



# Salem City Newsletter



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Dear Citizens,

First of all I would like to thank everyone who is complying with our outside watering restrictions. For those who haven't, we recommend that you join the rest of us in conserving water. We still have a long, hot summer ahead of us. Citations have been issued and will continue to be issued to those who can't stay in compliance with our water restrictions. See the city's web page for information ([www.salemcity.org](http://www.salemcity.org))

Over the past few years, our power wholesale provider has increased our power costs adjustment rates each year except for the year 2015. Over the past few years the city has been able to absorb most of these increases. However, due to new power environmental mandates passed onto our power generating resources, the cost of these adjustments have gone up considerably. These power rates will continue to increase as long as more mandates are put upon the coal generating plants. In 2012 the power cost adjustment rate increased 7.0%; 2013 increased 3.5%; 2014 increased 5.7% and 2015 decreased 0.9%. Anticipated for 2015/2016 budget, the rate will increase 2.7%. This has been a total increase of 18% since 2011 or an average of 3% per year. The City Council and I have decided we will increase the power rates 4% this year. Now this 4% of the power rate not 4% of your power bill. The city over the last 5 years, including the new budget year, have increased rates by approximately 6%. The city has always tried to offset as much rate increase as we can from our wholesale provider, but there is a point that we cannot keep absorbing. There are needs in the power department for the power infrastructure throughout the city; maintenance of lines, transformers, poles and so forth. The impact fee that is charged with a building permit in the city, pays for the impact costs on the substation and for new infrastructure leading to a new development. The rate increase is a result from the increases the city is being charged for its power. The average power used in the summer month was 935 kWh, this would result in a \$3.26 increase. The average power used in the winter month was 1055 kWh, this would result in a \$3.75 increase. On the city website, there will be a page giving suggestions on how to be more energy efficient. For those of you who do not have access to the internet, you can come to the city office and get a copy.

Our solid waste district, which is your garbage service, has also raised fees this year. As well as the provider who picks up our garbage cans. The new rate increase for waste collection on the first can will be \$ .54 a month and the second can is \$ .45 a month. Again, these increases are the result of the fees being increased to the city.

We will be doing major construction on 100 East from 420 South to 200 South. This road will be closed from June 22<sup>nd</sup> until approximately August 14<sup>th</sup>. We will be widening the road as well as adding a sidewalk, curb, gutter and storm drain on the west side of 100 East. This will make it safer for our children and other residents who use that road. I want to thank the citizens along 100 East who donated property so the city could accomplish this project and also all of the neighbors in that area for putting up with the construction that will be happening over the next 45 days.

I would like to remind you about Salem Days August 1 -8 so plan your calendar accordingly. Check the flyers that are enclosed with this newsletter and checking the city web page.

Again I would like to thank you for your time and all of the many volunteers that we have, especially for those who are helping with Salem Days. It's a lot of work and I personally want to thank Steve & Lana Parker who are our chairpersons this year, they have been doing an outstanding job to make your Salem Days week a great success and make your life better.

I hope you have a safe and enjoyable summer.

Mayor Randy Brailsford

**Please check our website, [www.salemcity.org](http://www.salemcity.org), for firework restrictions**



**Salem Days Baby Contest.** Wednesday August 5th 3:30-6:30 at Salem elementary school. Ages 0-36 months are invited to participate. Any questions contact Annie Mead [abcmead@gmail.com](mailto:abcmead@gmail.com) or Camilla Peterson [bncpeterson@gmail.com](mailto:bncpeterson@gmail.com)

**ATTENTION SENIOR CITIZENS:**

FRAUD CLASS OFFERED BY THE LIBRARY SENIOR ADVISORY BOARD...

**WHERE:** SALEM CITY COUNCIL CHAMBERS

30 WEST 100 SOUTH, SALEM, UT

**WHEN:** TUESDAY JULY 14, 2015

**TIME:** 1.00 P.M.

**CLASS WILL BE TAUGHT BY: CHIEF BRAD S. JAMES**

Elementary School Registration is quickly approaching. Here are the dates and times for the Salem area schools:

Foothills--July 30th from 8:00--4:00.

