

The Public was invited to a Reception at the Salem City Hall on Monday, May 2, 2011 at 5:00 p.m. to express appreciation to Retiring Mayor Leonard E. Ferguson and Retiring Councilman Tom Carr for their many years of loyal public service and to Welcome Newly Elected Mayor John Raymer; Newly Elected Councilman Royce Bringwald and Incumbent Councilman David Black to the City Council.

**CITY OF SALEM  
REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING AGENDA  
MAY 2, 2011  
6:00 P.M.**

- I. Call to Order**
- II. Prayer and Pledge of Allegiance**
- III. Approval of Minutes, April 18, 2011**
- IV. Presentation of Petitions/Public Comments**
- V. Mayor's Report and Presentations**
  - Presentation of Certificate of Appreciation to "Safe Sheds" for Donation of a Safe Shed to Department of Emergency Management
- VI. City Council Action**
- VII. City Manager Report**
- VIII. City Attorney Report**
- IX. City Council Report**
- X. Adjournment of 52<sup>nd</sup> Council**

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**Administering of the Oath of Office:** (by City Clerk/Notary)

**Mayor John Raymer  
Councilman David E. Black  
Councilman Royce Bringwald**

**Presentation to Retiring Mayor Ferguson** - by Mayor John Raymer  
**Presentation to Retiring Councilman Carr** - by Mayor John Raymer  
**Remarks from Retiring Mayor Leonard E. Ferguson**  
**Remarks from Retiring Councilman Tom Carr**

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**Convene Meeting of the 53<sup>rd</sup> Council**  
**(Modified Agenda)**

- I. Call to Order**
  - Remarks by the Newly Elected Council Members**
  - Remarks by the Newly Elected Mayor**
- II. City Council Action:**
  - 1. Recommendation for Appointment**
    - City Clerk - Jane Marshall
    - City Treasurer - Debby Lamb
    - Department of Emergency Management Director - Terry Mulvany
  - 2. Administering of the Oath of Office:** (by Mayor John Raymer)
    - City Clerk
    - City Treasurer
    - Department of Emergency Management Director
  - 3. Authorization and Acceptance of DCEO Grant Agreement for \$150,000 to Replace and Update Water Lines and Fire Hydrants**
  - 4. Resolution Opposing Reduction of State Collected Revenues Due Municipalities**
- II. Adjournment**

Thomas F. Christie,  
City Manager

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CITY OF SALEM  
REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING  
MAY 2, 2011  
6:00 P.M.

**I. Call to Order**

The Salem City Council met in regular session on Monday, May 2, 2011, at the hour of 6:00 p.m., in the Council Chambers of Salem City Hall. The meeting was called to order by Retiring Mayor Leonard E. Ferguson.

Council Members Present upon roll call:

Retiring Councilman Tom Carr

Councilman Kip Meador

Councilman Steve Huddlestun

Councilman David E. Black

Retiring Mayor Leonard E. Ferguson

**Others Present:**

Mayor-elect John Raymer

Councilman-elect Royce Bringwald

City Manager Thomas F. Christie

City Attorney Michael R. Jones

City Clerk Jane Marshall

Public Works Director John Pruden

Finance Director Jane Brown

Library Director Kim Keller

Sergeant Susan Miller

Recreation Director Sherry Daniels

Assistant to the City Manager Bev West

Chief of Police Ron Campo

Economic Dev Director Tracey McDanel

Executive Assistant Natalie Wright

Code Enforcement Officer Brad Crow

DOEM Director Terry Mulvany

Media: Salem Times Commoner, WJBD Radio, Centralia Sentinel; US Sonet and Marion County Observer, along with several members of the public

**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 - April 18, 2011 Regular Meeting**

Minutes of the Regular Council Meeting of April 18, 2011 were presented. **Councilman Carr moved and Councilman Black seconded the motion to approve the minutes of Regular Meeting of April 18, 2011 as written and waive the reading. Roll call vote. AYES: Councilmen Carr, Meador, Huddlestun, and Black. NAYS: None. Motion carried.**

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

No Petitions or Comments

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

Mayor Ferguson presented a Certificate of Appreciation to Don and Betty Guymon, owners of Safe Sheds for their generous donation of a Safe Shed to the Department of Emergency Management to be used by them and the Police Department during emergency events. Mrs. Guymon explained that they are getting ready to expand their business and invited everyone to come and take a tour.

