

Note: Regular Meeting of April 4, 2011 was Rescheduled for April 7, 2011 due to power outage.)

**AGENDA  
CITY OF SALEM  
REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING  
MONDAY, APRIL 4, 2011  
6:00 P.M.**

- I. Call to Order**
- II. Prayer and Pledge of Allegiance**
- III. Approval of Minutes:** Budget Workshop March 18, 2011  
Regular Meeting of March 21, 2011
- IV. Presentation of Petitions and Public Comments**
- V. Mayor's Report and Presentations**
- VI. City Council Action**
  - 1. Request for Permission/Use of Bryan Park – Marion County Tea Party - April 10, 2011 from 2:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m. Request includes sale of Tea Party items and musical band.
  - 1. Request for Permission to use and inform the Council of how the roadways will be utilized in the city of Salem for the Salem Summer Sprint Triathlon on Sunday, June 5, from Shawn and Kerri Richards/Salem Summer Sprint Triathlon Directors for the Salem Swordfish Swim Team
  - 2. Request from Scott Steward, SCHS Athletic Director, for use of Tully Park softball field, restrooms, score booth and concession stand for spring 2011 softball season.
  - 3. Consideration of Reducing Costs of Public Aid Burial of Cremations from \$250.00 to \$125.00, and Increasing the Number of Cremations Buried per Space – 3 to 8
  - 4. Resignation of Zoning Board of Appeals Member – Sharon Woodward
  - 5. Ordinance – First Reading – Amending Chapter 2, Sec. 2-59 regarding the marking of all city owned motor vehicles for identification purposes.
  - 6. Ordinance – First Reading – Amending Chapter 2, by repealing Sec. 181 through Sec. 185 and replacing them with a new City of Salem Controlled Substance Use and Alcohol Abuse Program.
- VII. City Manager Report**
- VIII. City Attorney Report**
- IX. City Council Report**
- X. Adjournment**

Thomas F. Christie  
City Manager

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**MEMORANDUM**

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April 5, 2011

TO: WJBD Radio  
Salem Times Commoner  
Centralia Sentinel  
Marion County Observer  
US Sonet  
Mayor and City Council  
City Manager  
City Attorney  
Department Directors

From: Jane Marshall, City Clerk

**NOTICE OF RE-SCHEDULED  
REGULAR MEETING  
OF SALEM CITY COUNCIL**

PURSUANT TO THE OPEN MEETINGS ACT, notice is hereby given that the Regular City Council meetings originally scheduled for Monday, April 4, 2011 has been rescheduled for 6:00 p.m. on **Thursday, April 7, 2011**, in the Council Chambers of Salem City Hall, 101 South Broadway, Salem, Illinois.

Please refer to the April 4, 2011 Agenda that was previously published.

**CITY OF SALEM, ILLINOIS**

Jane Marshall, CMC  
City Clerk

Dated this 5<sup>th</sup> day of April, 2011

**MINUTES  
CITY OF SALEM  
RE-SCHEDULED REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING  
APRIL 7, 2011  
6:00 P.M.**

**I. CALL TO ORDER**

The Salem City Council met in regular session on Thursday, April 7, 2011, at the hour of 6:00 p.m. in the Council Chambers of Salem City Hall; meeting of April 4, 2011 was rescheduled due to electric power outage. The meeting was called to order by Mayor Leonard Ferguson.

**Council Members present upon roll call:**

Councilman Kip Meador	Councilman Steve Huddlestun
Councilman David Black	Mayor Leonard E. Ferguson
Councilman Tom Carr	

**Others Present:**

City Manager Thomas F. Christie	Recreation Director Sherry Daniels
City Attorney Michael R. Jones	Assistant to the City Manager Bev West
City Clerk Jane Marshall	Chief of Police Ron Campo
Public Works Director John Pruden	Economic Dev Director Tracey McDaneld
Finance Director Jane Brown	Executive Assistant Natalie Wright
DOEM Director Terry Mulvany	Code Enforcement Officer Brad Crow

Media: Salem Times Commoner, WJBD Radio, Centralia Sentinel; US Sonet and Marion County Observer, along with several members of the public  
Councilman-elect Royce Bringwald and Mayor-elect John Raymer were also in the audience.  
Absent: Library Director Kim Keller

**II. PRAYER AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

Opening prayer led by Councilman Carr, followed by the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

**III. APPROVAL OF MINUTES - 3/18/11 - Budget Workshop; 3/21/11 - Regular Meeting**

Minutes of the Budget Workshop of March 18, 2011 were provided for Council review.