Mt. Loafer--July 21st & 22nd from 8:00-12:00.

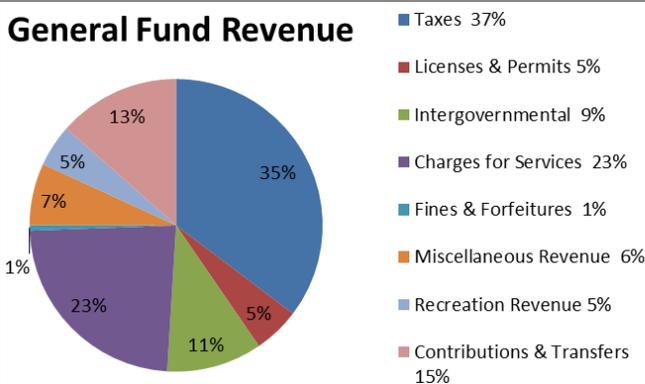
Salem--July 30th from 8:00-4:00.

Please bring a birth certificate, current immunization record and proof of residency documents. For a list of required residency documents go to the following website:

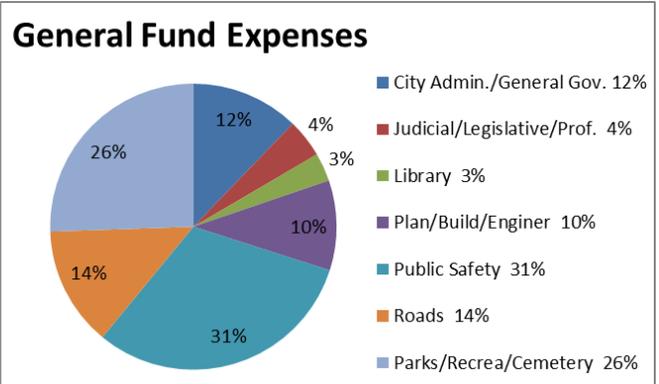
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**Salem City FY 2015/2016 General Fund Budget**

**General Fund Revenue**



**General Fund Expenses**



The General Fund budget for 2015/2016 is \$5,352,301. Each year the enterprise (utility) funds transfers money to the general fund. The following amounts are being transferred to the General Fund; Water Fund—\$36,000; Sewer Fund— \$15,000; Electrical Fund—\$300,000; Solid Waste Fund—\$19,000; PI Fund—\$48,000; and Storm Water Fund - \$5,000. In addition \$6,500 is transferred from each enterprise fund for payment of the public safety vehicle (fire truck and ambulance). The overall Budget (General Fund + Enterprise Funds) for FY 2015/2016 is \$12,260,455. You can view the full budget on the city’s web page at [www.salemcity.org](http://www.salemcity.org), under City Government tab. Also on the back of your utility bill each month is the current utility rates. Note the electrical rate and solid waste (garbage) both had increases in rates this year.

The new SYC group for 2015-2016 has been selected, and we are over 50 strong! It’s a big group and as such we will be able to do big things. We had our first get-together and I can tell it’ll be a great year. There are some quite wonderful youth in our beautiful city. Already we are looking forward to Salem Days and we are excited for our opportunity to serve!

Mayor Kyla Rogers

**Properly Dispose of Travel Trailer Waste**

What do you do when it’s time to dump your travel trailer waste? Remember that sewage dumped on the ground or in a storm drain is a danger to the public and environmental health, and pollutes our waterways. Make sure to end your trip with a visit to a proper dump station. Visit [www.rvdumps.com](http://www.rvdumps.com) for a list of dumps by state and major interstates, or contact your local wastewater treatment plant.

Wade Reynolds, Storm Drain Coordinator/Safety Coordinator



### SALEM LIBRARY

If you haven't been to any of our summer reading programs, you're missing out! As a reminder we have:

Preschool Storytime, Monday's @ 11:00

Club Wonder, Monday's @ 2:00 & Thursdays @ 10:30

Sidekicks, Monday's @ 2:00

Movies & Popcorn, Wednesday's @3:30

SNaP, Tuesday's @ 3:30

Movies & Activities just for teens

Check out our website for more details.

