

Salem City Council Meeting will also be held electronically, using the Zoom program.

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<u>DATE:</u> August 3, 2022 (City Council Chamber 30 West 100 South)

6:00 p.m. Work Session

- 1. Citizens Request: Discussion to Amend the C-1 Zone
- 2. Agenda Item's Discussion

7:00 p.m. <u>AGENDA – REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING</u>

- 1. Volunteer Motivational/Inspirational Message
- 2. Invitation to Say Pledge of Allegiance
- 3. Youth Council Report
- 4. SF / Salem Chamber Report
- 5. Public Hearing
 - a. Proposed Property Tax Increase
- 6. Decision: Proposed Property Tax Increase
- 7. Decision: Preliminary Plat Dragons Meadow
- 8. Decision: Elk Ridge Water Interconnect Connectors Agreement
- 9. Decision: Vacant Home 1528 West (approx. 824 West) Salem Canal Road Clean Up/Demolition
- 10. Decision: Minutes of July 20, 2022
- 11. Decision: Bills for Payment

DIRECTORS REPORTS

- 12. Chief Brad James, Public Safety Director
- 13. Steve Cox, Building Official Director
- 14. Attorney Walter Bird
- 15. Jeffrey Nielson, City Finance Director
- 16. Matt Marziale, Public Works/Recreation Director
- 17. Adam Clements, Electrical Director
- 18. Bruce Ward, Manager/Engineering
- 19. John Bowcut, Fiber Director

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COUNCIL REPORTS

- 20. Mayor Kurt L Christensen
 - a. Finances / Budget
 - b. City Employees
 - c. Miss Salem
 - d. UMPA Report
 - e. Public Safety
- 21. Councilman Kelly Peterson
 - a. Power Report
 - b. SUVPS Report
 - c. Fiber Report
- 22. Councilwoman Cristy Simons
 - a. Parks & Recreation
 - b. Green Waste
 - c. Youth Council
- 23. Councilman Seth Sorensen
 - a. Water (Primary & Secondary)
 - b. Mt Nebo & SUVMWA
 - c. Chamber of Commerce
- 24. Councilwoman Delys Snyder
 - a. Solid Waste/Recycling
 - b. Senior Lunch
 - c. Library
- 25. Councilman Tim De Graw
 - a. Sewer
 - b. Storm Drain
 - c. Roads & Trails
 - d. Transportation Master Plan Consultant Selection
- 26. CLOSED SESSION -The Salem City Council may temporarily recess the regular meeting and convene in a closed session to discuss pending or reasonably imminent litigation; the purchase, exchange, or lease of real property or water; or to discuss the character, professional competence or physical or mental health of an individual as provided by Utah Code Annotated §52-4-205.

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Minutes of the Salem City Council Meeting held on August 3, 2022 in the Salem City Council Chambers.

Work Session: 6:00 p.m.

1. Citizens Request Discussion to Amend the C-1 Zone

Conner Atkin came to present a proposed amendment to the C-1 zone. Conner Atkin would like to construct a Tag N Go car wash on a piece of property located in the C-1 zone. The current C-1 zone does not permit car washes. Conner Atkin is proposing to amend the C-1 zone to allow car washes. John Bowcut mentioned that the amended code should require a buffer between car washes and residential areas. Councilperson Snyder doesn't have a problem with allowing car washes in the C-1 zone. Bruce Ward asked the City Council if they would like car washes to be a permitted use or a conditional use in the C-1 zone. Councilperson Peterson mentioned that he would like to see car washes permitted with conditions in the C-1 zone. Bruce Ward asked Conner Atkin about the water efficiency of the potential car wash. Conner Atkin stated that the car wash uses an average of 28 gallons of water per car. Conner Atkin mentioned that the industry standard for water efficiency is 40 gallons of water per car. Mayor Christensen wanted to know how the waste from the car wash would affect the sewer treatment plant. Conner Atkin mentioned that the soaps used in the car wash are environmentally friendly. Conner Atkin is going to send samples and test to the sewer department. The sewer department can determine the effects the car wash will have on the sewer treatment plant. The city staff asked Conner Atkin what type of power the car wash will use. Conner Atkin stated that they will be using a three phase 600 amp power for the car wash. Councilperson Simons wants to make sure that the neighbors adjacent to the car wash have a fence they want. Councilperson De Graw request that the landscaping for the car wash area is xeriscape. It was mentioned that the developer will need to receive approval from UDOT to construct an access onto SR-198. The City Council directed the city staff to draft an amendment to allow car washes in the C-1 zone.

