

Minutes of the Salem City Council Meeting held on June 17, 2009 in the Salem City Council Chambers.

Work Session: 6:00 p.m.

Jeffrey Nielson went over the amended budget with the council. This is the 2008/2009 budget.

MEETING CONVENED AT: 7:00 p.m.

CONDUCTING: Mayor J. Lane Henderson

COUNCIL PRESENT:

Mayor J. Lane Henderson
Councilperson Lynn Durrant
Councilperson Brent V. Hanks
Councilperson Terry A. Ficklin
Councilperson Stanley W. Green
Councilperson Todd R. Gordon

STAFF PRESENT:

Jeffrey Nielson, City Recorder
Chief Brad James, Police Chief
David Johnson, Building Dept.
Bruce Ward, Public Works Director

Excused:

Junior Baker, City Attorney

OTHERS PRESENT

Trevor Ricks
Erman Stone
Ben Cowley
Craig Christensen
Lucy Cornaby

Kathryn Ricks
Derk Palfreyman
Amy Connelly
Allan Gull
Rex K. Allen

Jamie Ricks
Liberty Kirk
Ryan Christensen
Reed Cornaby

1. VOLUNTEER MOTIVATIONAL/INSPIRATIONAL MESSAGE

Mayor Henderson asked if anyone would like to give a motivational or inspirational message. Reed Cornaby stated he would like to offer a motivational message in the form of a prayer.

2. INVITATION TO SAY PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Mayor Henderson invited those who would 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 Henderson stated that he would like to go to item seven for Trevor Ricks Eagle Scout Project. Trevor needs to leave, and would like to present his project to the council.

Trevor stated that he would like to do some work at the Dream View Park. Some of the work he would like to do is picnic tables, clean up around the flower beds, and move the old play ground equipment from the Loafer View Recreation Complex to Dream View Park. He stated he would build two new picnic tables.

Erman Stone stated that with the play ground equipment he would need to expand the cement boundary for the play ground equipment.

The council felt that it would be a good project, and approved it.

3. PUBLIC HEARING

Open

MOTION BY: Councilperson Brent Hanks to open the public hearing.

SECONDED BY: Councilperson Lynn Durrant.

VOTE: All Affirmative (4-0).

A. Amend Budget for Fiscal Year 2008-2009

Jeffrey Nielson went over the amended budget for 2008/2009. He stated that there are a lot of revenue funds that are down, mostly in the development and building. Also, cutting expenses and not hiring employees that were anticipated has helped us to stay within our budget.

Mayor Henderson asked if there were any comments on the amended budget for fiscal year 2008/2009 budget.

Councilman Gordon arrived during budget discussion.

Close

MOTION BY: Councilperson Lynn Durrant to close the public hearing.

SECONDED BY: Councilperson Terry Ficklin.

VOTE: All Affirmative (5-0).

A. Amend Budget for Fiscal Year 2008-2009

MOTION BY: Councilperson Terry Ficklin to approve the amended budget for fiscal year 2008/2009.

SECONDED BY: Councilperson Stanley Green.

VOTE: All Affirmative (5-0).

4. ADJOURN TO RDA MEETING

MOTION BY: Councilperson Lynn Durrant to adjourn city council meeting and enter into RDA meeting.

SECONDED BY: Councilperson Terry Ficklin.

VOTE: All Affirmative (5-0).

5. RESUME REGULAR COUNCIL

6. APPROVE BUDGET FOR FISCAL YEAR 2009-2010

Jeffrey Nielson stated that this is the budget for fiscal year 2009/2010; the council had a public hearing for this last council meeting, where he went over the highlights of the budget.

MOTION BY: Councilperson Lynn Durrant to approve the budget for fiscal year 2009/2010.

SECONDED BY: Councilperson Terry Ficklin.

VOTE: All Affirmative (5-0).

7. TREVOR RICKS – DREAM VIEW PARK EAGLE PROJECTS

This item went at the first of council meeting.

8. DERK PALFREYMAN – DISCUSSION ON IMPACT FEES

Derk Palfreyman thanked the council for allowing him to come and talk to the council. He compared on the white board the cost differences between 1980 and 2009. He pointed out a common denominator between his figures is four. Stating the cost from 1980 to now, cost are four times more, except for the cost of a building permit, which cost he showed at being 20 times greater. He stated that the main purpose in this, is from the impact fees, and he feels that the cost of impact fees are too high. He feels that they are not fair to the home owner/builder. He stated that back in the 60's the cities would pay to install the infrastructure, not the developer. He would like to have the council look at the figures he has presented on the board and see if they can decrease.

