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DATE: July 7, 2021 (City Council Chamber 30 West 100 South)
6:00 p.m. WORK SESSION

1. Sunrise Interchange traffic/road study
2. Agenda Item Discussion

7:00 p.m.

AGENDA – REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING

1. Volunteer Motivational/Inspirational Message
2. Invitation to Say Pledge of Allegiance
3. Youth Council Report
4. SF / Salem Chamber Report
5. Swearing in New Police Officer
6. BYU Farm Annexation
7. Approve Ordinance to Amend Title 14 of the Salem City Municipal Code Related to Average Density in the R-8, R-10, R-12 and R-15 Zones.
8. Approve Ordinance to Amend Title 11, Chapter 5, of the Salem City Municipal Code Adopting a Telecommunications Utility
9. Approve Resolution Adopting Salem Fiber Rates
10. Approval of Agreement for Employment – Salem City Director of Information Systems/Fiber
11. Award Bid for Cole Park Electrical for Pickleball Courts
12. Award Bid for Arrowhead Substation Control Building
13. Award Bid for Power Department Building-Structural Build
14. Approve Purchase of Track Hoe
15. Approve Minutes of June 16, 2021
16. Approve Bills for Payment

DIRECTORS REPORTS

17. Chief Brad James, Public Safety Director
18. Steve Cox, Building Official Director
19. Attorney Vaughn Pickell
20. Jeffrey Nielson, City Finance Director
21. Matt Marziale, Public Works/Recreation Director
 - a. Side by Side Trail/Parks
22. Ted Barnett, Electrical Director
23. Bruce Ward, Manager/Engineering
 - a. Landscape Incentive Update
 - b. PI Water Use Discussion
24. John Bowcut, Fiber
 - a. Fiber Employees Options for Hiring

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COUNCIL REPORTS

25. Mayor Kurt L Christensen
 - a. Finances / Budget
 - b. City Employees
 - c. Miss Salem
26. Councilman Sterling Rees
 - a. UMPA Report
 - b. SUVPS Report
 - c. Mayor / Council Advisory Board
27. Councilman Seth Sorensen
 - a. Recreation
 - b. Green Waste
 - c. Chamber of Commerce
28. Councilman Howard Chuntz
 - a. SUVMWA & Mt. Nebo Representative
 - b. Water (Primary & Secondary)
 - c. Roads
 - d. Storm Drain
29. Councilperson Delys Snyder
 - a. Solid Waste
 - b. Senior Dinners
 - c. Library
30. Councilman Tim De Graw
 - a. Sewer
 - b. Youth Council
31. 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 July 7, 2021 in the Salem City Council Chambers.

Work Session: 6:00 p.m.