**VI. City Council Action**

**VII. City Manager Report**

**VIII. City Attorney Report**

**IX. City Council Report**

**X. Adjournment of 52<sup>nd</sup> Council**

There being no further business for discussion for the 52<sup>nd</sup> City Council, **Councilman Black moved and Councilman Huddlestun seconded the motion to adjourn. Roll call vote. AYES: Councilmen Meador, Huddlestun, Black, and Carr. NAYS: None. Motion carried.**

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**Administering of the Oath of Office:**

**Mayor John Raymer  
Councilman David E. Black  
Councilman Royce Bringwald**

Jane Marshall, acting in capacity of Notary, administered the Oath of Office and presented the Official Commission for an elected four-year term to Mayor Elect John Raymer, while Mrs. Raymer held the Bible during the oath ceremony.

Mayor Raymer then administered the Oath of Office and presented the Official Commission for elected four-year terms to Incumbent Councilman David E. Black while Mrs. Black held the Bible during the oath ceremony; and to Newly Elected Councilman Royce Bringwald while Mrs. Bringwald held the Bible during the oath ceremony.

Retiring Mayor Ferguson and Retiring Councilman Carr took their seats in the audience as Mayor Raymer and Councilman Bringwald took their seats at the Council Table.

**Administering Oath of Office to City Clerk, Treasurer, and Department of Emergency Management Director**

Mayor Raymer administered the Oath of Office and presented the Official Commission to Jane Marshall, City Clerk; Debby Lamb, City Treasurer; and Terry Mulvany, Department of Emergency Management Director for appointment of four-year terms.

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**Convene Meeting of the 53<sup>rd</sup> Council**  
(Modified Agenda)

**I. CALL TO ORDER**

The meeting was called to order by Mayor John Raymer. Council Members Present upon roll call:

Councilman Royce Bringwald  
Councilman Kip Meador  
Councilman Steve Huddleston  
Councilman David E. Black  
Mayor John Raymer

**Remarks by the Newly Elected Council Members**

Councilman Royce Bringwald thanked all the voters for their votes and stated he will do the best of his ability as City Councilman.

Councilman Black thanked everyone that voted for him and also those who did not vote for him, adding he will do his duty and do what is right for the community. He especially expressed appreciation to his wife, Rita, thanking her for her support.

**Remarks by the Newly Elected Mayor**

Mayor Raymer expressed heartfelt appreciation to Retiring Mayor Ferguson for caring about our town, building it and making it good. Raymer stated “I am really proud of this town, and Leonard Ferguson was a major part of that – I thank you”.

Mayor Raymer commented that he has had great respect and appreciation for Retiring Councilman Tom Carr and expressed appreciation for the great work that he has done.

Mayor Raymer humorously commented he got off to a good start Saturday at the Keep Salem Beautiful clean-up in Bryan Park when he got to ride around in the garbage truck, adding it is important that we all work together. He recognized all the volunteer groups that help make Salem a good place to live – groups who plant trees and flowers; groups who work with sports and recreation; those who work with the Fair; athletic groups; those who take care of businesses; those who are interested in furthering medical care and facilities; those with visions of filling up the interstate area with great businesses for increased revenues; and those interested in creating a bike path; adding there are unlimited possibilities in ways we should go – our job is to find those essential things that have to be done and to build on the past successes in the community. Raymer commented that we represent everybody in town and encouraged involvement. He thanked everybody who supported his campaign and who voted, adding that is behind us and we have to work together.

## **II. CITY COUNCIL ACTION**

### **1. Recommendation for Appointment**

The appointments for City Clerk, Treasurer, and Department of Emergency Services Director were ratified when Mayor Raymer formally recommended approval of the four-year appointments of Jane Marshall as City Clerk; Debby Lamb as City Treasurer; and Terry Mulvany as Department of Emergency Management Director. **Councilman Black moved and Councilman Meador seconded the motion to approve the appointment of Jane Marshall to the office of City Clerk; Debby Lamb to the office of City Treasurer; and Terry Mulvany to the office of Director of the Department of Emergency Management for four-year terms. Roll call: AYES: Councilmen Huddlestun, Black, Bringwald, and Meador. NAYS: None. Motion carried.**

### **2. Administering of the Oath of Office**

(Note: This action was done earlier in the Agenda)