Councilperson Green stated that if the city decreases the amounts of the impact fees, then where would the city get the money for the infrastructures. If we decrease one area, then we would need to increase in other areas.

Mayor Henderson discussed the procedure for the process of the impact fees and how the city goes about determining the fees. He also explained how the city has fixed costs;

many of these fixed costs are debt service from installing infrastructure to support growth and impact fees are helping pay for the infrastructure.

9. DISCUSSION ON PARKING FOR HARE KRISHNA EVENTS

Mayor Henderson stated that a few council meetings ago we discussed the parking for the Festival of Colors that the Hare Krishna's do each spring. They are getting more and more people coming to the festival and there is not enough parking. We want to help them and work with them to see what we can do. Councilperson Green stated that he has met with them and some of the suggestions that were presented are having people park at the high school and shuttling people to the temple, or at the Spanish Fork Rodeo Arena and shuttling from there. They would need to have a sponsor for the shuttle. It is a concern and they will be trying to work something out.

10. PAYSON CITY INTERLOCAL AGREEMENT FOR GIS/ENGINEERING SERVICES

Bruce Ward stated that we are part of an inter-local agreement with Spanish Fork, Payson, Mapleton and Springville. This inter-local agreement is for the GIS/GPS for cities. This group has done all of our maps and has recently started doing our surveying. The cost for us has been about \$50,000. As the cities are growing they are asking for more time from the staff. This year we are looking at getting out of the group and working with Payson City to hire Aaron Painter, one of the GIS/GPS staff. The split would be 60% for Payson and 40% for Salem. Payson City has budgeted \$100,000 for Aaron, and our cost would be \$40,000 and then we would still have some small expenses for the equipment for the original inter-local agreement. Bruce feels that this would be a good move for Salem. It will save us money and we would have more of Aaron's time than what we have had in the past.

Councilperson Ficklin stated that it is for three years. He was wondering what happens if the cities start getting busier. Attorney Baker stated we are entitled for 40%. If Aaron gets too busy, then Payson would need to hire someone else to help out.

MOTION BY: Councilperson Stanley Green to approve the Inter-local Agreement with Payson City for the shared use of Aaron Painter for the GIS/GPS services.

SECONDED BY: Councilperson Brent Hanks.

VOTE: All Affirmative (5-0).

11. AGREEMENT WITH ARMY CORP OF ENGINEERS FOR WETLANDS

Bruce Ward stated that this document is needed so that the city can have the permit for the lift station that was built in the wet lands by the sewer treatment plant. The lift station was built for the Salem Park Subdivision. The Corps of Engineers is requiring that the

city make this agreement before they allow us to have the permit. The agreement basically states that if Salem City gets another violation with wet land issues, than we will probably be fined.

MOTION BY: Councilperson Lynn Durrant to approve the agreement with Army Corps.

SECONDED BY: Councilperson Stanley Green.

VOTE: All Affirmative (5-0).

12. CONTRACT WITH CRESCENT SUPER BAND FOR SALEM DAYS

PAGEANT

Mayor Henderson stated that Neil and Vicki Peterson are the chair people over Salem Days this year. They have decided to hire the Crescent Super Band for the Salem Days Pageant this year. The band will perform after the winners of the Salem's Got Talent winners perform. Neil and Vicki are doing a great job with Salem Days. He stated that the cost of the band is \$2,000 for the night. The council was wondering rather than spending the money, to see if some local talent could perform. Reid Cornaby stated that he would like to see if some local talent could perform, rather than spending the \$2,000, especially with the economy the way it is. It was mentioned that Michele Crisp has offered to have her and her band perform. It was suggested to see if we can to either get Michele, or another local performer before we sign the contract with Crescent Super Band, but if we cannot then give the mayor permission to sign the contract.

MOTION BY: Councilperson Todd Gordon to work with Neil and Vicki Peterson to see if another option could be done, to have a local talent perform at the pageant for Salem Days, and if not to approve the mayor to sign the agreement with Crescent Super Band.

SECONDED BY: Councilperson Lynn Durrant.

VOTE: All Affirmative (5-0).