Minutes of the Regular Council Meeting of March 21, 2011 were presented. Councilman Black requested a correction be made in City Council Reports, Councilman Black's report, change "the City Manager *found* that Black did not have the budget figures" the wording "*found*" to "*thought*". **Councilman Black moved and Councilman Huddlestun seconded the motion to approve the minutes of Regular Meeting of March 21, 2011 as amended to and waive the reading. Roll call vote. AYES: Councilmen Meador, Huddlestun, Black and Mayor Ferguson. Abstain: Councilman Carr NAYS: None. Motion carried.**

**IV. PRESENTATION OF PETITIONS AND PUBLIC COMMENTS –**

1. **Removal of Agenda Item #4** - City Manager Christie asked that Agenda Item #4 - Consideration of Reducing Costs of Public Aid Burial of Cremations from \$250.00 to \$125.00, and Increasing the Number of Cremations Buried per Space – 3 to 8 be removed from the Agenda because Larry Rogers/Rogers-Atkins Funeral Home has requested that this item be held for future meetings.
2. Tim Donoho representing the Salem Soccer Association distributed a letter from the association updating Council on their request for a soccer complex. The letter stated they still feel that Tully Park would be the best choice for a soccer complex because it would bring the City program, the Junior High Program, and the High School program as well as surrounding area tournaments together at one facility. It further stated that they are exploring other field possibilities, and that the First Christian Church fields appear to be available for several years; however due to the rapid expansion of soccer in Salem, the need for additional fields is getting stronger. They request that any final decision for Tully Park be held off until June as originally suggested by the Council. Mr. Donoho thanked Councilman Meador for giving them a lead on another location for the soccer complex. He further advised that the association is currently holding fundraisers and has already raised some funds.
3. Mayor Ferguson introduced Councilman-elect Royce Bringwald, who was in the audience. He also recognized Mayor-elect John Raymer as he came in later in the meeting.

**V. MAYOR'S REPORT AND PRESENTATIONS**

Mayor Ferguson read a portion of a letter dated April 5, 2011 from Mary and Jack Jensen thanking Public Works Director Pruden, Darrell Crippen and Damon Sullens for fixing their culvert on North Rotan Street.

**VI. CITY COUNCIL ACTION**

**1. Request for Permission/Use of Bryan Park – Marion County Tea Party - April 10, 2011 from 2:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m. Request includes sale of Tea Party items and musical band.**

City Manager Christie presented a request from the Marion County Tea Party for permission from Council for use of Bryan Park from 2:00 pm – 4:00 pm on April 10, 2011, including a musical band and to sell tea party items. He reported that they have used City property before and have never had any thing that would cause us concern; he recommended approval. **Councilman Black moved and Councilman Meador seconded the motion to approve the request from the Marion County Tea Party to use Bryan Memorial Park, Shelter #2 and the band stage on April 10, 2011 from 2:00 p.m. – 4:00 p.m. Roll call vote. AYES: Councilmen Huddlestun, Black, Carr, and Meador. NAYS: None. Motion carried.**

**2. Request for Permission to use and inform the Council of how the roadways will be utilized in the city of Salem for the Salem Summer Sprint Triathlon on Sunday, June 5, from Shawn and Kerri Richards/Salem Summer Sprint Triathlon Directors for the Salem Swordfish Swim Team**

Kerry Richards, representing the Salem Summer Sprint Triathlon and Salem Swordfish Swim Team addressed this request and answered questions. Chief Campo advised that he has met with the Richards and are satisfied with their route and how they are going to staff it. City Manager Christie commented that Director Daniels has OK'd the use of the Aquatic Center and he and Director Daniels recommends approval. Mrs. Richards advised they are expecting a large number of people to be involved in this event. **Councilman Black moved and Councilman Carr seconded the motion to approve the request for the Salem Summer Sprint Triathlon event on June 5, 2011. Roll call vote. AYES: Councilmen Black, Carr, Meador, and Huddlestun. NAYS: None. Motion carried.**

**3. Request from Scott Steward, SCHS Athletic Director, for use of Tully Park softball field, restrooms, score booth and concession stand for spring 2011 softball season.**

City Manager Christie commented this is a continuation of previous meeting and was placed on the agenda for formal approval. **Councilman Black moved and Councilman Meador seconded the motion to approve the request from Scott Steward, Salem High School Athletic Director, for use of Tully Park Softball Field, restrooms, score booth and concession stand for spring 2011 softball season, with the understanding usage will be coordinated with City of Salem Recreation Director. AYES: Councilmen Carr, Meador, Huddlestun, Black and Mayor Ferguson. NAYS: None. Motion carried.**

**4. Consideration of Reducing Costs of Public Aid Burial of Cremations from \$250.00 to \$125.00, and Increasing the Number of Cremations Buried per Space – 3 to 8**

This Item was removed from the Agenda.