2. Agenda Items Discussion

Bruce Ward gave and overview of the Dragons Meadow Preliminary Plat Subdivision. The subdivision is located at 400 North and Woodland Hills Drive. This subdivision is located in the R-15 zone and will be composed of six lots. The DRC and Planning and Zoning recommended approval of the subdivision with one minor condition. Lots 1-5 cannot have accesses onto Woodland Hills Drive and 400 North.

Walter Bird presented the proposed connectors agreement. Walter Bird mentioned that Arive Homes constructed a culinary water back up system between Elk Ridge and Salem City. This connector's agreement will allow Arive Homes to be paid back by other developers for the construction of the utility. Bruce Ward mentioned that the back-up water system has been very useful.

Bruce Ward went through the information about the vacant lot demolition located at 824 West Salem Canal Road. The property is needed for the expansion of Salem Canal Road. The purchase agreement from the property owner requires the removal of tress and structures on the property. The bid from Ames Construction to perform the demolition is the bid that City Staff is recommending. Mayor Christensen would like a video taken of what is inside of the vacant home before it is demolished. Mayor Christensen would like to show Carol Miller (previous owner of the property) what was demolished.

MEETING CONVENED AT: 7:00 p.m.

CONDUCTING: Mayor Kurt L Christensen

COUNCIL PRESENT:

Mayor Kurt L Christensen Councilperson Seth Sorensen Councilperson Delys Snyder Councilperson Tim De Graw Councilperson Cristy Simons Councilperson Kelly Peterson

STAFF PRESENT:

Jeffrey Nielson, Finance/Recorder Walter Bird, City Attorney Chief Brad James, Police Chief Adam Clements, Power Matt Marziale, PW/Recreation Bruce Ward, Manager/City Engineer Steve Cox, Building Dept. John Bowcut, Fiber Director Cody Young

OTHERS PRESENT

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1. VOLUNTEER MOTIVATIONAL/INSPIRATIONAL MESSAGE

Mayor Christensen asked if anyone would like to give a motivational or inspirational message. Sean Mcvay stated he would like to offer a motivational message in the form of a prayer.

2. INVITATION TO SAY PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Cody Young 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.

3. YOUTH COUNCIL

There was nobody from Youth Council at tonight's meeting.

4. SF/SALEM CHAMBER OF COMMERCE

There was nobody from the SF/Salem Chamber of Commerce at tonight's meeting.

5. Public Hearing

Mayor Christensen asked for a motion for public hearing.

MOTION BY: Councilperson Peterson made a motion to enter public hearing. SECONDED BY: Councilperson Snyder seconded the motion. VOTE: Councilperson Tim De Graw; Aye, Councilperson Kelly Peterson; Aye, Councilperson Cristy Simons; Aye, Councilperson Delys Snyder; Aye, Councilperson Seth Sorensen; Aye, (5 Ayes)

a. Proposed Property Tax Increase

Jeff Nielson gave an overview of the proposed property tax increase. Salem City is needing a fire and ambulance station. The proposed location of the public safety station is the property west of stokes along 750 North. Salem City purchased this property in the past believing it would be a future spot for a public safety building. Only 65% of the future building can be purchased with public safety impact fees. It is proposed that \$350,000 is collected from the Salem City residents per year to help pay for the public safety building. Salem City residents would pay about \$7.78 more in property taxes.

Nathan Mayfield is a part of resnexs (business in Salem). Nathan Mayfield is concerned that the proposed tax rate is a 37% increase. Nathan Mayfield would like to see the proposed tax rate mitigated to be lower.