1. SUNRISE INTERCHANGE TRAFFIC/ROAD STUDY

Bruce Ward introduce Shannon Ellsworth and Robert Worley and they are here to discuss the interchange near the Benjamin Exit. Bruce Ward stated this is the first draft nothing is set in stone. Shannon Ellsworth stated she is the community development manager for Sunrise Engineering, and she is a license professional planner. Shannon is here to present the area plan. Shannon explained the Northwest area is Commercial and Mixed use this is an important interchange because this allows you to bring in sales tax, stronger property values with commercial zones, some mixed use or medium density with some type of housing. Shannon showed a road network classification, and some roads are already approved or somewhere in the permitting process. Shannon Ellsworth stated it is important to capture the majority of the traffic on Salem Parkway, so it does not spill out to the smaller roads. The first signaled interchange after getting off the freeway is SR164 and Salem Parkway. This is a critical node. Shannon commented much of the network is already taken shape, so you are familiar with 1260 West which runs adjacent to the park and 1500 North which runs north of the park. We have continued those roads to the west and north. Shannon said they tried to create an access within the site. These roads will look different by having wider roads, strong pedestrian treatments, big sidewalks with the kids that live on the south side of 1500 north having safe access to walk to the park and the kids that live north on 1500 north can easily access the park through this area. They are planning to put a roundabout on the intersection of 1260 West and 1500 north. What they do not want to happen is someone from the Payson direction trying to go down 1260 West to connect to the freeway. On Arrowhead trail and 1260 W they will not be able to turn left. They will have to continue to Salem Parkway to access the freeway. Bruce Ward stated Salem has approved an agreement with UDOT that there will not be a light there. The frontage road with have a release value or an interior network that allows people to access businesses that want to be visible from the freeway. There will be a roundabout on 460 West and Arrowhead trail. The roundabout allows for a continuous flow. Councilperson Chuntz asked about cutting of the road access at 1820 north and sending them over to Salem Parkway. Shannon Ellsworth said if this is zoned for commercial development you want that access. Councilperson De Graw asked how we collaborate with Spanish Fork and Shannon said they have similar roads, and she would present to them before finalizing just making sure everything lines up. Councilperson Degraw asked if 1500 north could continue through to Salem Parkway. Shannon said the angle of the two roads are not conducive. The idea is to have things meet at a 90-degree angle and if we cannot then our best option is a roundabout. Councilperson De Graw asked about options to make this look unique? Shannon Ellsworth recommends working with the landscape architect that is developing the park and have them help tie in the landscape that is cohesive. This can be worked through the design standard the city sets. Shannon Ellsworth presented the land use concept plan. Shannon stated she is working on the best possible densities. Shannon gave a caparison of the 50-60 acres in commercial on 2000 north and compared it to the business complex with Costco in Spanish Fork. Frontage is used for businesses that want the highway visibly.

Shannon Ellsworth said she will look at putting high density close to the park and put medium and low density that is not immediately adjacent to the park. Councilperson Degraw asked if there is any talk about expansion with Revere Health. Bruce Ward said there is no recent interactions. Shannon Ellsworth said for every acre of commercial, you are forfeiting an acre of residential. Shannon asked how long you want to hold it, what incentives do you have, and what can you offer the commercial to come in. Councilperson Degraw said if we sit on a commercial property what does that do to the property value. Shannon Ellsworth said in this market the values are increasing and she does not think it will make much of a change. Bruce Ward talked about how we can attract the commercial area profile and roof tops. Bruce Ward feels the utilities could be a good focus and Shannon Ellsworth said yes that is significant. Shannon mentioned Salem has a strong income. Some commercial stores like the higher median income and some stores a lower median income. Councilperson De Graw asked is it better to have a master commercial development. Shannon stated it depends on several factors. It is typical for a developer to buy up all his property and then sell or lease part of it.

2. AGENDA ITEM DISCUSSION

MEETING CONVENED AT: 7:00 p.m.

CONDUCTING: Mayor Kurt L Christensen

COUNCIL PRESENT:

Mayor Kurt L Christensen
Councilperson Sterling Rees-excused
Councilperson Seth Sorensen-excused
Councilperson Howard Chuntz
Councilperson Delys Snyder
Councilperson Tim De Graw

STAFF PRESENT:

Jeffrey Nielson, Finance/Recorder
Vaughn Pickell, City Attorney
Chief Brad James, Police Chief
Ted Barnett, Power
Matt Marziale, PW/Recreation
Bruce Ward, City Engineer
Steve Cox, Building Dept.
Robyn Mortensen

OTHERS PRESENT

Paul Westwood, Duane Hill, Sandy Hill, Troy Williams, Jeff Long, Larry Myler, Robert Worley, William Burk, Jason Stewart, Scott Bishop, Greg Gurney, Devn Bigler, Jeannett Bigler, Summer Bigler, Tami Lytle, Carter Lytle, Emily Weber, Avery Peterson, Mckenzie Graham, Colby Snelson, Kellen Worwood, Dan Nielsen, Kelly Swenson, Paul Taylor

1. VOLUNTEER MOTIVATIONAL/INSPIRATIONAL MESSAGE

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

2. INVITATION TO SAY PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Robyn Mortensen invited those who wish to participate, to stand and say the pledge of allegiance with her. She then led the pledge of allegiance for those who wanted to participate.

3. YOUTH COUNCIL

There was not a member from the Youth Council present tonight.

