

**CITY OF SALEM IL
REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING
May 2, 2022 – 6:00 PM**

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

- V. City Council Action**
 - 1. Consent Agenda
 - (a) Approval of Minutes – April 18, 2022
 - 2. Authorization to close Avenue of Flags account.
 - 3. Discussion on garbage contract surcharge
 - 4. Discussion on adjusting Gaming Machine Fee Structure
 - 5. Sale of Real Estate – bid opening

- VI. City Manager and Dept Head reports**
- VII. City Attorney Report**
- VIII. City Council member reports**
- IX. Executive Session –**
 - a. 5 ILCS 120/2 (c) (6) - Sale of Real Estate
 - b. 5 ILCS 120/2 (c) (21) - Review of prior executive session minutes for 3/21/22 and 4/4/22
- X. City Council Action after Executive Session**
 - a. Sale of Real Estate
 - b. Approval of Executive Session Minutes – 3/21/22 and 4/04/22

- XI. Motion to Adjourn**

Rex A. Barbee
City Manager

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Quote of the Day –

Change is inevitable. Change will always happen, but you have to apply direction to change, and that’s when it’s progress.

Doug Baldwin

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1. Review and approval of minutes from public hearing and regular session of Council meeting held on April 18, 2022. Recommend approval.
2. The Avenue of Flags checking account was comprised of funds raised to purchase a number of flags to be displayed on Main and Broadway at key holidays. The funds raised have all been expended and we are requesting authorization to close the checking account.
3. Our trash hauler, DBS Services Inc. has requested additional funds to offset rising fuel costs, transfer station fees and upkeep on equipment costs. DBS was looking to charge an additional \$1.00 per household per month. The number of residential units being served at this point in the contract is at 2693. The current residential fee for garbage covers the bid cost of the trash contract and additional funds to offset costs for landfill testing and permits. I would suggest a time limit on any surcharge authorized.
4. A recent change in state statute allows the municipality to charge a larger fee on an annual basis per gaming machine. The state of Illinois set the initial annual fee per video gaming terminal at \$25. At the end of last year, however, Gov. Pritzker signed an amendment allowing non-home rule municipalities like Salem to raise the fee up to \$250 per terminal.
5. A local realtor has indicated that his client is interested in submitting an offer to purchase a 23 acre +/- tract of ground on the west side of town, currently designated as the site for the proposed soccer complex. The client is looking to develop an industrial type use on the property and could see as many as 30 jobs in the initial phase of operations.