

CITY OF SALEM
REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING
July 17, 2023 – 6:00 PM

- I. Call to Order**
- II. Pledge of Allegiance and Prayer**
- 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 07-03-2023 minutes
 - 2. Request for resolution to show support of Broadband internet for all residents and areas of Marion County IL.
 - 3. Request for approval of the purchase of a replacement gas meter for the Gas Plant line serving Radiac Abrasives.
 - 4. Review and approval of accounts payable lists for the period of June 19 through July 15, 2023.

- VIII. City Manager Report with Department Head Updates**
- IX. Executive Session**
 - a. **5 ILCS 120/2 (c)(21) Minutes**
- X. Council Action After Executive Session (continued)**
 - 5. Action on the minutes from prior Executive Session for 6/19/2023
 - 6. Approval of Resolution 2023-05 Semi-Annual Review of Closed Session Minutes
- XI. City Attorney Report**
- XII. City Council Members Report**
- XIII. Motion to Adjourn**

Rex A. Barbee
City Manager
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Quote of the Day –

Nothing is impossible. The word itself says “I’m possible”
Audrey Hepburn

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1. Consent Agenda – Council members have been provided with a copy of the minutes from the prior Council meeting held on July 3, 2023. **Recommending approval of the minutes of July 3, 2023 as presented.**
2. Marion County is requesting the City of Salem show support for a broadband internet access to rural areas of Illinois. The Broadband enables more activity on the internet and there is a push to make it accessible to all of the County areas. Enclosed you will find a resolution in support of the expansion of broadband service to the rural and other portions of Marion County.
3. One of the commercial gas meters that is in place for service to Radiac Abrasives is in need of replacement. The existing meter was installed about 4 years ago and has a sealed system that prohibits repairs. The meter typically requires some lubricant material be injected periodically to keep moving parts in good working order. There is apparently a seal that is leaking which allows the injection of the lubricant to pass into the gas line and therefore the parts are not being lubricated and the gas servicing Radiac has small quantities of the lubricant that could be construed as contaminant. The cost of a replacement meter with installation would be as follows, Replacing the meter with the same style of meter, a Dresser Roots Rotary Meter, with installation would cost \$16,000.00. Lead time on the acquisition of the meter and installation would be about 20 weeks. Moving to the upgraded Ultrasonic Meter which doesn't have the same moving parts and need for lubrication, with installation would have a cost of \$25,000.00. Lead time on acquisition of this style of Commercial meter is estimated at 2 weeks. This is an unexpected replacement as the existing unit is only about 4 years old but has no warranty in place and this replacement meter is therefore not a budgeted item. Time is of the essence in replacing the existing faulty meter and keeping Radiac supplied with gas. **Recommendation - to authorize the purchase of the Sick Ultrasonic gas meter with installation at a cost of \$25,000.00.**
4. Review and approval of the Accounts Payables for the period of June 19 through July 15, 2023. Attached is the itemized list of accounts payable for the City of Salem for the stated period. Council has an opportunity to ask questions on any item in the list. **Recommend approval of the Accounts Payable list as provided.**
5. Action on Closed Session minute of 6/19/23
6. The City Clerk has updated the lists of closed session minutes. **Recommend approval of Resolution 2023-05 Semi-Annual Review of Closed Session Minutes**