

AGENDA
CITY OF SALEM
REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING
JUNE 16, 2014
6:00 PM

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- III. Presentation of Petitions/Public Comments
- IV. Mayor's Report and Presentations

- V. City Council Action
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 - a. Approval of Minutes – June 2, 2014
 - b. 300 Block West Church Street Closure for June 27 Library Event
 - 2. Bills Payable
 - 3. Second Reading – False Alarm Ordinance
 - 4. First Reading – Ordinance Regulating E-Cigarettes as a Tobacco Product
 - 5. First Reading – Ordinance Expanding Enterprise Zone at Patoka "Tank Farm" for Sales Tax Purposes
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 - 7. Purchase Approval – Bids for 2014 Oil & Chip Program
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 - 10. Approval for Concession Sales by SCHS Boosters Club at Tully Park
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Bill Gruen
City Manager

MINUTES
CITY OF SALEM
REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING
June 16, 2014

I. Call to Order

The regular meeting of the Salem City Council was held on June 16, 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 Royce Bringwald
Councilwoman Sue Morgan
Councilman Jim Baity
Councilman David Black
Mayor Raymer

Others present:

City Manager Bill Gruen	Finance Director Ben Stratemeyer
City Attorney Mike Jones	Public Works Director John Pruden
Recreation Director Sherry Daniels	Library Director Kim Keller
Chief of Police Ron Campo	Code Enforcement Officer Brian Hunt
City Clerk Bev Quinn	Economic Development Director Jeanne Gustafson
Sgt. Susan Miller	

Also present were the following members of the media, 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. Mayor's Report and Presentations

Mayor Raymer congratulated Recreation Director Sherry Daniels on a successful Family Day in the Park. Recreation Director Daniels responded that the weather was great.

Mayor Raymer indicated Marathon Oil is getting ready to start a \$192 Million expansion project in the tank farm at Patoka, and will be holding an informational meeting at the Salem Community Activities Center on July 2, from 5-7 p.m. Mayor Raymer indicated this would be a good meeting to attend if you are a contractor, vendor, supplier, or may be able to provide hotels, restaurants, medical services, etc. to these 100 people who will be in our area for the next year and a half.

Mayor Raymer also announced that the City will be hosting a ground breaking for Jarco in the Industrial Park on Wednesday, June 18th at 9:00 a.m.

Mayor Raymer received a thank you from the Dorothy Stevenson family for his participation at Dorothy's 100th birthday celebration, and for presenting a Key to the City, which Ms. Quinn read to those present. Councilman Black commended Mayor Raymer for the unique way he recognized Dorothy, by pointing out the historical events that have happened during her lifetime.

V. City Council Action

1. Consent Agenda:

- a. Approval of Minutes – June 2, 2014
- b. 300 Block West Church Street Closure for June 27 Library Event

Motion was made by Councilman Black and seconded by Councilman Bringwald that the Consent Agenda be approved. Roll call vote: AYES: Councilman Black, Councilman Bringwald, Councilwoman Morgan, Councilman Baity, Mayor Raymer. NAYS: None. Motion carried.

2. Bills Payable

Motion was made by Councilman Black and seconded by Councilman Baity to approve the Bills Payable, as presented. Roll call vote: AYES: Councilman Bringwald, Councilwoman Morgan, Councilman Baity, Councilman Black, Mayor Raymer. NAYS: None. Motion carried.

3. Second Reading – False Alarm Ordinance

City Manager Gruen indicated the suggested changes had been made, with fines ranging from \$100.00 to \$750.00, with fines increasing as an entity's false alarms increase. ***Motion was made by Councilman Black and seconded by Councilman Bringwald to approve Ordinance 2014-06 creating a "False Alarm Article". Roll call vote: AYES: Councilwoman Morgan, Councilman Baity, Councilman Black, Councilman Bringwald, Mayor Raymer. NAYS: None. Motion carried.***

4.. First Reading – Ordinance Regulating E-Cigarettes as a Tobacco Product

City Manager Gruen indicated E-cigarettes are battery powered devices which produce a vapor inhaled by consumers intended to be a substitute for cigarettes. The vapor can include nicotine. Mr. Gruen indicated he and Chief Campo are requesting an ordinance change that would define e-cigarettes as a tobacco product. The main purpose for this is to ensure that e-cigarettes are not sold to minors. The proposed ordinance would require a \$100.00 annual fee; make it unlawful to sell to persons under 18 years; require signage and I.D. checks; prohibit sales within 100 feet of schools, child care facilities and similar buildings; allow for random inspections; and permit penalties and suspensions for violations.

