

Agenda
City of Salem
Regular City Council Meeting
November 21, 2016
6:00 PM Regular Session

- I. Call to Order & Roll Call**
- 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 – November 7, 2016
 - 2. Approval of Bid for Purchase/Installation of Boat Dock
 - 3. Approval of Acceptance of Armory Eagle, Selection of Location for Placement
 - 4. Discussion on Acquisition of Armory Property After Demolition
 - 5. Approval of Property Tax Levy for 2017 Collections
 - 6. Approval of Resolutions Abating Taxes: (A) 2009 Series Bond; and (B) WWTP Bond
 - 7. Discussion/Approval of Purchases Related to Bryan Park Trail
 - 8. Approval of Agreement with Rhutasel for MFT-Related Services, IDOT Motor Fuel Tax Resolution
 - 9. Discussion on Contracting for Operation of Pool in FY18/2017 Season; YMCA Agreement
 - 10. Approval of Bills Payable

- VI. City Manager Report**
- VII. City Attorney Report**
- VIII. Finance Director Report**
- IX. City Council Report**
- X. Executive Session**
 - 1. 5 ILCS 120/2 (c)(11) – Litigation
 - 2. 5 ILCS 120/2 (c)(6) – Sale of Real Estate
 - 3. 5 ILCS 120/2 (c)(1) – Personnel

- XI. Adjournment**

Bill Gruen
City Manager

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MANAGER'S COMMENTS

V. City Council Action

2. **Approval of Bid for Purchase/Installation of Boat Dock:** We have received bids for replacement boat dock at the reservoir. Bid specs were developed and reviewed by HMG. Low bid comes from G&H Marine of Decatur in the amount of \$21,865. The FY17 budget includes \$20,000 for the boat dock. We have/will spend \$2,200 with HMG for services related to development of a spec for the dock and for bidding services. Recommend approval.

3. **Approval of Acceptance of Armory Eagle, Selection of Location for Placement:** I have received an *initial*, positive response from the State of Illinois regarding granting an eagle to Salem. ***This is not a final response, however.*** If the official answer remains “yes,” there are some matters to settle:
 - A. Where should the eagle go? Options include somewhere in Bryan Park, adjacent to Bryan Garden/Statue, American Legion, next to the Veterans’ Memorial.

 - B. How will the eagle be displayed? How will display be paid for? Consideration should be given to delegating decision on manner of display to Historical Commission. The eagle may weigh as much as +/- 5,000 pounds. Shores Builders has indicated they would construct a pedestal. I recommend cost of the pedestal construction would come from Fund 20/Video Gaming.

4. **Discussion on Acquisition of Armory Property After Demolition:** I am interested in having the City acquire the Armory property after demolition. There is interesting in giving the property to the City. The City would acquire the property to create/market lots for residential development. Some property, if too small to develop, I would propose to give to adjacent property owners. Costs to the City may include a little site work and surveying services to create lots. I’d like to encourage discussion on this idea towards an end that the City Council approves receiving this property.

5. **Approval of Property Tax Levy for 2017 Collections:** Total tax levy ***before abating for bonds*** totals \$1,830,430. I request approval.

6. **Approval of Resolutions Abating Taxes:** Two resolutions abating a total of \$629,994 are recommended for approval.

7. **Discussion/Approval of Purchases Related to Bryan Park Trail:** The Trail project is for the most part completed. I'd like to get some approval/feedback on a matter related to the proximity of the trail in relation to the street in a couple of places. I've asked for Shores Builders to quote a price for the installation of wooden posts to separate the trail from the road. Price as quoted was \$500 per post. Perhaps 12 posts are needed for the trail. Another idea is to install an aluminum guard rail. Does the Council have another suggestion or preference?

Paint will be applied at crosswalks and rip rap installed at culverts and where the trail forms a bank, cost for which totals \$3,300 for both items.

8. **Approval of...MFT:** I request approval of agreements with Rhutasel & Associates and with IDOT totaling \$140,000 to implement our MFT program for 2017. \$135,600 would purchase materials and about \$3,960 would cover cost of professional services for Rhutasel. Last year the City Council approved \$140,500 for MFT in 2016.
9. **Discussion on Contracting for Operation of Pool in FY18/2017 Season; YMCA Agreement:** Information and commentary on YMCA and contracting for operation of the pool is provided in a separate set of documents.
10. **Approval of Bills Payable:** I'll take any questions you have.