

Minutes of the Salem City Council Meeting held on June 1, 2016 in the Salem City Council Chambers.

Work Session 6:00 p.m.

Jeff Nielson went over the final budget for Fiscal Year 2016 and the minor changes from the prior council meeting where the attentive budget was approved.

Bruce Ward from Forsgren Engineering discussed the sewer plant project and the options for it. His recommendation to the council is to get on the agenda for the Utah State Board of Water Quality to discuss with them funding options for doing our own sewer plant.

2016 Miss Salem contestants came and introduced themselves and their platforms. The Miss Salem Pageant will be held on June 11, 2016.

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

STAFF PRESENT:

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

Excused:

OTHERS PRESENT

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

Councilperson Soren Christensen 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. PUBLIC HEARING

Open

MOTION BY: Councilperson Aaron Cloward to open the public hearing.

SECONDED BY: Councilperson Craig Warren.

VOTE: All Affirmative (5-0).

a. Fiscal year 2017

Jeff Nielson reviewed the budget and went over the highlights for Fiscal Year 2017.

General Fund

\$544,802 from last year

- No Property Tax Rate Increase by Truth in Taxation. (Lost Newways to NEBO)
- Sales Tax continues to increase a little.
- Phone Tax down (residents going to smart phones)
- Building steady (Budgeting 75 homes).
- Recreation programs continue to fund themselves.
- New Subdivisions – (Potential of 7 new with 154 total lots).
- Added funds in Salaries for merit increase (based on evaluations).
- Employee health insurance increase of 7%.
- City Office – PT accounts payable/secretary
- Public Works – Funds for new city engineer FT.
- City Shop – Improvements (expanding and new buildings (covers) – money assigned)
- Roads – 400 North Strom Drain Project (money assigned from prior year).
- Recreation New Recreation Facility/Office (DT Ball Park).
- Recreation Program Part-time Employee.
- **Donations of \$300 to Boys & Girls State program, and \$500 Misc.**

Water Fund

(\$163,973) from last year

- No Planned Rate increase in Water Rates.
- 1996 Bond Payment – Paid off last year.
- Employee shuffled around to give water a new employee.
- Funds for replacement of old water meters (Radio Read).
- Possible Water Rights purchasing.
- Transferring/Dividends pay - \$36,000 to General Fund (No Change).
- Transferring \$6,500 for Public Safety Vehicle payments (Fire/Ambulance).
- Transferring \$20,000 to Motor Pool Fund.

Sewer Fund

\$31,371 from last year

- Need of new mechanical sewer plant – Meet state/federal regulations.
- Transferring/Dividends pay \$15,000 to General Fund (No Change).
- Transferring \$6,500 for Public Safety Vehicle payments (Fire/Ambulance)
- Transferring \$16,000 to motor pool fund.

Power Fund

\$374,980 from last year

- UMPA increasing 2.55% to Rate (West Valley Gas Power Plant Purchase)
- Increase Rates – going through a rate study, should be done mid-summer. Apply new rates then.
- Power Dept add one FT employee
- Continue doing improvements on Arrowhead Substation.
- Transferring/Dividends pay \$300,000 to General Fund. (No Change).
- Transferring \$6,500 for Public Safety Vehicle payments (Fire/Ambulance)
- Transferring \$15,000 to Motor Pool

Solid Waste Fund

\$20,026 from last year

- No Increase in Rates
- Republic Services increase of .4%
- SUVSWD eliminated Green Waste
- SUVSWD cost increasing.
- Reviewing Recycling Curb Side Options.
- Transferring/Dividends pay \$19,000 to General Fund (No Change)
- Transferring \$6,500 for Public Safety Vehicle payments (Fire/Ambulance)
- Transferring \$10,000 to Motor Pool

P.I Fund

\$217,530 from last year

- Rate increase went into effect June 2016 utility bill.
- PI Bond payment, having to use revenue to pay for bond, and not I.F. (not enough impact fees to cover full bond payment).
- Putting funds aside for future meters.
- Transferring/Dividends pay \$48,000 to General Fund (No Change)
- Transferring \$6,500 for Public Safety Vehicle payments (Fire/Ambulance)
- Transferring to motor pool \$16,000.

