

**AGENDA
CITY OF SALEM
REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING
JANUARY 7, 2013
6:00 P.M.**

- 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. Approval of Minutes – Regular Meeting December 17, 2012
 - 2. Request for 15 Minute Parking Space – Northeast Corner of Walnut and Main Streets
 - 3. **Executive Session – 5 ILCS 120/2 (c) - Personnel, Litigation, Semi-Annual Review of Closed Session Minutes**
 - 4. Approval of Executive Session Minutes of November 19; 26; and December 17, 2012.
 - 5. Resolution – Listing of Closed Session Minutes to Remain Closed and/or Opened
- VI. City Manager Report**
- VII. City Attorney Report**
- VIII. Finance Director Report**
- IX. City Council Report**
- X. Adjournment**

Bill Gruen
City Manager

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I. CALL TO ORDER

The Salem City Council met in regular session on January 7, 2013, at the hour of 6:00 p.m. in the Council Chambers of Salem City Hall, 101 S. Broadway, Salem, IL Mayor John Raymer called the Meeting to order.

Council Members present upon roll call:

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

Others Present:

City Manager Bill Gruen	Public Works Director John Pruden
City Attorney Michael R. Jones	Finance Director Ben Stratemeyer
City Clerk Jane Marshall	Assistant to the City Manager Bev West
Library Director Kim Keller	Chief of Police Ron Campo
Recreation Director Sherry Daniels	Code Enforcement Officer Brian Hunt

Absent: DOEM Director Terry Mulvany

Also present: Media: Salem Times Commoner, WJBD Radio, Centralia Sentential, Marion County Observer, and US Sonet; along with members of the Public.

II. PRAYER AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

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

III. PRESENTATION OF PETITION/PUBLIC COMMENTS

Jennifer Kessler, 524 N. Hamilton, came before Council seeking help with a sanitary sewer line problem. She commented she was a 15 year resident of the City and has a problem with sewage back-up in her house. She reported that her plumber, Tom Heiple with TLH Plumbing dug up the line and told her that the problem was her connection to the City sewer line and she would continue to have problems until the city repairs its sewer line that has cracks in it. Public Works Director Pruden explained that this is a very old sewer line and the city has replaced portions of it. He has talked with the plumber and told him that he could make repairs at the city line at his own responsibility. After Council discussed this issue with Ms. Kessler, it was suggested that she have her plumber call Mr. Pruden to discuss how this problem could be taken care of.

IV. MAYOR'S REPORT AND PRESENTATIONS

Mayor Raymer reported:

- 1. January 17, 2013 – Unity Meeting with all City Commission and Boards to look at community-wide planning – to look at budget process based upon what we would like to achieve
- 2. January 21, 2013 – Presentation of the State of City Address

V. CITY COUNCIL ACTION

1. **Consent Agenda:**
 - a. **Approval of Minutes – December 17, 2012**

Councilman Black moved and Councilman Huddlestun seconded the motion to approve the minutes of December 17, 2012. Roll call vote: AYES: Councilmen Bringwald, Meador, Huddlestun, Black, and Mayor Raymer. NAYS: None. Motion carried.

2. **Request for 15 Minute Parking Space – Northeast Corner of Walnut and Main Streets - First Reading.**

City Manager Gruen presented a verbal request received from Pietro Alfrano of Mamma Antonia Trattoria, located at 114 W. Main Street to permit 15-minute parking for his customers to use for pick-up orders. Mr. Alfrano explained that this request comes from his customers who sometimes have a problem finding a parking space available to pick-up orders. Sometimes his customers have come to the back door of his restaurant to pick-up orders. Gruen explained that he has consulted with Chief Campo concerning this request and he suggested that if the 15-minute parking space be approved for the corner space, it allows for easier use. Gruen commented that Joe Black Agency has no problem with this request. It was noted that this parking space could be used by anyone. This being first reading, the City Attorney will prepare ordinance for action at next meeting.

3. **Executive Session – 5 ILCS 120/2 (c) - Personnel, Litigation, Semi-Annual Review of Closed Session Minutes**

Upon call for a motion to enter into Executive Session at 6:15 P.M., Councilman Meador moved and Councilman Black seconded the motion to enter into Closed Session to discuss Personnel, Litigation, and Semi-Annual Review of Closed Session Minutes. Roll call vote: AYES: Councilmen Meador, Huddlestun, Black, Bringwald and Mayor Raymer. NAYS: None. Motion carried.

OPEN SESSION:

4. **Approval of Executive Session Minutes of Nov. 19; 26; and Dec. 17, 2012.**

Councilman Black moved and Councilman Meador seconded the motion to approve Executive Session Minutes of November 19; 26; and December 17, 2012. Roll call vote: AYES: Councilmen Bringwald, Meador, Huddlestun, Black, and Mayor Raymer. NAYS: None. Motion carried.

5. **RESOLUTION 2013-01 - Resolution – Listing Closed Session Minutes to Remain Closed and/or Opened**

Councilman Black moved and Councilman Meador seconded the motion to approve Resolution 2013-01, a Resolution listing Closed Session Minutes to Remain Closed and/or Opened. Roll call vote: AYES: Councilmen Bringwald, Meador, Huddlestun, Black, and Mayor Raymer. NAYS: None. Motion carried.

VI. CITY MANAGER REPORT

City Manager Gruen reported that the 2013 Annual City Council Action Items calendar was in the Council packets, noting that the April meeting dates should be on the 1st and the 15th.

VII. CITY ATTORNEY REPORT – No Report

VIII. FINANCE DIRECTOR REPORT – No Report

IX. CITY COUNCIL REPORT

Councilman Bringwald reported that he had attended the dedication for the new Good Samaritan Hospital in Mt. Vernon. He also reported that the tailoring shop on 113 S. Broadway has changed ownership, Poppy Tackett has purchased the business from Karen Brown. Council joined him in wishing her success in her new business.

Councilman Huddlestun reported Department of Emergency Management Director Terry Mulvany has received successfully completed the City of Salem Emergency Operations Plan (EOP) and has received approval from the Illinois Emergency Management Agency and received accreditation through September 30, 2014

X. ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business for discussion at 6:35 P.M., Councilman Black moved and Councilman Meador seconded the motion to adjourn. Roll call vote: AYES: Councilmen Bringwald, Meador, Huddlestun, Black, and Mayor Raymer. NAYS: None. Motion carried.

**Jane Marshall, CMC
City Clerk**

Minutes approved as written by City Council January 21, 2013.