

Salem City Council Meeting will also be held electronically, using the Zoom program.

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DATE: April 17, 2024 (City Council Chamber 30 West 100 South)

6:30 p.m. Work Session

1. Director Reports
2. Council Reports
3. Agenda Item's Discussion

7:00 p.m. AGENDA – REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING

1. Volunteer Motivational/Inspirational Message
2. Invitation to Say Pledge of Allegiance
3. Youth Council Report
4. SF / Salem Chamber Report
5. Citizen Request: Dan Grinder – Niels Fugal Sons Company
6. Decision: Meeting Minutes of April 3, 2024
7. Decision: Bills for Payment

DIRECTORS REPORTS

8. Chief Brad James, Public Safety Dept.
9. Steve Cox, Building Dept.
10. Walter Bird, Attorney
11. Jeffrey Nielson, Finance/Recorder
12. Matt Marziale, Manager
13. Adam Clements, Electrical Dept.
14. Bradey Wilde, Engineering Dept.
15. John Bowcut, Fiber Dept.

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COUNCIL REPORTS

16. Mayor Kurt L Christensen
 - a. Finances/Budget
 - b. City Employees
 - c. Miss Salem
 - d. UMPA Report
 - e. Public Safety
17. Councilperson Kelly Peterson
 - a. Power
 - b. Fiber
 - c. SUVPS Report
18. Councilperson Cristy Simons
 - a. Parks & Recreation
 - b. Chamber of Commerce
 - c. Youth Council
19. Councilperson Cynthia Deveraux Rees
 - a. Library
 - b. Solid Waste/Recycling
20. Councilperson Paul Taylor
 - a. Water (Primary & Secondary)
 - b. Mt Nebo & SUVMWA
21. Councilperson Tim De Graw
 - a. Sewer
 - b. Storm Drain
 - c. Roads & Trails
22. CLOSED SESSION -The Salem City Council may temporarily recess the regular meeting and convene in a closed session to discuss pending or reasonably imminent litigation; the purchase, exchange, or lease of real property or water; or to discuss the character, professional competence or physical or mental health of an individual as provided by Utah Code Annotated §52-4-205.

Please Note: If you have an item that you would like to have discussed before the City Council, please fill out a request form, which is available online at salemcity.org or at the City Office, and return it to the City Office by 5:00 p.m. the Thursday prior to the meeting you would like to attend.

In compliance with the A.D.A., individuals needing special accommodations during this meeting should notify the Salem City Office at 30 W. 100 S. or call (801)423-2770 at least three working days prior to meeting.

Minutes of the Salem City Council Meeting held on April 17, 2024, in the Salem City Council Chambers.

Work Session: 6:30 p.m.

Jenny Calderon from Water Works Engineers presented findings on the capacity analysis for the Salem City Water Reclamation Facility. The analysis aimed to explore options for increasing capacity before expanding the plant's physical footprint. Initial discussions with the facility's team highlighted potential upgrades that could enhance capacity. Future presentations will include detailed timelines, population projections, and developer plans to anticipate capacity needs over the next 20 years. Additionally, considerations for potential reuse and funding sources, including grants and developer contributions, will be explored. The council emphasized the importance of leveraging impact fees and developer contributions to minimize taxpayer burden for plant expansions. Collaboration with key stakeholders, including developers and funding agencies, will be crucial in determining the financial strategy for the project.

1. DIRECTOR REPORTS

Chief Brad James was not present to give a director's report.

Steve Cox had nothing to report on tonight.

Walter Bird addressed the council about regulations regarding the placement of storage containers in residential areas. Temporary placement, primarily for construction purposes, was discussed. Concerns were raised regarding the aesthetics and impact on the community, prompting considerations of size restrictions and setbacks. The conversation evolved to encompass broader issues of regulation and enforcement, including concerns about stacking containers, their structural integrity, and potential hazards. There was debate over whether containers should be permitted in residential areas at all, with some suggesting a complete ban or strict regulations. The council also discussed impact fees for transportation, including recent ordinances allowing for reductions in commercial impact fees. However, concerns were raised about the fairness and sustainability of these reductions, leading to a reevaluation of the ordinance. Suggestions were made to adjust fee structures based on different categories and to ensure consistency across commercial sectors. The discussion highlighted the balancing act between encouraging business growth and maintaining community standards, with a focus on finding solutions that are equitable and conducive to long-term development.