4. SF/SALEM CHAMBER OF COMMERCE

There was not a member from the SF/Salem Chamber of Commerce present tonight.

5. SWEARING IN NEW POLICE OFFICER

Chief James stated it is his honor to introduce our newest police officer Justin Bigler. Chief James said he appreciates Justin's family for being here tonight and he is excited to have Justin as part of this police force. Justin graduated from Salem Hills High School and served a mission Mexico, and he is fluent in Spanish. Justin Bigler graduated from the police academy in April. Chief James commented he was impressed with Justin because he had made up his mind where he wanted work and he narrowed it down to two departments and he picked Salem. Chief James spoke directly to Justin and stated you are joining a very important family. A family of police officer that work here in Salem as well a larger family throughout the state and country. Chief James stated after you are sworn in, I will be presenting you with a badge. This is the most prize possession you can ever possess. The badge stands for officers that have sacrifice it all for their communities and country we live in. It stands for hardships because you will find time it will be hard as a police officer and it stands for sacrifice, the sacrifices you will make as a police officer here and the sacrifice your family will make by you missing family functions. Chief James stated to Justin Bigler to wear badge with Pride and never tarnish it and wear it to represent Salem well. Chief James asked Jeff Nielson to swear in Justin. Jeff Nielson had Justin Bigler recite the Oath of Office.

6. BYU FARM ANNEXATION

Attorney Pickell stated the BYU Farm annexation petition was certified which started the process for people to submit protest. We received protest on the annexation. Attorney Pickell stated the council now must either deny the petition or send it to the county boundary commission for their decision. Councilperson Snyder asked how long of a process is it with the boundary commission? Attorney Pickell commented he spoke with Rob Moore at the county, and he mentioned there would be a hearing in August. Councilperson De Graw asked if we reject the petition what option does the council have to restart the process and Attorney Pickell stated we would have to wait for another petition.

MOTION BY: Councilperson Chuntz motion to accept the annexation petition for BYU Farms and submit it to Utah County Boundary Commission

SECONDED BY: Councilperson Snyder

VOTE: Councilperson Tim De Graw; Aye, Councilperson Howard Chuntz; Aye, Councilperson Delys Snyder; Aye, (3 Ayes)

7. APPROVE ORDINANCE TO AMEND TITLE 14 OF THE SALEM CITY MUNICIPAL CODE RELATED TO AVERAGE DENSITY IN THE R-8, R-10, R-12 AND R15 ZONES

Attorney Pickell said we had public hearing in March. We finalized the language on the ordinance. Each zone we have standard minimum lot sizes and minimum frontages on

public streets. Attorney Pickell gave an example on the R8 zone. It has minimum 8,000 square foot lot and 75-foot frontage. As an alternative to that the proposed language would allow a deviation from lot sizes, so long as the total number of units does not exceed the average density for that zone. The average density number for R8 is 3.9 units per acre. Given them a little bit of flexibility of the lot, the lot area and frontage can be down to 7,000 square foot lot area and 70-foot frontage but they are still limited to that 3.9 units per acre. Attorney Pickell stated they went through each zone and added the proposed language for R8, R10, R12 and R15 zones. Councilperson Snyder appreciated the changes.

MOTION BY: Councilperson Snyder motion to approve the Ordinance to Amend Title 14 of the Salem City Municipal Code related to average density in the R8, R10, R12 and R15 zones.

SECONDED BY: Councilperson Chuntz

VOTE: Councilperson Tim De Graw; Aye, Councilperson Howard Chuntz; Aye, Councilperson Delys Snyder; Aye, (3 Ayes)

8. APPROVE ORDINANCE TO AMEND TITLE 11, CHAPTER 5 OF THE SALEM CITY MUNICIPAL CODE ADOPTING A TELECOMMUNICATIONS UTILITY

Attorney Pickell stated we have undertaken a fiber project in our city. As a part of that we need to adopt an ordinance authorizing the creation of the telecommunication utility and another component will be to adopt rates for the services provided.

MOTION BY: Councilperson De Graw motion to approve the Ordinance to amend Title 11, Chapter 5 of the Salem City Municipal Code adopting a telecommunications utility.

SECONDED BY: Councilperson Chuntz

VOTE: Councilperson Tim De Graw; Aye, Councilperson Howard Chuntz; Aye, Councilperson Delys Snyder; Aye, (3 Ayes)

9. APPROVE RESOLUTION TO ADOPTING SALEM FIBER RATES

John Bowcutt stated we need to approve rates for the services, and they have been posted on the website for several months. John spoke about the different tiers. John stated the Tier 2 is the Fiber fast option and it is 1 gig. This is the most popular option. This is unusual to have fiber above the 1 gig but we are preparing for the future and having higher gigabit options. John said the router will not be provided by us that is the responsibility of the customer receiving services from us. We will deliver the service to the house, but we can help them to determine what router they will need. In order to have the 10 gig you need to have specific requirements met. That would be a wired computer or multiple wireless access points. There will be a professional installation service option with a \$15 a monthly fee.

Councilperson Snyder asked about the installation fee. John explained when they open up an area and if anyone wants the service, we will connect them for free and no installation charge, but if we come back months later to connect them then there is the potential for \$100 installation fee. Councilperson De Graw asked about the percentage that will use above a tier 2 and John Bowcutt stated less than 10% will go above the standard 1gig. The percentage will increase with the demand. Councilperson Snyder asked about a commercial option and John said it will be coming in the future, but we are concentrating on residential. Tonight, this approval is for residential only.

MOTION BY: Councilperson Chuntz motion to approve the resolution to adopt Salem Fiber Rates.

SECONDED BY: Councilperson De Graw

VOTE: Councilperson Tim De Graw; Aye, Councilperson Howard Chuntz; Aye, Councilperson Delys Snyder; Aye, (3 Ayes)

10. APPROVAL OF AGREEMENT FOR EMPLOYMENT-SALEM CITY DIRECTOR OF INFORMATION SYSTEMS/FIBER

MOTION BY: Councilperson De Graw motion to approve the agreement for employment of the Salem City Director John Bowcutt of Information Systems/Fiber

SECONDED BY: Councilperson Snyder

VOTE: Councilperson Tim De Graw; Aye, Councilperson Howard Chuntz; Aye, Councilperson Delys Snyder; Aye, (3 Ayes)

11. AWARD BID FOR COLE PARK ELECTRICAL FOR PICKLEBALL COURTS

Matt Marziale stated last council we approved both pickleball courts one at Cole Park and the other at Loafer Complex. In the original bids we shaved off \$58,000 from the bid which was the infrastructure. With that we planned on our crews doing the work. Our crews are extremely busy, so Matt reached out to a couple of local contractors to do the work and Western Utility is willing to get our water lines in place, conduit in place for the pickle ball court lights and standing up the lights. Matt Marziale stated we removed \$58,000 from the bid per set of courts so \$116,000 was removed from bid. Western Utility is willing to do both courts for the total of \$59,000. Matt is looking for the approval tonight to move forward.

MOTION BY: Councilperson Snyder motion to award the bid for the Cole Park Electrical Pickle ball courts to Western Utility for \$59,975.00

SECONDED BY: Councilperson Chuntz

VOTE: Councilperson Tim De Graw; Aye, Councilperson Howard Chuntz; Aye, Councilperson Delys Snyder; Aye, (3 Ayes)

12. AWARD BID FOR ARROWHEAD SUBSTATION CONTROL BUILDING

Ted Barnett stated we are working on getting the additional transformer up and running at Arrowhead. Now we need to build the control building. Ted put it out for bid and we received 3 bids. Bodec \$184,365.00, RME \$ 174,218.00 and Wright Masonry \$122,994. This building will be climate controlled and it will be a 16x32 block building. This is a budgeted item. Jeff Nielson stated a portion can be paid with impact fees. Ted Barnett recommends using Wright Masonry.

MOTION BY: Councilperson De Graw motion to award the bid for the Arrowhead Substation control building to Wright Masonry for \$122,994.00.