Storm Drain Fund

(\$18,236) from last year

- Purchasing a used street sweeper (part of the regulations that the streets need to be swept)
- Transferring/Dividends pay \$5,000 to General Fund.

- Transferring \$6,500 for Public Safety Vehicle payments (Fire/Ambulance)
- Transferring to motor pool \$12,000.

Mayor Brailsford asked if there were any questions from the council or public on the budget. There were no questions.

b. Amend Fiscal Year 2016

Jeff Nielson requested this item be continued until next council meeting. This will allow him time to close out the month of May for the budget and prepare for a final amendment of fiscal year 2016 budget.

c. Vacate the road at 140 East from 820 South to 850 South

Attorney Junior Baker explained about a year ago we approved the Orchard Farms subdivision and abandoned the 820 South road. We overlooked a portion of 140 East also needed to be abandoned. The developer is ready to move on the phase that 140 East is part of and we need to abandon it so they can proceed.

The question was asked if we should withhold the abandoning of the 140 East until the property with the home and garage is in compliance. The developer was told they had to tear down the garage on the existing home in order to be in compliance. Attorney Baker stated he did not think it would be an issue and we are working with the developer and the attorney on this. He feels it would be okay to vacate the road at this time.

Mayor Brailsford asked if there were any questions from the public or the council. There were no questions.

Close

MOTION BY: Councilperson Craig Warren to close the public hearing for items A and C and to continue the Public Hearing for item B until next council meeting on June 15 at 7:00 p.m.

SECONDED BY: Councilperson Sterling Rees.

VOTE: All Affirmative (5-0).

C. Vacate the road at 140 East from 820 South to 850 South

MOTION BY: Councilperson Sterling Rees to approve the vacating of 140 East from 829 South to 850 South.

SECONDED BY: Councilperson Aaron Cloward.

VOTE: All Affirmative (5-0).

4. APPROVE FISCAL YEAR 2017 BUDGET

Mayor Brailsford asked for a motion to approve the budget as it has been presented for fiscal year 2017.

MOTION BY: Councilperson Soren Christensen to approve the fiscal year 2017 budget.

SECONDED BY: Councilperson Craig Warren

VOTE: All Affirmative (5-0).

5. APPROVE PURCHASE OF POLICE VEHICLES FOR FY 2017

Chief Brad James stated the purchase of two new police vehicles was approved in the budget. He would like to get them ordered before June 20 in order to get the models and the pricing we want, otherwise the pricing will go up. They also will not be here for a few months, when it will be in fiscal year 2017. Chief James then went over the bids for the vehicles: State Bid Larry H. Miller (Provo) - \$33,060, Larry H. Miller (SLC) - \$33,160 and Smith Auto - \$33,837. Chief James recommended purchasing the two 2016 Ford F-150 police vehicles for \$66,120 (\$33,060 each) from Larry H. Miller (Provo).

MOTION BY: Councilperson Aaron Cloward to approve the purchase of the two new police vehicles from Larry H. Miller (Provo) for \$33,060 each and out of FY 2017 budget.

SECONDED BY: Councilperson Sterling Rees.

VOTE: All Affirmative (5-0).

6. APPROVE MINUTES OF MAY 4, 2016

Mayor Brailsford asked for approval of the minutes of May 4, 2016 as written or with any changes.

MOTION BY: Councilperson Soren Christensen to approve the minutes of May 4, 2016 as written.

SECONDED BY: Councilperson Cristy Simons.

VOTE: All Affirmative (5-0).

7. APPROVE BILLS FOR PAYMENT

Mayor Brailsford asked for approval of the bills to be paid tonight. He also stated the amount of the bills.

AMOUNT: \$309,043.02

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

SECONDED BY: Councilperson Soren Christensen.