City Manager Gruen indicated he had invited the operator of the new Vapor business in Westgate to attend the meeting, but her store doesn't close until 7:00 p.m. Councilman Bringwald indicated he does not want to take action until she has an opportunity to address Council. Councilman Black suggested making it simple, and just requiring that they not sell to those under 18 years of age.

5. First Reading – Ordinance Expanding Enterprise Zone at Patoka "Tank Farm" for Sales Tax Purposes

City Manager Gruen indicated the taxing bodies did not support property tax abatement on this project, although the Public Hearing went well. As the Greater Salem Area Enterprise Zone is a joint City/County zone, it will take action by both bodies for the expansion of the zone to pass, although the City is the administrator of the zone.

6. Engineering Agreement with Curry & Associates for Work Related to Water Sewer at Union Pacific Rail Yards

City Manager Gruen indicated that Union Pacific Railroad is requiring some water and sewer casing work for an expansion they are undertaking. The engineering agreement submitted by Curry and Associates calls for design, bid phase, and construction period engineering with a fee not to exceed \$19,500. Curry estimates the project could total around \$148,000. ***Motion was made by Councilwoman Morgan and seconded by Councilman Black to approve the engineering agreement with Curry & Associates in an amount not to exceed \$19,500. Roll call vote: AYES: Councilman Baity, Councilman Black, Councilwoman Morgan, Mayor Raymer. NAYS: None. ABSTAIN: Councilman Bringwald. Motion carried.***

7. Purchase Approval – Bids for 2014 Oil & Chip Program

City Manager Gruen indicated Rhutasel and Associates oversaw bidding for the 2014 Oil and Chip materials. Low bidders are recommended as follows: Howell Paving in the amount of \$2.135 per gallon of RS-2 oil and Quad County in the amount of \$13.00 per don CM-16 pea gravel. ***Motion was made by Councilman Black and seconded by Councilman Baity to approve the low bids as presented. Roll call vote: AYES: Councilman Black, Councilman Bringwald, Councilwoman Morgan, Councilman Baity, Mayor Raymer. NAYS: None. Motion carried.***

8. 2014-15 Prevailing Wage Ordinance

City Manager Gruen indicated this ordinance is passed each year, as required by State law. The wages were downloaded from the Department of Revenue site for June 2014. **Motion was made by Councilman Black and seconded by Councilman Baity to approve Ordinance 2014-07 adopting the Prevailing Wage, as presented. Roll call vote: AYES: Councilman Bringwald, Councilwoman Morgan, Councilman Baity, Councilman Black, Mayor Raymer. NAYS: None. Motion carried.**

9. Aquatic Center Pool Rain Checks

Recreation Director Sherry Daniels indicated she had researched some other communities' policies, and it appears the best policy would be to provide rain checks, if requested, if the pool closes due to weather prior to the 3:15 p.m. break. If it closes after 3:15 p.m., rain checks would not be offered. Councilman Black indicated not everyone goes to the pool when it opens at 12:00 p.m. Ms. Daniels concurred, but added that people do have a responsibility to check the weather before going to the pool. **Motion was made by Councilwoman Morgan and seconded by Councilman Black to offer rain checks (if requested) if the pool closes before the 3:15 p.m. break, due to weather. Roll call vote: AYES: Councilwoman Morgan, Councilman Baity, Councilman Black, Councilman Bringwald, Mayor Raymer. NAYS: None. Motion carried.**

10. Approval for Concession Sales by SCHS Boosters at Tully Park

City Manager Gruen indicated that the Southern Illinois Bandits traveling softball team is scheduled to play games at Tully Park, and the SCHS Boosters would like to sell concessions. **Motion was made by Councilman Baity and seconded by Councilman Black to allow the SCHS Boosters to sell concessions during the SI Bandits games at Tully Park. Roll call vote: AYES: Councilman Baity, Councilman Black, Councilman Bringwald, Councilwoman Morgan, Mayor Raymer. NAYS: None. Motion carried.**