Shelly Cooper has lived in Salem for 26 years. Shelly Cooper is also concerned about the proposed 37% property tax increase. Shelly Cooper mentioned that their property tax has increased to \$1100 because of the recent tax increases from other entities.

Alan Fink appreciates the fact that a public safety building needs to be constructed. Alan Fink believes that this is not the appropriate year to construct the building. Alan Fink would like the City to hold off for a year before building the public safety building. Alan Fink believes that the middle class is being strangled because of inflation and tax increases.

Sam Mcvay lives in Salem. Sam Mcvay agrees with what Alan Fink shared. Sam Mcvay believes that the City will not be able to get materials to construct the building. Sam Mcvay thinks that cost will go down. Once the cost goes down the City should look into constructing the public safety building. Sam Mcvay suggested that temporary metal buildings could be constructed across the street to allow the space needed for the public safety equipment. The temporary metal buildings would be a lot cheaper than a new public safety building. Sam Mcvay believes that the proposed location for the public safety building is not the correct location. Sam Mcvay stated that the property taxes have went up and the City will be the driver of that increase if they decided to increase the property tax.

Spencer Hawkins is opposed to the proposed property tax increase. Spencer Hawkins believes that the City should save up money to pay for the public safety building. Spencer Hawkins thinks that an alternative route to pay for the public safety building should be found. Spencer Hawkins wants the City Council to protect the people's income.

Kevin Kemp has 30 years of experience EMS. Kevin Kemp believes that public safety is important and needs to be good. Kevin Kemp will gladly pay \$7 a month to support the public safety department in Salem. Kevin Kemp supports the proposed property tax rate increase.

Dave Bowen agrees with what Kevin Kemp shared in tonight's meeting. Dave Bowen believes that the new public safety building will benefit the City.

Darren Cooper has lived in Salem for 26 years. Darren Cooper believes that a public safety building is needed. Darren Cooper is opposed to the timing of the construction for the building. Darren Cooper thinks that the proposed property tax is like pouring gas on a fire that is already burning. Darren Cooper believes that there are better options to fund the public safety building.

Camilla Simonson is not in favor of the proposed property tax increase. Camilla Simonson mentioned that when property taxes are increased, mortgage's never recover. Camilla Simonson mentioned that a one-time fee could be a solution for funding the public safety building. Camilla Simonson suggested that the City could sell the property that the building is proposed to be built on. The City can use the money from the sell to build the public safety building. Camilla Simonson is against the 37% property tax increase.

Joe Penalton has lived in Salem for 50 years. Joe Penalton believes that it is a really bad time to get into a loan. Joe Penalton believes the timing is not right for the public safety building. The City should set aside some money for the building and wait for prices to decrease.

James Ealey is the current fire department chief for Salem City. James Ealey agrees that taxes and rates are high right now. James Ealey believes that it is a good time to start designing the public safety building. James Ealey reminded the audience that the ground will not be broke for the new public safety building tomorrow. James Ealey mentioned that they are running out of space in the current building. The new public safety building will have showers and other amenities to ensure safety of the volunteers and their families.

Jeff Simonson agrees and disagrees with both sides of the subject. Jeff Simonson mentioned that remodeling should be considered before a new public safety building should be constructed. Jeff Simonson mentioned that it is a bad time to build a building.

William Burke doesn't think that any cost are going to go down soon. Nobody has a crystal ball to determine the future. William Burke does not want to live in a city that is not safe. William Burke believes that the bullet needs to be bit and the building needs to be built before things get more expensive.

Craig Saco stated that nobody is in favor of tax increases. Craig Saco believes that the City Council has put in the effort to find the best way to fund the public safety building. Craig Saco reminded everybody that Salem City is not the only entity raising taxes. Craig Saco would like to see the public safety level of service maintained. The only way to maintain the public safety level of service is to build a new public safety building.

Lisa Webster appreciated Jeff Nielson for explaining the property tax increase. Lisa Webster can sacrifice \$7 a month for a new public safety building.