SECONDED BY: Councilperson Chuntz

VOTE: Councilperson Tim De Graw; Aye, Councilperson Howard Chuntz; Aye, Councilperson Delys Snyder; Aye, (3 Ayes)

13. AWARD BID FOR POWER DEPARMTENT BUILDING-STRUCTURAL BUILD

Matt Marziale stated we are ready to get the power building standing. We would like to move forward, and we have 3 bids. High Elevation Erectors \$101,781.00, Advance Steel \$114,000.00, CNC Welding \$ \$118,000.00. Matt recommends High Evaluations Erectors at \$101,781.00

MOTION BY: Councilperson Snyder motion to award the bid for the Power Department Building Structure to High Elevation Erectors for \$101,781.00.

SECONDED BY: Councilperson De Graw

VOTE: Councilperson Tim De Graw; Aye, Councilperson Howard Chuntz; Aye, Councilperson Delys Snyder; Aye, (3 Ayes)

14. APPROVE PURCHASE OF TRACK HOE

Matt Marziale stated money has been set assigned for the purchase of the track hoe. The mini x we currently use is on lease. The decision was made that we need to purchase a track hoe and it is a 2020 John Deere D60 excavator. Councilperson De Graw asked how many hours the track hoe has, and Matt Marziale responded 600 hours. Jeff Nielson said we budgeted \$80,000.00.

MOTION BY: Councilperson De Graw motion to approve the purchase of the track hoe for less than \$72,000.

SECONDED BY: Councilperson Snyder

VOTE: Councilperson Tim De Graw; Aye, Councilperson Howard Chuntz; Aye, Councilperson Delys Snyder; Aye, (3 Ayes)

15. APPROVE MINUTES OF JUNE 16, 2021

MOTION BY: Councilperson Chuntz motion to approve the minutes of June 16, 2021.

SECONDED BY: Councilperson Snyder

VOTE: Councilperson Tim De Graw; Aye, Councilperson Howard Chuntz; Aye, Councilperson Delys Snyder; Aye, (3 Ayes)

16. APPROVE BILLS FOR PAYMENT

Mayor Christensen asked about a bill for the RV dump. Jeff Nielson explained the bill was Geneva for the asphalt and Sumsion putting down the asphalt.

AMOUNT: \$1,170,683.43

MOTION BY: Councilperson Snyder motion to approve the bills for payment for the sum of \$1,170,683.43.

SECONDED BY: Councilperson De Graw

VOTE: Councilperson Tim De Graw; Aye, Councilperson Howard Chuntz; Aye, Councilperson Delys Snyder; Aye, (3 Ayes)

Mayor Christensen invited the Miss Salem Royalty to come forward and introduce themselves. Emily Weber introduced herself as Miss Salem and introduced the 2nd attendant Avery Peterson. Emily Weber stated McKenzie Graham the 1st attendant had to leave early. Miss Salem Emily Weber stated they are excited to represent Salem. Mayor Christensen commented the talent at the Miss Salem Pageant this year was amazing. Mayor Christensen thanked them for coming tonight.

17. CHIEF BRAD JAMES, PUBLIC SAFETY DIRECTOR

Chief James stated earlier this spring a committee was formed involving first responders from Salem, Woodland Hills, and Mountain View Hospital, Mountain view ER and Ambulance. This was chaired by Lieutenant Gurney. They were given a task of forming a mock training. On June 24th the mock training was held, and it was realistic. It tested us on response and our ability to triage and transporting individuals. The feedback was great. It involved multiple vehicles and we had about 28-30 patients as a part of the training.

Chief James mentioned Salem Days is coming and he is excited to have the celebration again. Chief James explained the dangers of throwing candy during the parade. He recommends not throwing candy in the parade. Chief James stated we are facing an issue of being crunched at the pond and being able to provide a safe environment to watch the fireworks. Chief James highly encouraged the council to think of our options in regard to the candy and the fireworks. Councilperson De Graw asked about crowd control and Chief James stated he is not referring as much to the crowd control, but more about our ability to

provide spacing between the fireworks and the spectators so they have a safe spot to watch the fireworks. Chief James said we have had injuries in the past and with the growth, the space around the pond becomes challenging. Councilperson De Graw asked about covid. Chief James recommended to watch over the next few weeks and assess the risk.