11. Approval of Softball Tournament Fundraiser at Men's Softball Field, June 21st

City Manager Gruen indicated this tournament is being organized to raise funds for families of participants in the Junior Gold National Bowling Tournament, which will be held in New York, with travel expenses. **Motion was made by Councilman Black and seconded by Councilwoman Morgan to allow use of the Men's Softball Field on June 21st as a fundraiser for participants in the Junior Gold National Bowling Tournament, and to waive the fee. Roll call vote: AYES: Councilman Black, Councilman Bringwald, Councilwoman Morgan, Councilman Baity, Mayor Raymer. NAYS: None. Motion carried.**

12. Proposed Demolition List

City Manager Gruen presented the most recent demolition list, as provided by the Police Department. Mr. Gruen added that the Gas Point corner should also be included in this list. Mr. Gruen indicated he is still researching the feasibility of using the UDAG funds for demolition. **Motion was made by Councilman Black and seconded by Councilman Bringwald to approve the list as presented. Roll call vote: AYES: Councilman Bringwald, Councilwoman Morgan, Councilman Baity, Councilman Black, Mayor Raymer. NAYS: None. Motion carried.**

VI. City Manager Report

City Manager Gruen thanked Public Works Director John Pruden for doing the prep work to get the location of the Jarco ground breaking ready for the event, and for his crew setting up for Family Day and barricades for the motorcycle event held on June 14th.

City Manager Gruen announced that both he and Economic Development Director Jeanne Gustafson are going to be making at least one retention visit per week to a local business or industry, and invited those businesses that would like to be visited sooner rather than later to give City Hall a call.

Ameren has indicated they will be doing tree trimming in the area in upcoming weeks.

VII. City Attorney Report - None.

VIII. Finance Director Report – None.

IX. City Council Report

Councilwoman Morgan – Councilwoman Morgan indicated the business on West Main, which has been storing items outside, looks much better, and thanked Mayor Raymer and Code Enforcement Officer Brian Hunt for their efforts.

Mayor Raymer – Mayor Raymer asked what is going on with the Bryan Park trail. City Manager Gruen indicated the State has approved the design with the aggregate surface, but the Public Works Department has projects scheduled that may delay their "in kind" efforts on behalf of the trail, and implementation may have to be postponed until 2015. Mayor Raymer indicated he would like to see some firm numbers, so he would know what amount he would need to raise, if the City was not going to use "in kind" labor. Public Works Director Pruden indicated it is not that they are unwilling to provide the "in kind" labor, but his crews need to oil and chip the streets, build softball and soccer fields at Tully Park, tear down two houses, and build a parking lot on Jefferson Street,

in addition to their regular Public Works responsibilities. City Manager Gruen indicated the amount to replace the "in kind" labor is probably going to be approximately \$32,000. Mayor Raymer asked about going out for bid, so he can have firm numbers. Public Works Director Pruden indicated bids are only good for a limited time, and you need to go out for bid in good faith, when you actually intend to start the work. Councilwoman Morgan suggested approaching the 30-plus churches in Salem. Councilman Black responded that most of the churches are small, and their contributions are down. Mayor Raymer added that he does not want to appear unappreciative, and he appreciates all the work the Public Works crews are doing. Councilwoman Morgan suggested approaching the service groups. Mayor Raymer indicated he may approach Marathon for support.

X. Executive Session

13. Real Estate – 5 ILCS 120/2(c)(6)

Motion was made by Councilman Black and seconded by Councilwoman Morgan at 7:07 p.m. to enter into Executive Session for the purpose of discussing real estate. Roll call vote: AYES: Councilman Bringwald, Councilwoman Morgan, Councilman Baity, Councilman Black, Mayor Raymer. NAYS: None. Motion carried.

Return to open session at 7:45 p.m.

14. Approval of Executive Session Minutes of May 27, 2014.

Motion was made by Councilman Black and seconded by Councilman Baity to approve the Executive Session minutes of May 27, 2014, and that they remain closed. Roll call vote: AYES: Councilman Baity, Councilman Black, Councilman Bringwald, Councilwoman Morgan, Mayor Raymer. NAYS: None. Motion carried.

XI. Adjournment

Motion was made by Councilman Black and seconded by Councilman Baity that the meeting be adjourned at 7:45 p.m. Roll call vote: AYES: Councilman Bringwald, Councilwoman Morgan, Councilman Baity, Councilman Black, Mayor Raymer. NAYS: None. Motion carried.

Bev Quinn, CMC
City Clerk

Minutes approved: