 17, 2013 as written.

SECONDED BY: Councilperson Janie Christensen.

VOTE: All Affirmative (4-0).

7. APPROVE BILLS FOR PAYMENT

Mayor Brailsford asked if there were any questions on the bills. He then asked for a motion to approve the bills for payment.

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

SECONDED BY: Councilperson Sid Jorgensen.

VOTE: All Affirmative (4-0).

Mayor Brailsford stated the amount of bills being approved tonight is \$236,489.89.

8. PUBLIC COMMENT

Mayor Brailsford stated he put in the newsletter if anyone was interested in helping to redo the float to let the city. Mayor Brailsford turned the time over to Brook Bazil, co-director for Miss Salem, she stated the Miss Salem committee would like to redo the

float. It has been six years since it was last done. We have a motivate committee who would like to get it going. Would like to use the \$2000 from this year's budget and then wondering if we could use the \$2000 from next year's budget to get the float redone. It was talked about using the scholarship money for the additional \$2000 this year, then in next year's budget take the \$2,000 for the float and put it back into the scholarship fund. The council felt that would be okay.

Mayor Brailsford asked if there were any other comments for the public comment. There were no more comments.

COUNCIL REPORTS

9. MAYOR RANDY BRAILSFORD

Mayor Brailsford reported on the meeting he had with the stake presidents, he discussed with them about helping out the city by cleaning up the highway. The Salem Stake will take the north portion of the highway and the Salem West Stake will take the southwest portion of the highway. The presidents also asked about doing a Fourth of July program again. Mayor Brailsford asked Councilperson Janie Christensen if she would be in charge of it.

Mayor Brailsford stated if Jeff Nielson, our city recorder, is not available, we would need to have someone fill in with his position, and felt he needed to appoint a Deputy Recorder. Mayor Brailsford had appointed Heather Brindley as Deputy Recorder. He asked the council if there were any objections. The council all felt that it would be a good idea and there were no objections.

Mayor also talked about a new youth program he would like to get going. The program would not interfere with the Salem Youth Council. He will bring youth from 8th grade to 11th grade. Chief James and Matt Marziale will be helping out. We will get their input on what we can do to help out the youth in the city. He would like the group made up of youth who have been bullied, some of the more popular youth, and some who have a handicap. Would like to get them together and help them feel important, look at ways to stop bullying, look at recreation programs to get more youth involved, talk about the drug problems in the schools and streets and what can be done to prevent it. We would like to look at ways of preventing problems before they become one.

He reported the SESD agreement that was approved last council meeting, has been signed by SESD.

He handed out to the council the letters that were sent to the LDS Church regarding the property by the Salem Stake Center on Canal Road. The church wanted \$50,000 for the property; he offered them \$7,500 for it. We sent letters explaining why we changed the offer. He was also able to get the Stake Presidents to write us a letter in our favor. We are waiting to hear back from the church.

10. COUNCILPERSON STERLING REES

Councilperson Reese asked Matt Marziale about Eagle Scout projects. Matt stated that he has eight projects right now that are available and if a scout is interested they should contact him.

11. COUNCILPERSON JANIE CHRISTENSEN

Councilperson Christensen reported on Tuesday, May 14, will be the handicap fishing day. Mike Pritchett, who is a Salem City employee, and his brother are over the event.

She also reported that Mike Pritchett has not heard back from the state regarding the sewer lagoon tests, so we are still doing the testing that they asked us to do. Also, the library held a book signing event, had a youth library activities at the Community Center, and the library youth committee held a movie night. Karen Taylor from the library stated the movie night with youth went very well, and they would like to do another one.

Councilperson Christensen reported that Tonjelle Halladay was awarded business of the month from the Chamber. The chamber will be presenting it tomorrow afternoon.

12. COUNCILPERSON AARON CLOWARD

Councilperson Cloward reported on the project for the playground equipment for Dream View Park. Holly Meagher is raising the money for the equipment and on May 11 and May 18 at Stokes Grocery store there will be a carnival one day and a steak dinner the next day. All proceeds will be going towards the equipment.

Matt Marziale, recreation director stated they are working on the Hersey Track this week and next week. The equipment building at Loafer Park is coming along slowly. This fall he would like to do a pumpkin growing contest. Matt also reported this year's recreation programs have had an overall increase of 12 percent.

13. COUNCILPERSON SID JORGENSEN

Councilperson Jorgensen thanked the youth council and advisors for all they do. He talked about the report from SUVMWA and how much water each entity used this last year. He stated that Salem really needs to work on conserving water and using our systems better.

He reported that during work session we talked about the PI project that would allow Harvest Ridge subdivision to hook onto the PI. We need to approve the project tonight.

MOTION: Councilperson Jorgensen to approve the PI Project that will hook Harvest Ridge and a couple of other subdivision onto the PI, with an estimated cost of \$31,699.17.

SECOND: Councilperson Sterling Rees.

VOTE: All Affirmative (4-0).

14. COUNCILPERSON CRAIG WARREN

Councilperson Warren was excused.

15. PUBLIC SAFETY – CHIEF BRAD JAMES

Mayor Brailsford excused Police Chief Brad James, and asked if Sergeant Dibble, who was present, if he had anything to report. Sergeant Dibble did not have anything to report.

16. DAVE JOHNSON, BUILDING DEPARTMENT/PUBLIC WORKS

Dave Johnson reported that the city is still growing, the building permits are steadily coming in.

17. BRUCE WARD, CITY ENGINEER/ PUBLIC WORKS DIRECTOR

Bruce Ward reported that the street department is starting crack sealing. He explained how the crack sealing works and the issue with it. James Thomas was able to invent a part the other day to help with the issue, and now crack sealing is more efficient. He stated this is the type of employees we have, they are very talented.

18. ATTORNEY S. JUNIOR BAKER.

Attorney Baker did not have anything to report tonight.

19. JEFF NIELSON, FINANCE DIRECTOR

Jeff Nielson handed out a preliminary budget to the council. Mayor Brailsford discussed having a work session on Saturday June 1st at 7:00 a.m. to about 10:00 a.m. on the budget.

20. MATT MARZIALE, RECREATION DIRECTOR

Matt did not have anything else to report tonight.

21. CLARK CROOK, ELECTRICAL DIRECTOR

Clark Crook had to leave, but was present during work session.

ADJOURN CITY COUNCIL MEETING

MOTION BY: Councilperson Sid Jorgensen to adjourn city council meeting.

SECONDED BY: Councilperson Sterling Rees.

VOTE: All Affirmative (4-0).

MEETING ADJOURNED AT: 8:00 p.m.

Jeffrey Nielson, City Recorder