

**AGENDA
CITYOF SALEM
REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING
JULY 17, 2017
6:00 PM**

- I. Call to Order**
- II. Prayer and Pledge of Allegiance**
- III. Presentatio of Petions/Public Comments**
- IV. Mayor’s Report and Presentations**

- V. City Council Action**
 - 1. Consent Agenda
 - a. Approval of Minutes – July 3, 2017 Regular Meeting
 - 2. Approval of Bills Payable
 - 3. Approval of Bids for Resurfacing portions of Lake, Illinois and Baldrige Streets
 - 4. Approval of Purchase of Lawnmowers for Park and Street Departments

- VI. City Manager Report**
- VII. City Attorney Report**
- VIII. Finance Director Report**
- IX. Executive Session**
 - 1. 5 ILCS 120 (2)(c)(1) and (14) – Personnel
 - 2. 5 ILCS 120 (2)©(21) – Review of Minutes

- X. City Council Action**
 - 5. Approval of Executive Session Minutes from May 1, May15 and July 3, 2017
 - 6. Semi-Annual Review of Prior Executive Session Minutes

- XI. City Council Report**
- XII. Adjournment**

Bill Gruen
City Manager

**MINUTES
CITY OF SALEM
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JULY 17, 2017**

I. CALL TO ORDER

The regular City Council meeting of July 17, 2017 was called to order by Mayor Rex Barbee at 6:00 pm.

Council members present:

Councilman Tim Hudspeth
Councilman Nic Farley
Councilman Craig Morton
Councilwoman Sue Morgan
Mayor Rex Barbee

Council members absent: None.

Others present:

City Manager Bill Gruen	City Attorney Mike Jones
City Clerk Bev Quinn	Finance Director Keli Barrow
Chief of Police Sean Reynolds	Economic Development Director Jeanne Gustafson
Deputy Chief of Police Susan Miller	Public Works Director John Pruden
Members of the Public and Media	Asst. Public Works Director Annette Brushwitz

II. PRAYER AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Opening prayer was given by Councilwoman Morgan, followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

III. PRESENTATION OF PETITIONS/PUBLIC COMMENTS - None.

IV. MAYOR’S REPORT AND PRESENTATIONS

Mayor Barbee indicated there are a lot of good things going on in Salem in the near future. The Marion County Fair will be going on July 30 through August 6, the Little League Association has been selected to host the Little League State Tournament the end of this month, and the Jr. American Legion will also be hosting a large tournament. Mayor Barbee added that there will be a lot of new faces in town supporting our hotels, restaurants and businesses.

V. COUNCIL ACTION

- 1. Consent Agenda**
 - a. Approval of Minutes – July 3, 2017 Regular Meeting**

Motion was made by Councilman Farley and seconded by Councilwoman Morgan to approve the consent agenda as presented. Roll call vote: AYES: Councilman Farley, Councilman Morton, Councilman Hudspeth, Councilwoman Morgan, Mayor Barbee. NAYS: None. Motion carried.

2. Approval of Bills Payable

Following discussion, ***motion was made by Councilwoman Morgan and seconded by Councilman Farley to approve the bills payable of 6/29/2017 through 7/14/2017 as presented. Roll call vote: AYES: Councilman Morton, Councilwoman Morgan, Councilman Hudspeth, Councilman Farley, Mayor Barbee. NAYS: None. Motion carried.***

3. Approval of Bids for Resurfacing portions of Lake, Illinois and Baldrige Streets

City Manager Gruen indicated bids were selected for this project, with the low bid coming in from Howell Paving at \$279,081. This bid is slightly over budget, but Fund 18 had almost \$2 million in it, and some projects will come in under bid and some over bid. ***Motion was made by Councilman Morton and seconded by Councilwoman Morgan to approve the bid from Howell Paving in the amount of \$279,080.88 for the resurfacing of portions of Lake, Illinois and Baldrige Streets. Roll call vote: AYES: Councilwoman Morgan, Councilman Hudspeth, Councilman Farley, Councilman Morton, Mayor Barbee. NAYS: None. Motion carried.***

4. Approval of Purchase of Lawnmowers for Park and Street Depts.

Public Works Director Pruden indicated bids were solicited from five companies, with the low bid being received from Duis Sales and Service in the amount of \$17,469.64. Mr. Pruden recommended approval. ***Motion was made by Councilman Hudspeth and seconded by Councilwoman Morgan to approve the purchase of two zero turn mowers for the Parks and Street Departments from Duis Sales and Service in the amount of \$17,469.64. Roll call vote: AYES: Councilman Hudspeth, Councilman Farley, Councilman Morton, Councilwoman Morgan, Mayor Barbee. NAYS: None. Motion carried.***

Mayor Barbee invited Councilwoman Morgan to summarize a meeting she recently participated in with IDOT in Collinsville.

