

CITY OF SALEM
REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING
December 7, 2020 – 6:00 PM (via Zoom)

- 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 11-16-2020 minutes
 - 2. Review of proposal for possible utility cost increase in garbage and leaf vac fees for residents.
 - 3. Review of bid proposals for new skid steer with attachments
 - 4. First reading of a Social Media Policy.
 - 5. Opening of sealed bid for tract of land in Salem Industrial Park.

- VI. City Manager Report with Department head updates**
- VII. City Attorney Report**
- VIII. City Council Members Report**
- IX.**
- X. Request for Executive Session**
 - 1. 5 ILCS 120/2(c)(6) – Sale of Real Estate on Industrial Site tract
- X. Return from Executive Session for any action taken by Council**

- IX. Motion to Adjourn**

Rex A. Barbee
City Manager
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Quote of the Day - Leaders inspire themselves and others to do, be, give and become more than they ever thought possible. – Tony Robbins

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1. Consent agenda requested on prior council meeting minutes.
2. The new garbage contract was approved at the November 16 Council meeting. The new residential garbage contract has an increase in the fee per residence of \$0.75 that the City has to pay. No increase in fees have been passed along to the residents in recent years with the City relying on a dwindling surplus to cover the extra cost. In addition, the leaf vac fee has not been increased in recent years even though the annual cost of maintaining the program have increased annually, (Leaf Vac has not been increased since it was started in 1989 and garbage was last increased in 2009 with a \$3.00/month increase). The Council is being asked to consider an increase in monthly fees for residential garbage pick up in the amount of \$1.00 and the leaf vac cost of \$0.45 per month for a total increase of \$1.45 per residence. This increase will not cover all of the projected shortfall but will help limit the amount transferred from the general fund. Requesting approval.
3. Public Works has requested bids on a new skid steer with additional attachments including a rotating broom and a rake to be used by the water/sewer department from 12 vendors and provided minimum specs for the bid. There were three bidders for the equipment specified. The low bid meeting these specifications came from Bobcat of St. Louis in the amount of \$53,884.76 without ala carte items. This is a budgeted item and the overall cost is below budget. Requesting approval.
4. Prior City Council reviewed a proposed Social Media Policy back in 2011, but did not take any action to adopt the policy. Recent reviews on the topic relate to the need and process to retain archival copies of all of the Facebook posts and web-page entries. The proposed updated policy is available for a first reading and any questions the Council may have. A second reading could be on the agenda for December 21st.
5. We have received a sealed bid for a tract in the Salem Industrial Park complex. The bid will be disclosed in open session with an opportunity to discuss the price offered in closed executive session and possible action after coming out of closed session.