

MINUTES  
MANTI CITY COUNCIL MEETING  
March 16<sup>th</sup>, 2016  
6:30 P.M.

Mayor Korry Soper in chair and presiding. Roll call showed Councilmembers Gary Chidester, Darren Dyreng, Jason Maylett, Vaun Mickelsen and Jason Vernon present. The Mayor welcomed all in attendance and invited them to join him in reciting the Pledge of Allegiance.

Mayor Soper recognized John Jensen, retiring Chief of the Manti Volunteer Fire Department and asked him to come forward. The Mayor then presented Jensen with an award recognizing his 33 years of volunteer service on the Fire Department. All members of the City Council along with the City Administrator in turn spoke to John's service expertise and dedication to the community and thanked him for a job well done. Several members of the department, who were in attendance, also spoke of their admiration for John and congratulated him on his service. Jensen then spoke from his heart and recognized his assistants and the entire department for their efforts. Finally, Mayor Soper awarded John with the "Fire Chief Badge" saying that he had worn it for over 25 years and had definitely earned it. He again thanked Jensen and wished him well.

The Mayor then recognized Carlie Lindhart, Mayor of the Youth City Council, and invited her to report. Lindhart thanked the Mayor and council for allowing the Youth Council to attend the recent "Local Officials Day" at the state legislature. Lindhart also told the Council about service projects the group has been involved in including the cleaning of the Eva Beal Auditorium and preparations for the upcoming community Easter Egg Hunt. She then asked if there were other projects they could assist with. Administrator Kent Barton, suggested she contact Mandy Keeler, Chairperson of the Main Street Flower Basket Committee, as that group is currently seeking volunteers to assist with the upcoming planting of the baskets. Youth Council member Sierra Mickelsen, then reported on the group's desire to plan a community 5K event on April 23<sup>rd</sup> to help build awareness for child abuse prevention and asked for permission to schedule the event. Some discussion ensued after which the Mayor and Council enthusiastically gave permission to hold the event. Mayor Soper then thanked the young ladies for their reports and service in the community.

The Mayor then stated that last week a public hearing was held concerning the proposed annexation of approximately 200 acres adjoining the south boundary of the city, to include the Sanpete County Jail Complex. He stated that no protest or objections had been filed and that all public comment supported the annexation. He asked if the Council desired any further discussion about the proposal. Seeing there was none, the Mayor called for a motion to accept Ordinance number 2016 – 03 – 16 – 1 to amend the zoning map of Manti City to include the proposed annexation area adjacent to the current corporate boundaries of the city. The Mayor further defined the newly annexed area to be

zoned Industrial, with the exception of a 200 foot strip immediately adjacent to and facing US Highway 89 on both sides of the highway, in accordance with the General Plan for Manti, Utah and provisions included in the City's Land Use Ordinance. Darren Dyreng made the motion, which was seconded by Vaun Mickelsen. Councilmembers voting "aye": Gary Chidester, Darren Dyreng, Jason Maylett, Vaun Mickelsen and Jason Vernon. Councilmembers voting "nay": none.

The Mayor then asked if any members of the Council had items to report. Seeing there was none, he asked if there were any changes for minutes of the Public Hearing of the Municipal Building Authority regarding bonding for the proposed Sports Complex. When none were noted, he called for a motion to accept the minutes as presented. Vaun Mickelsen made the motion, which was seconded by Jason Maylett. Councilmembers voting "aye": Gary Chidester, Darren Dyreng, Jason Maylett, Vaun Mickelsen and Jason Vernon. Councilmembers voting "nay": none.

The Mayor asked if there were changes noted for the Public Hearing of the City Council regarding the proposed annexation for property adjoining the city's south boundary. Seeing there were none he called for a motion to accept the minutes as presented. Jason Vernon made the motion, which was seconded by Darren Dyreng. Councilmembers voting "aye": Gary Chidester, Darren Dyreng, Jason Maylett, Vaun Mickelsen and Jason Vernon. Councilmembers voting "nay": none.

The Mayor called for a motion to accept the Minutes of the Public Hearing of the City Council regarding the proposed annexation for property adjoining the city's south boundary. Vaun Mickelsen made the motion, which was seconded by Darren Dyreng. Councilmembers voting "aye": Gary Chidester, Darren Dyreng, Jason Maylett, Vaun Mickelsen and Jason Vernon. Councilmembers voting "nay": none.

The Mayor then asked if there were any changes noted for the draft version of the minutes from the previous Council Meeting. No changes were noted. Mayor Soper then called for a motion to accept the minutes from the Council Meeting of March 10<sup>th</sup>, 2016 as presented. Vaun Mickelsen made the motion, which was seconded by Gary Chidester. Councilmembers voting "aye": Gary Chidester, Darren Dyreng, Jason Maylett, Vaun Mickelsen and Jason Vernon. Councilmembers voting "nay": none.

The Mayor then asked if there were any changes noted for the draft version of the minutes from the previous Council Meeting. No changes were noted. Mayor Soper then called for a motion to accept the minutes from the Council Meeting of February 17<sup>th</sup>, 2016 as presented. Vaun Mickelsen made the motion, which was seconded by Jason Maylett.

Administrator Kent Barton made a report to the council concerning upcoming play for our little league baseball program. Barton related that last year, all communities in the valley had met and decided not to continue with the "Babe Ruth" program, but rather to

form a valley league and include the communities of Gunnison and Salina. Since that time all of the communities in the north end of the county, including Ephraim City have determined to continue with the “Babe Ruth” program. Barton said that Community Sports director, Chad Moore, met with Barton and stated that he would prefer to keep with the plan to play with Gunnison and Salina but that he was concerned about Manti youth wanting to join with Ephraim teams to play in the Babe Ruth League. Barton stated that he felt it would be a detriment to our community sports program to allow our youth to move to Ephraim’s program. Discussion ensued and it was determined that the Council unanimously favored moving back into the Babe Ruth program, but, that we should contact the sports directors in Gunnison and Salina and inform them of our decision and extend an invitation to them to join us. Barton agreed to inform Chad Moore of the Council desire.

Barton also informed the Council that the BYU Urban Planning group desired to meet with the Council to present their recommendations for the economic development study on which they have been working for the past several months. After discussion, it was determined that the best night to meet would be Wednesday March 30<sup>th</sup>. The decision was made to meet with the BYU group, the Planning Commission, and Economic Development Committee in a work meeting, beginning at 5:30 pm. It was further decided that as most members of the Council were scheduled to be in St. George at the UCLT Conference the first week of April, that a regular Council Meeting would follow the work meeting on March 30<sup>th</sup> at approximately 6:30 pm, with the next regularly scheduled Council Meeting to be held on April 20<sup>th</sup>.

Jason Vernon then reported that he had talked with the official at the DWR over the community deer population control plan, who suggested a work meeting with the council to discuss the program. It was determined that Kent Barton and Jason Vernon would get together and come up with a couple of possible dates to propose to the Council for that purpose.

The bills were presented for payment. Following review by the Mayor and Council, Vaun Mickelsen made the motion to pay the bills and adjourn. Jason Vernon seconded. Councilmembers voting “aye”: Gary Chidester, Darren Dyreng, Jason Maylett, Vaun Mickelsen and Jason Vernon. Councilmembers voting “nay”: none.

The meeting adjourned at 7:30 p.m.

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Korry L. Soper, Mayor

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Kent Barton, Recorder/Administrator