Councilwoman Morgan indicated she, Public Works Director John Pruden and Economic Development Director Jeanne Gustafson met with IDOT officials in Collinsville regarding the City's desire to place welcome signs or do beautification at the entrances to Salem. During the visit, she asked if the City could put signs or paint the underpass pillars. IDOT indicated we could not paint the pillars, or put the City's name on them, but we can stain them and put lights on them. The group also discussed the condition of the grassy areas at the exits and entrances to the interstate. IDOT told them the City can mow it, possibly remove some trees, and they would be particularly supportive of the city planting perennials there, as they attract bumblebees and Monarch butterflies. Councilwoman Morgan indicated the IDOT reps were full of suggestions, and she could not have asked for a nicer or more helpful meeting. Morgan added that the IDOT representatives were very impressed that the City has a Certified Arborist on staff.

VI. CITY MANAGER'S REPORT

Eclipse Events - City Manager Gruen indicated has been working with Jed Casburn of the YMCA to offer some events at the pool the weekend before the eclipse, including a night swim and a night bike ride. Gruen added that he is also working with the Theatre Board on offering a movie.

PKC – City Manager Gruen indicated the PKC is interested in continuing to hold their events in Salem. They like coming here and we like having them. The PKC and City will be working together to determine if we can grow the event.

VII. CITY ATTORNEY REPORT – None.

VIII. FINANCE DIRECTOR REPORT

Finance Director Barrow indicated she has been looking at the City's tax revenues and how Senate Bill 42 will affect us. There will be an additional 2% taken from the City's half-percent sales taxes for "administrative fees", or approximately \$25,000. The State will also be retaining an additional 10% of the City's sales taxes, or approximately \$72,000. Ms. Barrow indicated she is projecting that the City will receive approximately \$97,000 less this fiscal year than we would have prior to the tax changes.

Councilman Farley noted that it appears City Council will need to cut nearly \$100,000 from the FY18 budget. City Manager Gruen responded this is not necessarily true, as things could even out. It may be necessary to do a budget amendment at the end of the year.

IX. EXECUTIVE SESSION

1. 5 ILCS 120(2)(c)(1) and (14) – Personnel
2. 5 ILCS 130(2)(c)(21) – Review of Minutes

Motion was made by Councilman Hudspeth and seconded by Councilman Farley to enter into executive session at 6:20 pm for the purpose of discussing Personnel and closed session minutes. Roll call vote:

AYES: Councilman Farley, Councilman Morton, Councilwoman Morgan, Councilman Hudspeth, Mayor Barbee. NAYS: None. Motion carried.

Return to open session at 7:10 pm.

X. CITY COUNCIL ACTION

5. Approval of Executive Session Minutes from May 1, May15 and July 3, 2017

Motion was made by Councilman Hudspeth and seconded by Councilwoman Morgan to approve the Executive Session minutes of May 1, May 15 and July 3, 2017, and that they remain closed. Roll call vote: AYES: Councilman Morton, Councilwoman Morgan, Councilman Hudspeth, Councilman Farley, Mayor Barbee. NAYS: None. Motion carried.

6. Semi Annual Review of Prior Executive Session Minutes

Motion was made by Councilwoman Morgan and seconded by Councilman Morton to approve Resolution 2017-04 regarding executive session minutes. Roll call vote: AYES: Councilwoman Morgan, Councilman Hudspeth, Councilman Farley, Councilman Morton, Mayor Barbee. NAYS: None. Motion carried.

XI. CITY COUNCIL REPORT

(See Councilwoman Morgan’s report prior to entering Into Executive Session.)

XII. ADJOURNMENT

As there was no further business to discuss, motion was made by Councilman Hudspeth and seconded by Councilwoman Morgan to adjourn the meeting at 7:13 pm. Roll call vote: AYES: Councilman Hudspeth, Councilman Farley, Councilman Morton, Councilwoman Morgan, Mayor Barbee. NAYS: None. Motion carried.

Bev Quinn, CMC
City Clerk

Minutes approved: _____