Christy Lowe is an EMS provider for Salem City. The EMS providers are volunteers are don't get paid for their service. The volunteers don't currently have showers to clean up after calls before going home to their families. Christy Lowe loves providing EMS services to Salem City. Christy Lowe believes that it is the right time to start planning for the new public safety building. Metal Sheds cannot be used to store EMS equipment because some of the equipment has to be stored in a climate controlled area. The City is growing rapidly and more public safety services are necessary.

Nathan Mayfield wanted to know if the bond would be a fixed rate for 30 years. Jeff Nielson stated that the bond has not been setup yet but most of the bonds are at a fixed rate.

Sam Mcvay thinks that there needs to be more than two options for funding the public safety building. Sam Mcvay that his metal shed has climate control. Sam Mcvay believes that a building like the City office building does not need to be built for the public safety building.

Lisa Horton has been providing EMS services for 24 years in Salem. Lisa Horton is concerned that the current public safety building is not seismically rated for major earthquakes. There are a lot of items needed for the public safety department that will come with a new public safety building. The growth of Salem City requires this building to be built. Lisa Horton wants to be prepared to provide EMS to the future Salem City.

Mayor Christensen asked for a motion for public hearing.

MOTION BY: Councilperson Simons made a motion to close public hearing. SECONDED BY: Councilperson Peterson seconded the motion. VOTE: Councilperson Tim De Graw; Aye, Councilperson Kelly Peterson; Aye, Councilperson Cristy Simons; Aye, Councilperson Delys Snyder; Aye, Councilperson Seth Sorensen; Aye, (5 Ayes)

6. Decision: Proposed Property Tax Increase

Mayor Christensen made a few comments about the proposed property tax increase. The Salem City Office is bursting at the seams, there is no more room for expansion. Salem City is getting so big that we needed to hire a legal department this year. Salem City is the only city its size that does not have a fire station. Mayor Christensen stated that the new sewer treatment plant would've cost more money if they would've waited to build it. The property for the public safety building will not be sold because it will be a great location for a public safety building. Mayor Christensen believes it is time to construct a public safety building. Mayor Christensen believes that there is a lot of great things coming to Salem in the near future. Mayor Christensen believes that the public safety department has been getting by for too long. It is time for a new public safety building.

Councilperson Peterson talked about impact fee spending. Impact fees have to be spent within 6 years of receiving the money. Saving up impact fees to pay for the building will not work. Councilperson Peterson believes that there is a need for a new public safety building.

Councilperson Simons agrees that a public safety building is needed. Councilperson Simons mentioned that every possible upgrade/remodel has been made to the Salem City Office to keep the public safety department at the City Hall. Councilperson Simons believes that Salem City is falling short in the public safety infrastructure compared to other cities. The options to fund the new public safety building are the cheapest options for the residents.

Councilperson Snyder thanked the public safety department for their hard work. Councilperson Snyder mentioned that a home's insurance can be calculated off of how long it takes a fire department to get to the home. Councilperson Snyder mentioned that nobody knows where interest rates will be in the future. Councilperson Snyder mentioned that it would've been cheaper to build the new transfer station if they did not hold off to wait for prices to go down. Councilperson Snyder mentioned that it takes years to build a public safety building. Nobody can predict what prices will be in the future. Councilperson Snyder is in favor of the new public safety building.

Councilperson De Graw appreciated the comments that were shared in the public hearing. Councilperson De Graw mentioned that a metal structure build across the street from the Salem City Office would add time to a response time. The metal structure idea is not feasible. Councilperson De Graw mentioned that the public safety department average response time is 7 to 10 minutes. The new public safety building will have amenities to keep the volunteers safer. The new building will also increase response time. Salem City needs to act now and build the new public safety building.