**5. Resignation of Zoning Board of Appeals Member – Sharon Woodward**

A letter dated March 18, 2011 was received from Sharon K. Woodward submitting her resignation from the Salem Zoning Board of Appeals. Mrs. Woodward has served on the Zoning Board of Appeals for 12 years, since 1999. A Certificate of Appreciation will be prepared for Mrs. Woodward. **Councilman Carr moved and Councilman Huddlestun seconded the motion to accept, with regret, the resignation of Sharon Woodward from the Zoning Board of Appeals. Roll call vote. AYES: Councilmen Meador, Huddlestun, Black and Carr. NAYS: None. Motion carried.**

**6. Ordinance – First Reading – Amending Chapter 2, Sec. 2-59 regarding the marking of all city owned motor vehicles for identification purposes.**

City Manager Christie commented, Council may consider on first reading an ordinance that amends Chapter 2 of the City Code that references marking of city owned vehicles. The proposed amendment, prepared by Corporate Counsel, changes the wording by inserting the word “permanently”. He commented he has no problem with the proposed Ordinance proceeding on to second reading. Councilman Black requested he would like to have the City Manager’s vehicle marked.

**7. Ordinance – First Reading – Amending Chapter 2, by repealing Sec. 181 through Sec. 185 and replacing them with a new City of Salem Controlled Substance Use and Alcohol Abuse Program.**

City Manager Christie commented that most of the proposed ordinance has been suggested by the City’s third party administrator who actually conducts the drug tests and it is based upon changes in state policy; it changes the wording, but not any of the scope regarding testing. He further indicated, the city attorney has added a section referencing zero tolerance that refers to driving while consuming alcohol. He indicated he has no problem proceeding to second reading. Councilman Black commented he was specifically asking for a zero tolerance program so that if someone was stopped that had been drinking, they would be dismissed from working with the City. City Attorney Jones pointed out page 31, “under the use or possession of alcohol will result in disciplinary action, up to and including termination”; indicating it is a possibility that they could be dismissed. Councilman Black commented that the State Police have a zero tolerance, and he thinks it is a good idea. Councilman Black asked City Attorney Jones to research this issue further.

**VII. CITY MANAGER REPORT**

City Manager Christie discussed two issues with draft budget; animal control and the employee health insurance issue and suggested adjusting these amounts in order to present a balanced budget for this budget year. He asked if Council would be comfortable with him proceeding with the budget, if so he sees no need for a budget work session next week.

Councilman Black and Mayor Ferguson requested to go ahead with the workshop to review the proposed budget and Councilman Huddlestun commented he could be at the work session on Monday. Mayor Ferguson announced they will meet on Monday as noticed.

**VIII. CITY ATTORNEY REPORT** – No report

**IX. CITY COUNCIL REPORT**

**Councilman Carr** – commented it is good to be back and we are very fortunate to have good medical facilities in our area. He is thankful for all the prayers and cards that were sent to him during his recent surgery and recovery.

Councilmen Meador, Huddlestun and Black welcomed Councilman Carr back.

City Clerk Marshall reported on Keep Salem Beautiful – “April in Salem” Great American Cleanup events, including a fundraiser “Style Show” for Bryan Bennett Library and an Electronic Recycling event sponsored by the SCHS Wildcats Green Team.

Chief Campo also welcomed Councilman Carr back. He reported that several weeks ago during the ice storm Council questioned if there was a notification system that could be used to notify residents of warming centers. The Police Department now has joined the NIXLE System which residents can sign up and the Police Department will send out weather warnings, and other emergency type notices. He reported that the Police Department also has a facebook page.

Councilman Black asked if there were any grant funds that could reimburse costs for pick-up of fallen limbs all over town; commenting that some residents misunderstood an announcement for Centralia about pick-up of limbs. Public Works Director Pruden commented he has a program in the works to get this done.

**X. ADJOURNMENT**

There being no further business for discussion at 7:00 p.m. **Councilman Carr moved and Councilman Black seconded the motion to adjourn. AYES: Councilmen Carr, Meador, Huddlestun, and Black. NAYS: None. Motion carried.**

**Jane Marshall, CMC**  
**City Clerk**

Minutes approved as written by City Council on April 18, 2011.