It's library auction time! We are looking for new items to auction off for our annual fundraiser during Salem Days. Our library depends on your support to fund book purchases and other programs. Contact the library at 801-423-2622 before August 1<sup>st</sup> to make a donation.

Our Salem Days Fair in the Square Book Sale fundraiser was so popular last that we are going to hold it again! To help make it even better, bring in your used to books to library during the first week of August, and we'll sell them during Salem Days.

**Ask a librarian how to get started in our 1,000 Books Before Kindergarten program starting August 1<sup>st</sup>! Sharing books and stories is important to your child's brain development.**

### Senior Spotlight

Max and Mava Walters are our Senior Spotlight for July. Mava was born in Salt Lake City on July 15, 1942, but her family moved to Salem when she was 6-months old, so she is an original "Salem" girl. Her parents were Wilford and Virgie Hunt. Max was born in Dillon, Montana on February 10, 1941. They moved to Sugar City, Idaho when he was 10. His parents were Glenn and Lola Walters. They have lived off and on in Salem since 1965.

Mava's brother, LeGrand, was a missionary companion to Max, but they didn't meet through him. Max grew up with a girl in Sugar City whose parents had moved to Salem. She told Max she wanted to take him to visit her parents and his missionary companion, LeGrand and that LeGrand also had a sister she wanted him to meet. When they got to the Hunt home, Mava answered the door. A voice said to Max, "Here is the girl that it will be good for you to marry." He said he didn't even think he said hello to Mava because he was listening to the voice. They got engaged the next week. They met on March 10, 1963 and were married on July 12, 1963. They have three boys and three girls: Brent (Allison) Walters, Spanish Fork; Kerry (Jodi) Walters, Las Vegas; Sherri (John) Veatch, Salem; Karen Walters (deceased); Scott (Valorie) Walters, Salem; and Linda (Scott) Rogers, Salem. They have 22 grandchildren and in October will have their first great grandchild.

They lived in Provo for two years while Max attended BYU. Max said he has always been interested in business since he was a little kid. His dad was a carpenter but he wasn't interested in that profession. He remembers walking the streets in Sugar City and having the desire buy some of the old abandoned homes so he could fix them up. For 13 years Max sold life and health insurance. The last few years he has sold real estate concurrent with the insurance. He started 40 something years ago in real estate, fixing up property to sell. Max has been President of the Utah Association of Mortgage Brokers. When real estate got slow in Utah, they moved to Chandler, and then Mesa, Arizona from 1985 to 1991. They again moved to Gilbert, Arizona from 2002 to 2004, selling real estate. They always returned to Salem.

Mava said after Linda got in school she started in the mortgage industry, which she still does. They have owned and operated Best Mortgage Corporation, Best USA Realty, and Best Books and Music. Yes, Max writes songs and the music for them. His mother was an author and wrote "The Grape Fruit Syndrome", and other books along with articles for the *Ensign* Magazine. Max has produced some music CDs with songs he has written. He has written over 136 songs along with the music. He played the trumpet and used to play in a dance band at Ricks College. He also gave trumpet lessons. He has suffered three heart attacks, a stroke and now MS and is unable to play anymore. Max likes to do puzzles and is now working on an 8,000 piece puzzle which he has about 70% complete. When his health permitted, he liked to hike. He has hiked most of the mountains around here. At one time he was on the Salem Volunteer Fire Department.

Mava said she likes to read and study the scriptures. They are members of the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints and she teaches Relief Society. When she was at Spanish Fork High School she was the captain of the softball team. She said Joyce Henderson and Evelyn Christensen were her Young Woman Softball Coaches. They took Stake two years in a row. While in High School she went to Girl's State. Growing up her family owned the farm where the BYU Dairy was located. She remembers getting up to milk cows at 5:00 in the morning and milking again at 5:00 in the evening. She also helped with the irrigation. There were only about 250 families in Salem then. When there were enough members to divide the Salem First Ward, her father was called as the first Bishop of the Salem Second Ward.