18. STEVE COX, BUILDING OFFICIAL DIRECTOR

Steve Cox did not have anything to add to tonight's meeting.

19. ATTORNEY VAUGHN PICKELL

Attorney Pickell did not have anything to add to tonight's meeting.

20. JEFFREY NIELSON, CITY FINANCE DIRECTOR/CITY RECORDER

Jeff Nielson stated he is working on closing out the Fiscal Year. Jeff mentioned the auditors will be coming the first week in August. Jeff Nielson commented we have received new audio for the council room.

21. MATT MARZIALE, RECREATION/PUBLIC WORKS DIRECTOR

Matt Marziale stated the Salem Days parade route has changed. It will start at 600 East Canal Road at Loafer Complex and travel along 500 East until Center Street and head west to Main Street and the go around the pond ending at Knoll Park. Matt said the previous route was too small and this new route gives us the ability to spread out the people.

Matt Marziale commented Center Street will be getting work done on Friday, so they will close the road for 24 hours and put the road seal on.

Matt Marziale stated he needs to purchase a side by side. Matt said this is in the budget and it is below the budget this will be for the trails/park's employee. 2016 Tymco.

22. TED BARNETT, ELECTRICAL DIRECTOR

Ted Barnett took a moment and spoke about the UMPA convention. Ted stated he received a lot of insight from around the country and learned about the issues Texas faced in their recent outage. Ted said he attended several seminars. He went to one that was titled "How small utilities navigate change". He was able to relate a lot to what we do here in Salem. We got recognized for volunteering with the lighting up Navajo project with UMPA. We have signed up and several crews will go next spring to help the community.

Councilperson De Graw asked Ted Barnett to bring a proposal to council if we go to the dark sky initiative and update the light fixtures.

23. BRUCE WARD, MANAGER/ENGINEERING

Bruce Ward gave an update on the Landscape incentive, and he stated we are scraping the plan because Central Utah Water Conservancy District will be doing a county wide incentive. It is more in-depth. They will have more money to fund the project. Central Utah Water Conservancy District will not allow any hard scape. This is all about grass and they must replace it with xeriscape.

Bruce Ward showed a graph of the Spanish Fork River and how it flows. We have had a couple of good years and now we are pushing around 55 cubic feet per second. This is becoming a historic low. We are on a five-year low. Next graph Bruce showed is the Salem Canal delivers. Our delivers so far, we have stayed normal. Delivers so far have been good but they are going down.

The drinking water system. The Maple Canyon well is flowing at 1462 gallons per minute, the Lower existing well is flowing at 2516 gallons per minute and the Water Canyon springs is flowing at 191 gallons per minute. This are very much influenced by snowpack. Usually, we see an uptick in August but we the last two years it has not happened. Bruce Ward stated our drinking water is in decent condition.

Pressured irrigation we get from Salem Canal Company, Strawberry Highline Canal, and the contracted water with the BYU well. Rainfall influences our pressurized irrigation availability directly. As the water levels drop our pumps must work harder to lift the water and it will reduce the flow rate.

Salem Growth

Does increased housing growth affect water availability and Bruce Ward commented no, but they are related. The reason he said this is because we require water rights, we require people to pay impact fees and for larger developments we require them to build capital infrastructure. So, as we talk about water and impact fees that is what people pay for to buy into our system. As we continue to grow, the water will come with the growth.

Forecast for drinking water is good right now and we will continue to monitor the drought. Irrigation is really the problem just because the water is not flowing down the river. In the month of May we used 237-acre feet, June 409 acre feet and we are projecting July to be 437-acre feet, in August 475-acre feet and September 443-acre feet. If we keep the water on for two more weeks in October, we will pump about 160-acre feet out of our wells. Bruce Ward mention we have the opportunity to purchase 500 acre-feet of water from CUWCD it will be \$150,000. Over the course of a season, we will lose approximately 400-acre feet. We are charged 2 inches per foot; they make up the losses with the entire company with extra water they add.