2. COUNCIL REPORTS

There was no discussion about this item during work session.

3. AGENDA ITEM'S DISCUSSION

There was no discussion about this item during work session.

MEETING CONVENED AT: 7:00 p.m.

CONDUCTING: Mayor Kurt L Christensen

COUNCIL PRESENT:

Mayor Kurt L Christensen
Councilperson Kelly Peterson
Councilperson Cynthia Deveraux Rees
Councilperson Paul Taylor
Councilperson Tim De Graw

STAFF PRESENT:

Chief Brad James, Police Chief
Steve Cox, Building Dept.
Walter Bird, Attorney
Jeffery Nielson Finance/Recorder
Matt Marziale, Manager
Adam Clements, Electrical Dept.
Bradey Wilde, Engineering Dept.
John Bowcut, Fiber Dept.
Cody Young

OTHERS PRESENT

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1. VOLUNTEER MOTIVATIONAL/INSPIRATIONAL MESSAGE

Mayor Christensen asked if anyone would like to give a motivational or inspirational message. Matt Marziale stated he would like to offer a motivational message in the form of a prayer.

2. INVITATION TO SAY PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Mayor Christensen invited those who wish to participate, to stand and say the pledge of allegiance with him. He then led the pledge of allegiance for those who wanted to participate.

3. YOUTH COUNCIL

There was nobody from Youth Council at tonight's meeting.

4. SF/SALEM CHAMBER OF COMMERCE

Kathleen Leavitt provided updates on upcoming events and activities. She announced a networking event scheduled for tomorrow at noon at the Veterans Center, hosted by Jersey Mike's subs. The chamber will lead training on networking skills, including elevator pitches and interactive games to enhance business networking abilities. Additionally, Kathleen mentioned the upcoming Rotary Chamber Golf Tournament on May 8th and noted her review of applications for the event. She expressed admiration for the high caliber of youth applicants, emphasizing their inspiring essays and ambitious goals, reflecting positively on the community.

5. CITIZEN REQUEST: DAN GRINDER – NIELS FUGAL SONS COMPANY

Dan Grinder from Niels Fugal Sons Company presented plans for their new building on Beet Road (460 West) and invited the city council and employees to a groundbreaking event on June 20th. He mentioned that food trucks will be available, and the event will coincide with the company's 100th-anniversary celebration. The council expressed excitement about the new building and welcomed the company to the community. They requested a rendering of the building to share with the staff and the community. The council confirmed their attendance at the event and congratulated the company on its centennial anniversary.

6. DECISION: MINUTES OF APRIL 3, 2024

Mayor Christensen asked for a motion for the minutes of April 3, 2024.

MOTION BY: Councilperson Peterson made a motion to approve the April 3, 2024 minutes with the following adjustment. Councilperson Taylor voting nay on the decision to reapprove the resolution for the Arrowhead Springs PID District 2.

SECONDED BY: Councilperson Degraw seconded the motion.

VOTE: Councilperson Peterson; Aye, Councilperson Rees; Aye, Councilperson Taylor; Aye, Councilperson De Graw; Aye, (4 Ayes)

7. DECISION: BILL FOR PAYMENT

Mayor Christensen asked for a motion for the bills for payment.

AMOUNT: \$945,574.87

MOTION BY: Councilperson De Graw made a motion to approve the bills for payment in the amount of \$945,574.87.

SECONDED BY: Councilperson Peterson seconded the motion.

VOTE: Councilperson Peterson; Aye, Councilperson Rees; Aye, Councilperson Taylor; Aye, Councilperson De Graw; Aye, (4 Ayes)

STAFF REPORTS

8. CHIEF BRAD JAMES, POLICE CHIEF

Chief Brad James had nothing to add to tonight's meeting.

9. STEVE COX, BUILDING DEPT.

Steve Cox had nothing to add to tonight's meeting.

10. WALTER BIRD, ATTORNEY

Walter Bird had nothing to add to tonight's meeting.

11. JEFFREY NIELSON, FINANCE/RECORDER

The developers of the new Salem area are seeking approval to begin the process of creating a Tax Increment Financing (TIF) district for the commercial section of their development. They plan to work with the city on this initiative and are seeking direction from the council to proceed. Jeff Nielson stated that Councilperson Simons expressed support for the proposal. The council present was in favor of the developers beginning the process of creating a TIF for the development.

12. MATT MARZIALE, MANAGER

Matt Marziale had nothing to add to tonight's meeting.