### **3. Authorization and Acceptance of DCEO Grant Agreement for \$150,000 to Replace and Update Water Lines and Fire Hydrants**

Public Works Director Pruden explained the Illinois Department of Commerce & Economic Opportunity grant will help replace the old water line on West Main Street from Illinois Avenue to Westgate Avenue. This grant application was completed by the Public Works personnel. **Councilman Black moved and Councilman Huddlestun seconded the motion to authorize acceptance of the DCEO Grant Agreement for \$150,000 for replacement and updating of water lines and fire hydrants on West Main Street. Roll call Vote: AYES: Councilmen Black, Bringwald, Meador, and Huddlestun. NAYS: None. Motion carried.**

### **4. Resolution 2011-05 - Resolution Opposing Reduction of State Collected Revenues Due Municipalities**

City Manager Christie explained the State of Illinois Legislature is considering a reduction in the amount of income tax revenue to municipalities in an effort to address its own budget difficulties. Any reduction would be detrimental to city services and create a financial hardship. He recommended approval. **Councilman Black moved and Councilman Huddlestun seconded the motion to approve Resolution 2011-05, a Resolution opposing reduction of State collected revenues due municipalities. Roll call Vote: AYES: Councilmen Bringwald, Meador, Huddlestun, and Black. NAYS: None. Motion carried.**

### **Presentation to Retiring Councilman Carr - by Mayor John Raymer**

Mayor Raymer presented a plaque with the City Seal to Retiring Councilman Tom Carr engraved with the following words, "In grateful recognition of 26 years of loyal public service rendered to this community as a City Councilman, December 1984 – April 2011. It is hereby resolved by the Salem City Council for the People of Salem, Illinois that this token of appreciation is awarded to Tom Carr this 2<sup>nd</sup> day of May 2011."

### **Remarks from Retiring Councilman Tom Carr**

Tom Carr recalled some of the things that happened during his tenure; spillway and dam renovation project; North American Lighting locating in Salem; including concerns with old swimming pool; passage of ½ cent sales tax increase; building of the new Family Aquatic Center; and agreement with Citation to use gas from flairs in the oil fields. He expressed thanks for the support he has received and welcomed the new Council.

### **Presentation to Retiring Mayor Ferguson - by Mayor John Raymer**

Leonard Ferguson asked his wife, Carol to stand with him during the presentation and thanked her for all of her help with their business and family while he was taking care of his duties as Mayor for all the past years.

Mayor Raymer presented a plaque with the City Seal to Retiring Mayor Ferguson engraved with the following words, " In grateful recognition of 30 years of loyal and never-tiring public service rendered to this community as a City Councilman and MAYOR, May 1981 – April 2011. It is hereby resolved by the Salem City Council for the People of Salem, Illinois that this token of appreciation is awarded to Leonard E. Ferguson this 2<sup>nd</sup> day of May 2011."

### **Remarks from Retiring Mayor Leonard E. Ferguson**

Leonard E. Ferguson expressed appreciation for the many years he has worked in an untied effort together with legislators, council, staff, and volunteers for the improvements

for the City. He thanked his wife Carol and family for their support during his tenure as Mayor, along with appreciation to the citizens for their support. He wished the new council the best, adding he is leaving them with an outstanding staff and is leaving with a balanced budget, without the loss of jobs – adding jokingly “except he lost his job” .

**Reports:** Councilman Huddlestun commented he has discussed with Recreation Director Daniels the continuation of the sale of T-shirts this year at the Family Aquatic Center, also discussed giving coupons for \$1.00 off a regular swim fee for all the participants in the Salem Summer Sprint Triathlon on Sunday, June 5<sup>th</sup> sponsored by the Salem Summer Sprint Triathlon Directors for the Salem Swordfish Swim Team. **Councilman Huddlestun moved and Councilman Black seconded the motion to continue the sale of T-shirts at the pool again this summer and also to give coupons for \$1.00 off a regular swim fee to the participants in the Salem Summer Sprint Triathlon. Roll call vote: AYES: Councilmen Meador, Huddlestun, Black, and Bringwald. NAYS: None. Motion carried.**

*(Note: this action to be added to next Agenda to be ratified.)*

**III. ADJOURNMENT**

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

**Jane Marshall, CMC  
City Clerk**

Approved as written by City Council at regular meeting of May 16, 2011.