

AGENDA CITY OF SALEM  
REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING  
April 7, 2014  
6:00 PM

- I. Call to Order
- II. Prayer and Pledge of Allegiance
- III. Presentation of Petitions/Public Comments
- IV. FY2015 Budget Workshop
- V.. Adjournment

Bill Gruen  
City Manager

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**MINUTES  
CITY OF SALEM  
COUNCIL MEETING  
April 7, 2014**

I. **Call to Order**

The Salem City Council met in regular session on Monday, April 7, 2014 at 6:00 p.m. in the Council Chambers of Salem City Hall. The meeting was called to order by Mayor John Raymer.

Council Members Present:  
Councilman David Black  
Councilman Royce Bringwald  
Councilman Jim Baity  
Mayor John Raymer

Councilmember absent: Councilwoman Sue Morgan

Others present:

City Manager Bill Gruen	Finance Director Ben Stratemeyer
Public Works Director John Pruden	Recreation Director Sherry Daniels
Chief of Police Ron Campo	Sgt. Susan Miller
Animal Control Officer Paul Wimberly	Code Enforcement Officer Brian Hunt
City Clerk Bev Quinn	City Attorney Mike Jones

Also present were the following members of the media: Bruce Kropp, WJBD Radio; Dennis Rosenberger, Salem Times-Commoner; and Reece Rutland, Centralia Sentinel, and members of the general public.

II. **Prayer and Pledge of Allegiance**

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

III. **Presentation of Petitions /Public Comments - None**

IV. **FY2015 Budget Workshop**

City Manager Gruen presented the draft FY2015 budget, totaling \$19,364,815, for discussion. Mr. Gruen indicated the City is in good financial shape, and all funds are in the black. City Manager Gruen indicated the budget is set up with a description section outlining goals and projects, followed by a line item budget. Mr. Gruen went through the description section of the budget fund by fund, and explained projects that had been budgeted. The overall budget is up by approximately 5%. Some of the projects highlighted were animal control, setting up e-pay and debit/credit programs (*with the City absorbing the fees*), water line and gas line replacements, and sidewalk replacements. Also discussed was a \$40,000 project to extend Baldrige Lane to Mills Cart Road, although the project was not put into the FY2015 budget. Other than a few minor typing revisions, the only change to the proposed budget was the insertion of \$350.00 for background checks, which was left out in error. Councilman Black commended City Manager Gruen on the descriptive layout of the document, and indicated this is the best budget he has reviewed.

XI. **Adjournment**

***Motion was made by Councilman Black and seconded by Councilman Baity that the meeting be adjourned at 7:40 p.m. Roll call vote: AYES: Councilman Black, Councilman Bringwald, Councilman Baity, Mayor Raymer. NAYS: None. Motion carried.***

Bev Quinn, CMC  
City Clerk

Minutes approved: 4/21/14