Neither one likes spicy hot food. Max says he likes fruits and vegetables and loves Mava's homemade Chicken Noodle Soup and a good steak from Ruby River. Mava, being raised on a farm, likes vegetables.

When asked what they like about Salem they said looking at the pretty mountains, the peaceful "City of Peace" and the fun of a small town. Salem is a good place to raise a family. Max said "You can take the boy out of the country but you can't take the country out of the boy."

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## Salem City

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### City Office Hours:

Mon—Thur 7:30 a.m.—5:30 p.m.  
Friday 7:30 a.m.—12:00 noon

City Office 801-423-2770

Recreation 801-423-1035

Library 801-423-2622

Police (daytime) 801-423-2312  
(after hours) 801-794-3970

Emergencies 911

## City Council

July 1st 7:00 p.m.  
July 15th 7:00 p.m.

Planning & Zoning  
July 8th 7:00 p.m.

**Youth Tackle Football 5<sup>th</sup>-8<sup>th</sup> Grade** Salem will offer recreation tackle football for grades 5<sup>th</sup>-8<sup>th</sup>. These age groups will participate in grade specific teams that compete in the Nebo Football league. The league is made up of teams from Salem, ALA, Springville, Price and Payson. Each team will play 10 league games which will begin in late August. **All players will be included in the tackle football camp as part of their league registration, which will begin July 28th.** Team selection will take place the first week of August. This is a great league to start your football experience. Registration fee is \$100 - \$5 late fee after July 17<sup>th</sup>. \$5 non-resident fee. \$7 Camp Shirt is optional, if purchased it will get your participating youth into all Salem Hills High School home FOOTBALL games for **free!**

## 9<sup>th</sup> Grade Freshman Football

Young men that desire to play should make contact with Salem Recreation for information about conditioning and weight lifting. The team will participate in the Utah County Cougar Conference. Registration fee is \$145 (practice jersey included). \$5 late fee after July 17<sup>th</sup>. \$5 non-resident fee. This team is a competitive team that is organized and run like a High School sports program. A Coaching staff with position coaches and coordinators will coach the team. The team will practice 5 days a week and play games on Saturdays.

**Flag Football Camp - Offered for 2nd-6th graders, August 10th-14th from 8:30-10:00 @ the Loafer View Complex. Camp fee is \$25.00, t-shirt is guaranteed if registered by August 6th.**

July Wrestling Camp 1st-9th Grade - Instructed by Junior High Coach Phil Sorensen. More details will be posted online at salemcity.org as they become available.

**Salem Adult SOFTBALL Coed and Women's Leagues** - Coed will be held on WEDNESDAY NIGHTS—3 DIVISIONS + POST SEASON TOURNAMENT

\$365.00 per team Plus \$5.00 non-resident fee (\$25 non-resident cap). EARLY REGISTRATION on or before **July 21st**. Women's League will be played on TUESDAY NIGHTS. Prices and registration fee is the same as the coed league. Visit salemcity.org and click on the recreation link for more information.

**Salem Days Kickball Tournament - Tuesday, August 4th. Get your family together and come play. It's easier and more fun than you think! Teams are coed (equal number of men & women), must be in 10th Grade (Fall 2015) and older to play & 8-10 players per team. Registration is \$60.00 per team.**

**Salem Days Coed Softball Tournament - Thursday, August 6th & Friday, August 7th. We offer two division for the tournament, a Family Division (if you're a "just for fun" kind of team) and an Open Division (if you're more competitive and experienced). Registration fee is \$150.00. Only \$100.00 if you are registered for the fall coed season. Registration deadline is Tuesday, August 4th.**

**We are accepting nominations for Family of the Year, Community Service Award & Grand Marshal thru July 20th. Go to salemcity.org for nomination forms and additional information.**