

CITY OF SALEM
REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING
February 1, 2021 – 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. City Council Minutes – request approval for 1-18-2021 minutes
 - 2. Request for increasing the weight limit on a portion of West Mills Cart Rd and N. Missouri Ave for egress from the proposed UcamP RV park by Sam Phillips.
 - 3. Request for increasing the number of Class G liquor licenses to allow for a Gambling Parlor to be established next to the Zone Fitness Center in Westgate Shopping Center.
 - 4. IDOT/Little Egypt Golf Cars/Gonzalez Companies, LLC services agreement.
 - 5. Request for purchase of a water treatment plant mixer with installation from C & C Pumps and Supply from Marion IL.
 - 6. Request authorization to enter into agreement with Archive Social for retention of social media transactions.
 - 7. Discussion of plans for July 4th Celebration for 2021.

- VI. **City Manager Report with Department head updates**
- VII. **City Attorney Report**
- VIII. **City Council Members Report**
- IX. **Motion to Adjourn**

Rex A. Barbee
City Manager

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Quote of the Day - The quality of a person’s life is in direct proportion to their commitment to excellence, regardless of their chosen field of endeavor. - Vince Lombardi.

PLEASE NOTE:

The City Council meeting will be held **IN PERSON** at Salem City Hall, 101 S. Broadway, Salem, IL 62881.

Please wear a mask and observe social distancing.

Thank you.

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1. Request approval of minutes from the prior Council meeting of 1-18-2021.
2. Sam and Becky Phillips are proposing to construct an RV Park for travelers at the southeast corner of Missouri Avenue and West Mills Cart Rd. Their site would route traffic into the lot off of Missouri and exit onto Mills Cart Rd. back to Missouri. The road in the area had previously had a weight restriction put in place to deter semi-truck and trailer traffic from driving down Missouri Ave looking for an exit. The weight restriction is 10,000 pounds which is less than some existing motor homes and campers. Sam is requesting the weight limit be raised to accommodate his RV traffic.
3. Kevin Willis is one of the owners of the Zone fitness center in the former Bandy's location in Westgate Shopping Center. He is interested in occupying the building next to the fitness center in the former beauty salon and is requesting a Class G Liquor License to allow him to convert the space into a Gaming Parlor. We currently have no Class G licenses available.
4. Gonzalez Companies LLC has provided an agreement with IDOT for work on the engineering for the construction of the roadway for Little Egypt Golf Cars. This is part of a grant made available through IDOT and their EDP program. The funding for their services would come from the grant funds and from Little Egypt Golf Cars as part of the matching funds protocol. The grant is being processed through the City of Salem and the Council is asked to approve the agreement so it can be returned to IDOT. Requesting approval.
5. The Salem Water Plant has a mixer that is used to mix the chemicals with the raw water to make it potable for our use. The existing pump has been in place since 1977 and is showing signs of pending failure. We are requesting permission to purchase a replacement mixer from C & C Pump Supply out of Marion IL. They have been a provider of parts and labor for the water plant in the past and are a trusted vendor. The cost of the replacement pump is \$17,400 with an additional \$1,780 for installation. This expense was not a budgeted item. Requesting approval.
6. In recent months we have made improvements in our social media ordinance to provide uniformity and some protection to the City. One of the areas that needs to be addressed is the retention of posts made to the sites. Currently the sites are being saved at the end of the day, but any post made to the site in the morning and deleted by the user in the afternoon would not be archived in our current format. We have met with Archive Social who has a program that would capture all of the posts made to the sites and archive them for future reference. The cost for their service on an annual basis is \$4,788.00 from May 1 – April 30 with a prorated cost from now to May of \$1,596.00.
7. The 4th of July will fall on a Sunday this year. We added a free concert at the band stage and invited some food trucks to provide refreshments to attendees this past year and the program seemed to be very well received. We are asking for some direction from Council on what they would like to see proposed so that we can make arrangements and get things set up for the holiday.