13. ADAM CLEMENTS, ELECTRICAL DEPT.

The power department has completed the takeover of the electrical infrastructure for the D.R. Horton area. The new power department building is getting closer to being completed.

14. BRADEY WILDE, ENGINEERING DEPT.

Bradey Wilde stated that they will be posting a job opening for an assistant city engineer soon.

15. JOHN BOWCUT, FIBER DEPT.

John Bowcut stated that the fiber department has 1606 customers.

Jen Wright provided an update on the opening day at the ballpark. Jen expressed enthusiasm for the event and encouraged attendance.

James Thomas discussed the process of turning on the pressurized irrigation system and its impact on the culinary system. He inquired about recommendations for notifying residents and coordinating the process. There was a discussion about providing residents with advance notice, preferably two weeks prior, to prepare for the pressurized irrigation system turn-on. The council agreed that starting the process on a Monday would be ideal, allowing residents to have the weekend to prepare. The city decided turn on the pressurized irrigation system on May 6. James Thomas also proposed a tour of the pressurized irrigation/culinary water systems for council members in early May, providing an opportunity to inspect the system and address any concerns. The tour will include visits to well sites and the water treatment building.

COUNCIL REPORTS

16. MAYOR KURT L. CHRISTENSEN

Mayor Christensen stated that they will be meeting with the directors tomorrow to discuss next year's budget.

17. COUNCILPERSON KELLY PETERSON

Councilperson Peterson reported on the Finance Committee's work regarding upgrades to the electrical system (SUVPS). Originally estimated at \$50 million, the costs have escalated to around \$80 million due to increased expenses for electrical equipment, poles, and other components. The project involves the installation of substation transformers, new circuits, and the rebuilding of existing circuits. The upgrades will be implemented over a five to seven year period.

18. COUNCILPERSON CRISTY SIMONS

Councilperson Simons was not present at tonight's meeting.

19. COUNCILPERSON CYNTHIA DEVERAUX REES

Councilperson Rees remind everybody about the grand opening for the new transfer station next week.

20. COUNCILPERSON PAUL TAYLOR

Councilperson Taylor had nothing to add to tonight's meeting.

21. COUNCILPERSON TIM DE GRAW

Councilperson De Graw reported on various topics, including a spike in influent flow at the sewer treatment plant, which appeared to be seasonal. Projects discussed included the renewal of water quality paperwork and the replacement and repair of trees, along with site-related upkeep. De Graw also mentioned an upcoming annual fishing day for kids with disabilities on May 14th at Salem Pond, inviting volunteers and encouraging the council and mayor to attend.

22. CLOSED SESSION

There was no closed session at tonight's meeting.

Following the regular agenda items, there were no further matters to discuss. The council invited members of the public audience to address any issues, but there were none. The council opened the floor for informal discussion. A group of high school students introduced themselves, led by Luke Trevenin, a senior from Salem Hills High School. Another student, Talmage Wallace, also introduced himself. The council engaged in a light-hearted conversation with the students, joking about potential extra credit for their participation. Overall, it was a pleasant interaction with the students.

ADJOURN CITY COUNCIL MEETING

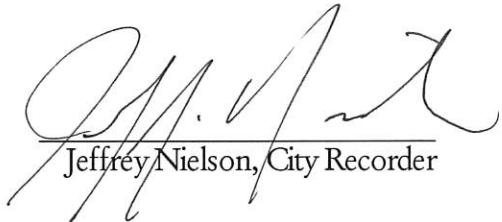
Mayor Christensen asked for a motion to adjourn.

MOTION BY: Councilperson Peterson made a motion to adjourn.

SECONDED BY: Councilperson De Graw seconded the motion.

VOTE: Councilperson Peterson; Aye, Councilperson Rees; Aye, Councilperson Taylor; Aye, Councilperson De Graw; Aye, (4 Ayes)

MEETING ADJOURNED AT: 8:30 p.m.



A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "J. Nielson".

Jeffrey Nielson, City Recorder

Salem City Council Meeting Attendance Record
For Council Meeting held on April 17, 2024

	Please Print Name	Please Sign Name
1	Dan GRINDER	Dan Grinder
2	Karen BORTLE	Karen Bortle
3	Kathleen LEAVITT	Kathleen Leavitt
4	Andrew OTTESEN	Andrew Otesen
5	Michael A La Giglia	Michael A La Giglia
6	Luke Trevenen	Luke Trevenen
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