13. APPROVE STATE COURT CONTRACT

Attorney Baker stated that Salem City is a branch of the 4th District Court. This requires a contract to be signed. This contract states the amounts that the court will pay the city for being a branch of the court. The state will pay for a portion of Heather's salary and also office supply and equipment.

MOTION BY: Councilperson Stanley Green to approve the State Court Contract for 2009/2010.

SECONDED BY: Councilperson Lynn Durrant.

VOTE: All Affirmative (5-0).

14. APPROVE PURCHASE OF LAWN MOWER FOR CEMETERY

Councilperson Todd Gordon stated that cemetery is in need of a lawnmower. We have received three bids for a lawnmower. The money will be coming from the perpetual care fund, so there is money in the budget for it. The lowest bid is from United Services for \$15,000. Erman Stone, who mows the lawn for the cemetery, stated that he has been able to test it, and it is a good lawn mower.

MOTION BY: Councilperson Todd Gordon to approve the purchase of a lawnmower for the cemetery with the use of the perpetual care fund in the amount of \$15,000.

SECONDED BY: Councilperson Lynn Durrant.

VOTE: All Affirmative (5-0).

15. APPROVE MINUTES OF JUNE 3, 2009

MOTION BY: Councilperson Lynn Durrant to approve the minutes of June 3, 2009 as written.

SECONDED BY: Councilperson Brent Hanks.

VOTE: All Affirmative (5-0).

16. APPROVE BILLS FOR PAYMENT

MOTION BY: Councilperson Brent Hanks to approve the bills for payment.

SECONDED BY: Councilperson Stanley Green.

VOTE: All Affirmative (5-0).

17. PUBLIC SAFETY

Chief James stated that the finger print machine that was approved a few council meetings ago, has been installed. This will be a great addition to the police department.

18. OPEN DISCUSSION

It was stated that the recycle bin has been moved from the ball park parking lot to Crisps Grocery Store parking lot. . Terry looked at putting another one there.

ChaRay, who is the new Chamber Director for Spanish Fork/Salem Chamber, introduced herself to the council, and stated that if there is anything that she can do for the city as the director, to let her know.

COUNCIL REPORTS

19. MAYOR J. LANE HENDERSON

Mayor Henderson stated that he has met with Dave Anderson, who has a contract with the city to do some planning for us. There was a general plan meeting set for this coming Saturday, but that meeting has been changed to Wednesday June 24, at 6:00 p.m. This will be a joint meeting with Planning and Zoning.

20. COUNCILPERSON LYNN DURRANT

Councilperson Durrant stated that the APPA held their annual conference in Salt Lake City Utah.

21. COUNCILPERSON TERRY A. FICKLIN

Councilperson Ficklin reported that the South Utah Valley Solid Waste District met today to approve their budget for the next year. They too are showing a reduction in their budget. They also voted on the next phase of cell two for the waste storage. He talked about the possibility of using cell one to use the methane gas to help with a production of power. He then explained how the methane gas is used to produce power.

22. COUNCILPERSON STANLEY W. GREEN

23. COUNCILPERSON BRENT V. HANKS

Councilperson Hanks reported that beginning on July 9; the city will begin chip sealing with the inter-local group.

Also, we have contacted USU (Utah State University) about a program they have available to help us inventory our roads. Springville City paid about \$40,000 on a similar program. USU has stated that they would inventory our roads, enter into a data base, and then give us the data base/program. The cost to Salem would be \$4,700; this would also give us training on the software and give us the rights for the software. We are getting a great deal. We feel this will help us so we start to be proactive on our roads.

MOTION BY: Councilperson Brent Hanks to approve the roads program from USE and have them inventory our roads.

SECONDED BY: Councilperson Stanley Green.

VOTE: All Affirmative (5-0).

24. COUNCILPERSON TODD R. GORDON

25. DAVE JOHNSON, BUILDING DEPARTMENT/PUBLIC WORKS

26. BRUCE WARD, CITY ENGINEER/ PUBLIC WORKS DIRECTOR

27. ATTORNEY S. JUNIOR BAKER.

ADJOURN CITY COUNCIL MEETING

MOTION BY: Councilperson Brent Hanks to adjourn city council meeting.

SECONDED BY: Councilperson Todd Gordon.

VOTE: All Affirmative (5-0).

MEETING ADJOURNED AT: 8:50 p.m.

Jeffrey Nielson, City Recorder