Bruce Ward showed a chart of the water we ordered from the highline canal. We are tracking close to 2020. As we order the water, we want 2021 to stay close to previous year, so as we order and use the water, we are not way over ordering or way under ordering the water. We are not doing anything significant to reduce the usage. We now have two months of about 900 citizens with meters. 25% of 900 are using 40-50% of the water. The meters will change the usage.

Bruce Ward stated Salem depends close to a 100% on the Highline canal for delivery. The canal is run by orders, so if it takes 30-40 cubic feet per second to push the water through the canal and if the orders don't reach 30cfs they won't deliver the water. If the orders do not meet the threshold, then the canal is off. The High line had shut down this year is October 1st because they have some major construction projects up stream. The board has been discussing shutting down 10 days early. Bruce Ward stated the board will have a meeting August 4th and then they will notify us. If we want to continue using our wells, we need to reduce the usage. The high line bank does not depend on the snowpack, it depends on a wet spring and saving water to supplement their bank. If everything continues to go downhill as far as the river, we may need to supplement from our well. Bruce Ward stated Attorney Pickell is drafting an ordinance that allows the mayor to implement emergency water restrictions. Other things we can do is add restrictions to planter strip. We could put limits on landscape. There are many ways to landscape a yard. Bruce Ward recommends not to start yards this year and to wait until next year. Councilperson De Graw asked what xeriscape does to our heat island. Bruce Ward stated that depends if it is rocks or plants. Bruce Ward said if things get worse, we can put a 6-month moratorium on building permits and preliminary plats but that can have an impact. The state says you can put on a pause for 6 months, but we must figure out the issue and re-open. Mayor Christensen said we just need to come up with good options. Bruce Ward mentioned the state has been asking us to do escalating rates on power, drinking water and pressurized irrigation has been all but free. Bruce Ward said there is some decisions to be made. As the pi meters are being installed the pressurized irrigation usage is on the utility bills but is not being billed.

24. JOHN BOWCUTT, FIBER

John Bowcutt discussed the fiber employees and would like to hire fulltime temporary position for this project. They will have to sign a document stating they know there may not be position for them when the project is done. John would like to hire Two full time temporary positions with benefits.

COUNCIL REPORTS

25. MAYOR KURT L. CHRISTENSEN

Mayor Christensen did not have anything to add to tonight's meeting.

26. COUNCILPERSON STERLING REES

Councilperson Rees was excused from tonight's meeting.

27. COUNCILPERSON SETH SORENSEN

Councilperson Sorensen was excused from tonight's meeting.

28. COUNCILPERSON HOWARD CHUNTZ

Councilperson Chuntz did not have anything to add to tonight's meeting.

29. COUNCILPERSON DELYS SNYDER

Councilperson Snyder asked how residents can find out about the candidates running for Council. Jeff Nielson showed the profiles and declarations on the City Website. Meet the candidates will be done for the general election.

Councilperson Snyder stated the library got recertified. Our library got 5 benchmarks over 70%.

30. COUNCILPERSON TIM DE GRAW

Councilperson De Graw did not have anything to add to tonight's meeting.

MOTION BY: Councilperson De Graw motion to move into a Closed Session for real property acquisition at 9:06 p.m.

SECONDED BY: Councilperson Chuntz

VOTE: Councilperson Tim De Graw; Aye, Councilperson Howard Chuntz; Aye, Councilperson Delys Snyder; Aye, (3 Ayes)

ADJOURN CITY COUNCIL MEETING

MOTION BY: Councilperson Chuntz motion to Adjourn the City Council Meeting

SECONDED BY: Councilperson Snyder

VOTE: Councilperson Tim De Graw; Aye, Councilperson Howard Chuntz; Aye, Councilperson Delys Snyder; Aye, (3 Ayes)

MEETING ADJOURNED AT: 9:12 p.m.

Jeffrey Nielson, City Recorder