Chief Brad James shared the following message. I appreciate the opportunity of addressing you tonight as part of the truth and taxation public hearing. I would like to first and foremost assure each of you that I do not take this matter lightly. I understand that nobody including myself likes an increase in taxes. I know that any increase has an impact on our citizens especially those on a fixed income like my 80-year-old mother. The city office that we are meeting in tonight was originally built in 1982. The office sits on .51 acres and has an additional .35 acres of parking. It houses all of the city administration, city engineering, building department, city attorneys, fire, EMS, police department, and more. An additional two-story structure was built on the west end of this complex in 1989 to accommodate our growing fire and EMS organizations and their needs. In 2009 an addition was added on the east side of this complex to accommodate an expanding city office and police department as well as to provide a larger city council room for citizens to attend meetings in, like tonight. It became clear as early as 2014 that your public safety departments (police, fire, ambulance) were going to need room to expand in the future as new citizens chose Salem as a great place to live. Work began to identify a suitable site for a public safety complex and in 2017 7.65 acres of property was purchased directly west of Stokes Market with the assistance of public safety impact fees. Each new property owner moving to Salem pays a public safety impact fee of \$2382. This fee as designated by law is to be used for the impact that new growth has on public safety services. The impact fee as explained here tonight would help pay for approximately 65% of the design and building of a new Fire/EMS compound. In the Spring

of 2021, it became evident that the current city office complex had met its maximum capacity. The fire and EMS portion of this complex have zero space left for our dedicated fire & EMS personnel to perform their necessary and expected duties. One can walk into the fire or ambulance bays and easily see they have a critical need for more space for storage, parking, training, and regular activities and responsibilities. In the year 2021 your volunteer fire department personnel responded to 202 calls for service. And your volunteer EMS providers responded to an all-time high of 727 calls for service. Salem City is lucky to have some of the most dedicated and professional fire & EMS volunteers. They make themselves available to all citizens in Salem for any emergency. They give up nights home with family for training. They give up sleep to answer a call in the middle of the night. They give up weekends, holidays, family events, and vacations all for the love of Salem and their willingness to serve other citizens in a time of need. They do not do it for the money as they received little compensation for all of their efforts. They do it for the love of the community and they do it despite putting themselves in harm's way on a regular basis. Like running into a burning home to make sure no one is inside or treating someone with COVID or an array of communicable diseases. Thank goodness we live in a community where citizens have the passion and willingness to volunteer their talents and precious time to assist others. There is a price to pay for living in a bedroom community like Salem. I have done everything in my power over the last 30-plus years as your police chief and public safety director to keep costs low for public safety services. Unfortunately, the cost of new equipment, vehicles, and technology has skyrocketed just like the costs of building a new fire/EMS building. I assure you that I spend every tax dollar as wisely and prudently as possible. I have never asked our citizens or city council for a tax increase but, I am tonight. Please try and understand the need and help by allowing us to continue to provide the services that you currently expect and receive in a professional and timely manner.

Thank you for being here tonight. Your input, thoughts and consideration are very much appreciated.

Mayor Christensen asked for a motion for the proposed property tax increase.

MOTION BY: Councilperson De Graw made a motion to approve resolution 80322, a resolution adopting a tax rate for the 2022 (2023 fiscal year).

SECONDED BY: Councilperson Snyder seconded the motion.

VOTE: Councilperson Tim De Graw; Aye, Councilperson Kelly Peterson; Aye, Councilperson Cristy Simons; Aye, Councilperson Delys Snyder; Aye, Councilperson Seth Sorensen; Aye, (5 Ayes)

7. Decision: Preliminary Plat Dragons Meadow

Mayor Christensen asked for a motion for the preliminary plat for the Dragons Meadow Subdivision.

MOTION BY: Councilperson Simons made a motion to approve the preliminary plat for the Dragons Meadow Subdivision with condition to follow the recommended conditions from DRC and Planning and Zoning Commission.

SECONDED BY: Councilperson Snyder seconded the motion.

VOTE: Councilperson Tim De Graw; Aye, Councilperson Kelly Peterson; Aye, Councilperson Cristy Simons; Aye, Councilperson Delys Snyder; Aye, Councilperson Seth Sorensen; Aye, (5 Ayes)

8. Decision: Elk Ridge Water Interconnect Connectors Agreement

Walter Bird stated that the connector's agreement is for the Elk Ridge and Salem City culinary water interconnect.

Mayor Christensen asked for a motion for the Elk Ridge water interconnect connector's agreement.

