

CITY OF SALEM IL
REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING
June 20, 2022 – 6:00 PM

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 - 3. Special Use Permit recommendation from Planning Commission for the former Coaches Corner business site.
 - 4. Second reading on changes to ordinance under Ch 7 for East Lawn Cemetery fees and rules.
 - 5. Review of accounts payable for period of May 16 – June 17, 2022

- VI. City Manager and Dept Head Reports**
- VII. City Attorney Report**
- VIII. City Council Member reports**

- IX. Motion to Adjourn**

Rex A. Barbee
City Manager
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Quote for the day –

It is understanding that gives us an ability to have peace. When we understand the other fellow’s viewpoint, and he understands ours, then we can sit down and work out our differences.

Harry S. Truman

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- I. CALL TO ORDER**

The regular June 20, 2022, meeting of the Salem City Council was convened in the Council Chambers of Salem City Hall. The meeting was called to order by Mayor Nic Farley at 6:00 pm.

Council members present:
Mayor Nicholas Farley
Councilman Jim Koehler
Councilman Royce Bringwald
Councilman Craig Morton

Council members absent:
Councilwoman Amy Troutt

Others present:

City Manager Rex Barbee	City Attorney Mike Jones
Public Works Director Annette Sola	Asst. to the Public Works Director Courtney Mitchell
Chief of Police Sean Reynolds	Finance Director Keli Roth
Cindy Eller, Recording Secretary	Economic Development Director Tabitha Meador
Members of the Media and Public	

II. PRAYER AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Councilman Koehler offered the opening prayer, followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

III. PRESENTATION OF PETITIONS/PUBLIC COMMENTS

Susan Jamison, 401 W Lake, approached the City Council to request a street light be placed at the corner of W. Lake and College. Jamison said she had contacted Ameren and they would install the light but needed the City's permission since they pay for the electricity. City Manager Barbee told Jamison that they would take a look at it and put it on the agenda for the next meeting. Jamison also requested riff raff for her ditch to control flooding. Mayor Farley stated he was concerned about the cost and in setting a precedence.

IV. MAYOR'S REPORT AND PRESENTATIONS

Mayor Farley reported that he recently attended Body Cam Training Demo in Springfield with Chief Reynolds and several other law enforcement officials. Mayor Farley reported he was very impressed with the new technology and would like see these implemented at least one (1) year prior to the mandate.

V. CITY COUNCIL ACTION

1. Consent Agenda

(a) Approval of Minutes – June 6, 2022

Motion was made by Councilman Bringwald and seconded by Councilman Koehler to approve the minutes of June 6, 2022, as presented. Roll call vote: AYES: Councilman Bringwald, Councilman Morton, Councilman Koehler and Mayor Farley. NAYS: None. Motion carried.

2. Swearing in of Blake Phillips as Sergeant for the Salem Police Department.

Mayor Nic Farley stated Blake Phillips had been on the Police Force since 2014 and he was pleased to work with him and glad to see him move up the ranks. Mayor Farley then swore in Blake Phillips as Sergeant for the Salem Police Department while Chief Reynolds held the bible.

3. Special Use Permit recommendation from Planning Commission for the former Coaches Corner business site.

Mayor Farley stated the Planning Commission, at their June 14, 2022, had voted unanimously to recommend the City Council approval of the Special Use Permit for Lisa Erlinger to develop a single-family dwelling unit in the second story of a commercial building located at 115 W Main. Mayor Farley stated he feels this fits in with the plan to revitalize the downtown area and would recommend approving this Special Use permit.

Motion was made by Councilman Koehler and seconded by Councilman Bringwald to approve the Special Use Permit for a single-family dwelling on the second floor of 115 W. Main, Salem. AYES: Councilman Morton, Councilman Koehler, Councilman Bringwald and Mayor Farley. NAYS: None. Motion carried.

4. Second reading on changes to ordinance under Ch 7 for East Lawn Cemetery fees and rules.

Mayor Farley stated he still had questions regarding the changes in the ordinance for the Cemetery and would like to see the motion tabled until these could be answered. Mayor Farley indicated that he was getting questions from citizens and feels there need to be a better understanding of the changes. Public Works Director Annette Sola stated there was no rush to make changes and would give people time to adapt to any changes. Sola requested any questions be submitted to her and that things were completely out of hand and something has to change.

Motion was made by Councilman Morton and seconded by Councilman Koehler to table this until the next regular Council meeting. Roll call vote: AYES: Councilman Koehler, Councilman Bringwald, Councilman Morton and Mayor Farley. NAYS: None. Motion carried.

5. Accounts Payable Review for Period of May 16, 2022 through June 17, 2022. Following review, motion was made by Councilwoman Bringwald and seconded by Councilman Koehler to approve the accounts payable for Mayr 16, 2022 through June 17, 2022. Roll call vote: AYES: Councilman Bringwald, Councilman Morton, Councilman Koehler and Mayor Farley. NAYS: None. Motion carried.

VI. CITY MANAGER AND DEPARTMENT HEAD REPORTS

City Manager Barbee-

- Thanked the Public Works Department for their efforts after the storm damage and the Pool Staff for the efforts to keep the pool up and running smoothly. Barbee added that Missoula was going on this week at the Theatre and reminded everyone that next Tuesday is the Primary election.

Finance Director Roth- no report.

Economic Development Director Meador -

- Reported they are starting a promotion this week for the upcoming July 4th celebration in the park which includes a 5-band line up and food trucks for 5 ½ hours prior to the fireworks.

Director of Public Works Sola-

- Reported bids were opened for the Whittaker Street Project and will update the Council when she knows more as the opening was at IDOT in Collinsville. Also, waiting on materials for the Kell Street water line as well as working on bids for the Broadway waterline project. Sola noted the park had been cleaned for the upcoming July 4th festivities and would be spraying for mosquitos the next two Fridays. Sola indicated that July 5 is the first date set to begin street oiling. Sola indicated she is hopeful the new shelter will be installed in the park soon.

Police Chief Reynolds - no report.

VII. CITY ATTORNEY REPORT – no report.

VIII. CITY COUNCIL REPORTS

- Councilman Koehler asked if limbs would be picked up after the storm on Friday. Public Works Director Sola indicated limbs would be picked up if they were in manageable bundles or limbs could be burned between 8 am and 4 pm.

IX. MOTION TO ADJOURN

Motion was made by Councilman Morton and seconded by Councilman Koehler to adjourn the meeting at 6:40 pm. Roll call vote: AYES: Councilman Bringwald, Councilman Morton, Councilman Koehler and Mayor Farley. NAYS: None. Motion carried.

Cindy Eller
Recording Secretary

Minutes approved: _____