VOTE: All Affirmative (5-0).

8. CHIEF BRAD JAMES, PUBLIC SAFETY DIRECTOR

Chief James reported the Triathlon went very well, they only had 180 participants. Salem Hills High School graduation also went very well.

9. DAVE JOHNSON, BUILDING OFFICIAL DIRECTOR

Dave Johnson reported there are plenty of building permits and plans he is working on.

10. ATTORNEY JUNIOR BAKER

Attorney Baker did not have anything to report tonight.

11. JEFFREY NIELSON, CITY FINANCE DIRECTOR/CITY RECORDER

Jeff Nielson thanked the Mayor and Council for approve the budget.

12. MATT MARZIALE, RECREATION/PUBLIC WORKS DIRECTOR

Matt Marziale did not have anything to report tonight.

13. CLARK CROOK, ELECTRICAL DIRECTOR

Clark Crook did not have anything to report tonight.

14. ENGINEERING

Bruce Ward from Forsgren Engineering reported 400 North project is moving forward, the construction company, Silver Spur Construction, has all of their documents in place and is ready to go. Bruce also reported on Solid Waste and how the district is still in discussion with NUERA and the purchase of Bayview landfill.

Councilperson Craig Warren stated there will be an important meeting with the South Utah Valley Solid Waste District on June 22 to decide if we as a district want to move forward with the NUERA and becoming a partner with the group for Bayview Landfill, which this district owns.

Bruce Ward also reported the Harvest Ridge subdivision retention pond has now been landscaped and it looks really good. They did however landscape part of the Bureau of Reclamation property (by the Highline Canal), but that has nothing to do with the city.

Also the Harvest Ridge HOA will be maintaining it (mowing the lawn, paying for the water, etc.)

15. WADE REYNOLDS, STORM DRAIN/SAFETY COORDINATOR

Wade Reynolds did not have anything to report tonight.

COUNCIL REPORTS

16. MAYOR RANDY BRAILSFORD

Mayor Brailsford reported the cemetery looked really good for Memorial Day and thanked those involved.

Mayor Brailsford stated he would like to make a switch in the Mount Nebo Water Agency. Currently he sits on the board for that and Councilperson Soren Christensen is the alternate. He would like to switch to have Councilperson Soren Christensen sit on the board and then he would be the alternate. The council was okay with the switch.

17. COUNCILPERSON STERLING REES

Councilperson Sterling Rees reported on June 9 he will be going to the National APPA meetings with the UMPA board members. On June 23 at 7:30 a.m. at the UMPA office, we will have our power rate study presented to the mayor and council. He would invite them to attend. The first part of July, the Provo power plant will begin the demolition of the plant.

18. COUNCILPERSON CRISTY SIMONS

Councilperson Cristy Simons reported the first Summer Concert of the summer will be on June 13th at the Knoll Park stage. The library is getting ready for the Library Auction for Salem Days.

19. COUNCILPERSON SOREN CHRISTENSEN

Councilperson Soren Christensen did not have anything to report tonight.

20. COUNCILPERSON AARON CLOWARD

Councilperson Aaron Cloward reported that baseball season is on its way.

21. COUNCILPERSON CRAIG WARREN

Councilperson Craig Warren stated he would not be able to attend the important meeting for South Utah Valley Solid Waste District on June 22. We need to make sure someone is there. Mayor Brailsford stated he would be able to attend.

22. CLOSED SESSION - Imminent Litigation

MOTION BY: Councilperson Craig Warren to close city council meeting and move into a closed session for discussion of Imminent Litigation

SECONDED BY: Councilperson Aaron Cloward.

VOTE: All Affirmative (5-0).

ADJOURN CITY COUNCIL MEETING

MOTION BY: Councilperson Craig Warren to adjourn city council meeting.

SECONDED BY: Councilperson Aaron Cloward.

VOTE: All Affirmative (5-0).

MEETING ADJOURNED AT: 8:15 p.m.

Jeffrey Nielson, City Recorder