MOTION BY: Councilperson De Graw made a motion to approve the Elk Ridge water interconnect connector's agreement.

SECONDED BY: Councilperson Simons seconded the motion.

VOTE: Councilperson Tim De Graw; Aye, Councilperson Kelly Peterson; Aye, Councilperson Cristy Simons; Aye, Councilperson Delys Snyder; Aye, Councilperson Seth Sorensen; Aye, (5 Ayes)

9. Decision: Vacant Home 1528 West (approx. 824 West) Salem Canal Road - Clean Up/Demolition

Mayor Christensen requested that the inside of the home is videotaped before it is demolished.

Mayor Christensen asked for a motion for the vacant home 1528 West (approx. 824 West) Salem Canal Road – clean up/demolition.

MOTION BY: Councilperson Peterson made a motion to approve the bid from Ames Construction for the vacant home 1528 West (approx. 824 West) Salem Canal Road – clean up/demolition in the amount of \$35,000.

SECONDED BY: Councilperson Snyder seconded the motion.

VOTE: Councilperson Tim De Graw; Aye, Councilperson Kelly Peterson; Aye, Councilperson Cristy Simons; Aye, Councilperson Delys Snyder; Aye, Councilperson Seth Sorensen; Aye, (5 Ayes)

10. Decision: Minutes of July 20, 2022

Mayor Christensen asked for a motion for the minutes of July 20, 2022.

MOTION BY: Councilperson Snyder made a motion to approve the minutes of July 20, 2022.

SECONDED BY: Councilperson Simons seconded the motion.

VOTE: Councilperson Tim De Graw; Aye, Councilperson Kelly Peterson; Aye, Councilperson Cristy Simons; Aye, Councilperson Delys Snyder; Aye, Councilperson Seth Sorensen; Aye, (5 Ayes)

11. Decision: Bill for Payment

Mayor Christensen asked for a motion for the bills for payment.

AMOUNT: \$1,136,199.84

MOTION BY: Councilperson Peterson made a motion to approve the bills for payment in

the amount of \$1,136,199.84.

SECONDED BY: Councilperson Simons seconded the motion.

VOTE: Councilperson Tim De Graw; Aye, Councilperson Kelly Peterson; Aye,

Councilperson Cristy Simons; Aye, Councilperson Delys Snyder; Aye, Councilperson Seth Sorensen; Aye, (5 Ayes)

STAFF REPORTS

12. CHIEF BRAD JAMES, PUBLIC SAFETY DIRECTOR

Chief Brad James thanked the Mayor for hiring a full time legal department. Chief Brad James mentioned that it has been very convenient to have the legal department full time at the office. Chief Brad James gave a shout out to the fire department for taking care of the wildland fire by 11200 South recently.

13. STEVE COX, BUILDING OFFICIAL DIRECTOR

Steve Cox mentioned that there are 16 single family permits ready to be issued after they are paid. Steve Cox stated that the building is on the same track as last year.

14. ATTORNEY WALTER BIRD

Walter Bird had nothing to add to tonight's meeting.

15. JEFFREY NIELSON, CITY FINANCE DIRECTOR/CITY RECORDER

Jeff Nielson mentioned that the auditors were at the office last week, everything went well.

16. MATT MARZIALE, RECREATION/PUBLIC WORKS DIRECTOR

Matt Marziale stated that they applied for a grant for a trail from 400 North to 180 North on Woodland Hills Drive. The DWR is the organization granting the money. Salem City will need to perform an environmental study on the area before the grant can be awarded. Matt Marziale asked the City Council if \$20,000 can be used for the environmental impact study. The City Council is okay with performing the environmental study for the trail grant. Jeff Nielson stated that this action will need to be on the City Council agenda for official approval. Matt Marziale mentioned that the trees at Cole Park are planted and alive. The

grass area of Cole Park will need to be re-hydro seeded because of this week's rain. The concrete sidewalk is being constructed and the playground will be constructed in two weeks. Councilperson De Graw requested that the light pole base covers need to be installed for safety. Matt Marziale mentioned that he will make sure the light pole base covers are installed.

