

**CITY OF SALEM IL  
REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING  
March 6, 2023 – 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 – February 21, 2023
  - 2. Review of bids for chemicals for the Salem Water Treatment Plant and awarding of bid.
  - 3. Review of bid results on rock and sand for public works activities and awarding of the bid.
  - 4. Review of bid opening for water line project along South Broadway.
  - 5. Closure of Police Pension Fund Account with Edward Jones.
  - 6. Authorization to install new fencing at the dog park in Bryan Park.
  - 7. Request to hold a 5K race in Bryan Memorial Park on April 22.
  - 8. Mayoral appointment for Department of Emergency Management
  
- VI. City Manager and Dept Head Reports**
- VII. City Attorney Report**
- VIII. City Council Member Report**
- IX. Motion to Adjourn**

Rex A. Barbee  
City Manager

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*Quote of the Day –*

**Sam Houston:** You will remember this battle! Each minute! Each second!  
Until the day that you die! But that is for tomorrow, gentlemen. For  
today, Remember the Alamo!

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1. Consent agenda – Approval of minutes of the February 21, 2023 Salem City Council meeting. **Recommend approval of the minutes as presented from February 20th, 2023.**
2. Bids were requested for chemicals to be used at the Salem Water Treatment Plant. Bids were requested for both Soda Ash and for chlorine. Three companies provide bids on the chemicals based on specifications provided none of which are from Marion County. Brenntag Mid-South, Inc. was the low bidder for the soda ash at \$16.00 per 50# bag with 100 bags per pallet. DPC Enterprises, was the low bidder on the liquid chlorine at \$2,140.00 per ton. **Recommend awarding the bids to the two low bidders in the process, with the Soda Ash going to Brenntag Mid-South, Inc. at \$16.00 per 50# bag and to D.P.C. Enterprises on the liquid Chlorine at \$2,140.40 per ton.**
3. Bids for Rock and Sand were also opened with three contractors submitting bids. Beelman Logistics was the low bidder for the FA1 sand quantities at \$16.38 per ton. Walsh Farms Trucking was the low bidder on CA6 rock at \$15.30 per ton. **Recommending awarding the bids for rock and sand as follows; Beelman Logistics on the bid for FA1 sand at \$16.38 per ton and Walsh Farms Trucking on the CA6 rock at \$15.30 per ton.**
4. Bids were opened for the water line replacement project on South Broadway from Main Street to Kell Street with 3 vendors providing bids on the project. Roger Mensing of Curry & Associates assisted in preparing the bid specs and attending the bid opening. The low bidder on the project was J.K. Trotter and Sons at \$689,030. This project is being funded with ARPA funds. **Recommending approval of the bid from JK Trotter and Sons for the water line project along South Broadway Ave. in the amount of \$689,030.00.**
5. The State of Illinois has chosen to consolidate Police Pension funds throughout the state and combined those funds into larger pools to try to increase the return on the investments. The local Police Pension board has approved the closure of the account and we are asking the Council to acknowledge the need to close the account as well. **Recommend the approval to close the Police Pension Fund Account with Edward Jones Investment Firm.**
6. Public Works is requesting authorization to move forward with the purchase and installation of new fencing at the dog park. The new fencing sections will separate the area into a large and small dog portions as the diagram showed at the last Council meeting. The fencing will be installed by Public Works crews to minimize the cost of the project. Total cost is \$16,607.01. **Recommending approval of the purchase of materials and installation of the new fence.**

7. Kelly Thompson of Evergreen Christian Church is requesting permission to host a 5K race on April 22<sup>nd</sup> in the area of Bryan Memorial Park. The race will take place in the morning of April 22<sup>nd</sup>. **Recommending approval of the use of City Property for the 5K race by Evergreen Christian Church as a fundraiser on April 22, 2023.**
8. Mayor Farley has reviewed the applicants for the position as the Director for the Department of Emergency Management (DOEM), and will announce his proposed applicant for the position. **Recommending ratification of the Mayoral appointment for the Director of the Department of Emergency Management.**