

**MEETING CONVENED AT:** 7:00 p.m.

**CONDUCTING:** Mayor Randy A. Brailsford

**COUNCIL PRESENT:**

Mayor Randy A. Brailsford  
Councilperson Cristy Simons  
Councilperson Aaron Cloward  
Councilperson Soren Christensen  
Councilperson Sterling Rees  
Councilperson Craig Warren Excused

**STAFF PRESENT:**

Jeffrey Nielson, Finance/Recorder  
Junior Baker, City Attorney  
Chief Brad James, Police Chief  
Clark Crook, Power - Excused  
Matt Marziale, PW/Recreation  
David Johnson, Building Dept.  
Allison Taylor

**OTHERS PRESENT**

Paul Young, Talmage Wallace, Drew Johnson, Gavin Johnson, Phillip Nelson, Kelton Young, Lucas Reynolds, Bonnie Young, Evan Ashby, Zane Wilcox, Zac Wilcox, Paul Southam, Dan Higginson, Jon Ward

**1. VOLUNTEER MOTIVATIONAL/INSPIRATIONAL MESSAGE**

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

**2. INVITATION TO SAY PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

A scout, Drew Johnson, 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. PROCLAMATION DECLARING JANUARY 22 – 28, 2017 AS SCHOOL CHOICE WEEK**

Mayor Brailsford read the proclamation.

**MOTION BY:** Councilperson Aaron Cloward to approve the proclamation declaring January 22-28, 2017 as school choice week.

**SECONDED BY:** Councilperson Sterling Rees.

**VOTE:** All Affirmative (4-0).

**4. APPROVE MINUTES OF JANUARY 4, 2017**

**MOTION BY:** Councilperson Cristy Simons to approve minutes of January 4, 2017.

**SECONDED BY:** Councilperson Soren Christensen.

**VOTE:** All Affirmative (4-0).

## **5. APPROVE BILLS FOR PAYMENT**

**AMOUNT:** \$133,549.03

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

**SECONDED BY:** Councilperson Soren Christensen.

**VOTE:** All Affirmative (4-0).

## **6. CHIEF BRAD JAMES, PUBLIC SAFETY DIRECTOR**

Chief Brad James did not have anything to report tonight.

## **7. DAVE JOHNSON, BUILDING OFFICIAL DIRECTOR**

Dave Johnson did not have anything to report tonight.

## **8. ATTORNEY JUNIOR BAKER**

Attorney Junior Baker did not have anything to report tonight.

## **9. JEFFREY NIELSON, CITY FINANCE DIRECTOR/CITY RECORDER**

Jeff Neilson reported on the December 2016 budget. Jeff also reported it is an election year, and he will need to put a notice out in the newsletter and on the web page.

## **10. MATT MARZIALE, RECREATION/PUBLIC WORKS DIRECTOR**

Matt Marziale reported the surplus vehicles have been listed and are up for bid. He stated there was flooding from the recent weather and that they were prepared, they had great volunteers and the crews responded well. It was very appreciated. He feels good about the preparations we are making for spring and possible flooding. A video was taken by John Reed, he is a local photographer and he used a drone to show the flooding. This was played for the council. Mayor Brailsford asked for an update on the recreation building. Matt stated that they have started putting up insulation. They should be putting on the blue roof soon, and that work has been started on storage sheds. Councilperson Soren Christensen asked what happened with lift station by stokes. Matt stated it was overwhelmed with water, they built up a 3 foot raise in dirt around it. They are looking for solutions to bring to the council. Mayor Brailsford stated Chief James had barricades at locations to block roads if needed. The water was right to asphalt on Beet Road (460 West). Matt stated the storm drains are not designed to handle snow and rain like we had. Mayor Brailsford had Bruce go to new sewer property and it was dry.

#### **11. CLARK CROOK, ELECTRICAL DIRECTOR**

Clark Crook was excused tonight.

#### **12. BRUCE WARD, ENGINEERING**

Bruce Ward reported that the Smartwater grant has been submitted. He will keep the council updated.

#### **13. WADE REYNOLDS, STORM DRAIN/SAFETY COORDINATOR**

Wade Reynolds was excused tonight.

### **COUNCIL REPORTS**

#### **14. MAYOR RANDY BRAILSFORD**

Mayor Brailsford reported that Salem City residents Paul Southam and Daniel Higginson of West Mountain Water Company have water that they want to turn over to the city at no cost. That water would be well water and not surface water. The city could then sell the water to developers as they come into Salem, and then the city would pay Paul as the water sells. We would need to revise our ordinance to accept this water, because it originated out of South Jordan, but it has been in West Mountain for seven years now. They wanted to offer the water to Salem first, but if we do not take the water they will sell to another neighboring city. Mayor Brailsford wanted to discuss this with the whole council before they take this offer to other communities. After a brief discussion, the council felt we should move forward with changing the ordinance so we can accept this water. They felt the water would be beneficial to stay in Salem, vs going to another neighboring city. Mayor Brailsford stated two things will need to happen; 1. Attorney Junior Baker will need to change the ordinance 2. Attorney Baker and Paul's attorney will need to write up a contract.

#### **15. COUNCILPERSON STERLING REES**

Councilperson Sterling Rees reported that the power department has been out replacing power poles. The power board hasn't had a meeting since last month, there is a meeting next week.

**16. COUNCILPERSON CRISTY SIMON**

Councilperson Cristy Simons reported that the Chamber of Commerce had its annual Installation Banquet last week. Mayor Brailsford presented the Mayor's Choice Award to Chief Brad James at the banquet. The council congratulated Chief James. Councilperson Simons also reported that she had attended the chamber retreat this morning and they had discussed how to build the chamber in Salem. She asked the council to encourage our business owners to join the chamber.

**17. COUNCILPERSON SOREN CHRISTENSEN**

Councilperson Soren Christensen reported we are entering water meeting season.

**18. COUNCILPERSON AARON CLOWARD**

Councilperson Aaron Cloward did not have anything to report tonight.

**19. COUNCILPERSON CRAIG WARREN**

Councilperson Craig Warren was excused tonight.

**20. CLOSED SESSION- Property**

**MOTION BY:** Councilperson Soren Christensen to go to a closed session for the discussion of Real Property Transaction.

**SECONDED BY:** Councilperson Cristy Simons.

**VOTE:** All Affirmative (4-0).

**ADJOURN CITY COUNCIL MEETING**

**MOTION BY:** Councilperson Soren Christensen to adjourn city council meeting.

**SECONDED BY:** Councilperson Aaron Cloward.

**VOTE:** All Affirmative (4-0).

**MEETING ADJOURNED AT:** 8:30p.m.