17. ADAM CLEMENTS, ELECTRICAL DIRECTOR

Adam Clements had nothing to add to tonight's meeting.

18. BRUCE WARD, MANAGER/ENGINEERING

Councilperson Snyder asked Bruce Ward if the City has hired a new assistant engineer. Bruce Ward stated that they are still in the process of hiring a new assistant engineer. Bruce Ward stated that he received the first draft for the future zoning codes of the New Salem area. Councilperson De Graw wanted to know if there was any post comments from the traffic master plan open house meeting. Bruce Ward stated that Jeremey Searle (traffic engineer consultant) has not reviewed the comments from the open house yet. Bruce Ward stated that there was a lot of people at the public open house for the traffic master plan. Councilperson Snyder requested that the potential traffic master plan map is uploaded on the Salem City website. Bruce Ward mentioned that the most frequent question asked at the traffic master plan open house was, "When will the roads be built?" Bruce Ward mentioned that people were upset to see a future road on a map going through their property. Bruce Ward mentioned that Salem City is not in the business of condemning anyone's property for a road. The future roads will be constructed with growth.

19. JOHN BOWCUT, FIBER DIRECTOR

John Bowcut stated that they have 593 customers. John Bowcut mentioned that the fiber department has built out 30% of the city. John Bowcut is expecting to have the fiber built throughout the entire City by the end of next year.

COUNCIL REPORTS

20. MAYOR KURT L. CHRISTENSEN

Mayor Christensen thanked Jeff Nielson for creating the budget. Mayor Christensen mentioned that the public safety is doing a great job.

21. COUNCILPERSON KELLY PETERSON

Councilperson Peterson mentioned that the power department is working very hard. The usage reports from UMPA will be sent to the City in a few weeks. Councilperson Snyder

asked what UMPA will do if the Glen Canyon Dam power is undeliverable. Councilperson Peterson stated that UMPA is very good at finding different avenues to purchase power while keeping rates lower.

22. COUNCILPERSON CRISTY SIMONS

Councilperson Simons mentioned that the Youth Council will be helping with Salem Days next week.

23. COUNCILPERSON SETH SORENSEN

Councilperson Sorensen coordinated a few items for Salem Days.

24. COUNCILPERSON DELYS SNYDER

Councilperson Snyder mentioned that the library auction is coming up soon. The library has been having lunches for the children, the lunches have been successful.

25. COUNCILPERSON TIM DE GRAW

Councilperson De Graw had nothing to add to tonight's meeting.

26. CLOSED SESSION

Mayor Christensen stated that closed session is needed for the potential imminent litigation.

Mayor Christensen asked for a motion for closed session.

MOTION BY: Councilperson Peterson made a motion to enter closed session.

SECONDED BY: Councilperson Snyder seconded the motion.

VOTE: Councilperson Tim De Graw; Aye, Councilperson Kelly Peterson; Aye, Councilperson Cristy Simons; Aye, Councilperson Delys Snyder; Aye, Councilperson Seth Sorensen; Aye, (5 Ayes)

Mayor Christensen asked for a motion for closed session.

MOTION BY: Councilperson Snyder made a motion to close closed session.

SECONDED BY: Councilperson Simons seconded the motion.

VOTE: Councilperson Tim De Graw; Aye, Councilperson Kelly Peterson; Aye, Councilperson Cristy Simons; Aye, Councilperson Delys Snyder; Aye, Councilperson Seth Sorensen; Aye, (5 Ayes)

ADJOURN CITY COUNCIL MEETING

Mayor Christensen asked for a motion to adjourn.

MOTION BY: Councilperson Snyder made a motion to adjourn **SECONDED BY:** Councilperson Simons seconded the motion.

VOTE: Councilperson Tim De Graw; Aye, Councilperson Kelly Peterson; Aye,

Councilperson Cristy Simons; Aye, Councilperson Delys Snyder; Aye, Councilperson Seth

Sorensen; Aye, (5 Ayes)

MEETING ADJOURNED AT: 8:30 p.m.

Jeffrey Nielson, City Recorder

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