

Manti City Council Meeting

MINUTES

APRIL 23, 2020
7:15 PM

MANTI CITY BUILDING
50 SOUTH MAIN STREET

MEETING CALLED BY	Mayor Korry L. Soper
TYPE OF MEETING	Regular Council Meeting via Electronic
ATTENDEES	Mayor: Korry Soper Councilmembers: Mary L. Wintch, Jason Maylett, Jason Vernon, Gary Chidester and Darren Dyreng City Manager: Kent Barton Recorder: JoAnn Otten
ABSENT	
WELCOME	Mayor Soper called the meeting to order and noted that this is the second meeting convened electronically due to Covid-19.
PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE	Suspended

Agenda Items

ITEM 1	Review of February Financial Statement
	<p>City Manager Kent Barton presented the February financial statements. He reported that the city is running right on schedule financially with two-thirds of the fiscal year complete and the budget running at 66.2%. He said that it is unknown what the next four months will bring due to the Corona Virus shut down. This will diminish sales tax at an amount which is unknown and will also make it difficult to budget for the next fiscal year.</p> <p>Barton reported that the Enterprise Funds are operating at budget and explained that they are crucial and should remain strong, as these reserves help with capital improvements such as aging infrastructures.</p>
CONCLUSIONS	

Mayor Soper asked what effects would Covid-19 have on income and expense. Barton said that the city is making every effort to lower purchase of non-essential items until we can see what revenues will be.

ITEM 2

Status of Large Summer Events

City Manager Kent Barton reported that he has been in close contact with Ilene Roth regarding the annual Big Daddy Ed Roth Days event scheduled for June. He said that Ilene cancelled the event and is planning on holding a virtual reunion with cars and artists on line. She felt that with only five weeks before this event and no directive as to the gathering of large groups by state officials, it would be better to cancel now than wait until a week or two prior to the event.

Ilene has said that regular artists and attendees have been concerned about the economy in Manti due to Covid-19 and she suggested that they contact the hotel where they had planned on staying and send a donation in the amount of a one-night lodging. The Mayor and Council expressed their appreciation to Ilene and her attendees.

Barton reported that events such as July 4th celebration and Sanpete County Fair are listed as tentative. In a virtual meeting with Lieutenant Governor Spencer Cox he suggested that large events not be cancelled at this time but maybe modified in scope at this point. He said that the state is waiting for additional information from health professionals prior to cancelling large events.

Councilmember Chidester questioned whether the annual ATV ride would be a go. Barton stated that it is highly possible the July ride will be cancelled but felt that the September ride would be able to stay scheduled. Again, we are waiting for directive as to social gathering from the State of Utah.

Councilmember Vernon asked if the Aquatic Center would be able to be open. Barton said that Recreation Director Vern Jensen had spoken with the Central Utah Public Health Department and once again everyone is waiting for direction from the State.

CONCLUSIONS

It was the consensus of the Mayor and Council to wait for an update from the State of Utah regarding social gathering and also recommendations from the Health Department before cancelling any large events.

ITEM 3

Continuing Business

City Manager Barton stated that the proposed zoning hearing had been cancelled and recommended that once a recommendation from the state is announced that the Mayor and Council conduct the hearing either in an electronically or in a regular public hearing.

DISCUSSION

Mayor Soper said that they will revisit this issue in June when additional information is available about the possibility of holding a hearing.

Councilmember Wintch suggested that information be made available to the public regarding the proposed zoning and request feedback from the citizens.

ITEM 4

Councilmember Reports

There was none.

ITEM 5

Mayor Korry Soper

Mayor Soper reported on the following:

- Attended UMPA Board meeting and business is running as usual with not much change due to the Covid-19 epidemic. The Agency is financially stable and is continuing to add to the reserve fund.
- UMPA is required by the state to have 20 percent of the resources as renewables and is continuing to review these renewables.
- The Green Xchange Yard Equipment Rebates Program will be available to the citizens beginning May 1st.

ITEM 8

Consideration of Minutes From Previous Meeting

The Mayor directed Councilmembers to the draft minutes from the April 1st council meeting. After brief discussion, seeing there were no errors or changes noted, he called for motions to accept the minutes as presented.

ACTION TAKEN

Councilmember Darren Dyreng made the motion to accept the minutes of the April 1st regular council meeting, seconded by Councilmember Mary Wintch. Councilmembers voting “aye”: Darren Dyreng, Mary Wintch, Jason Vernon, Jason Maylett and Gary Chidester. Councilmembers voting “nay”: none.

ITEM 9	City Manager's Report
<p>City Manager Kent Barton reported on the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Working on tentative budget and will have ready in May for review. Public hearing must be held in June for both budget and adjustments. • Involved in a Task Force created by ULCT with other city managers regarding the effect Covid-19 may have on budgeting for the new fiscal year. A report will be finalized and provided to the Governor for review. • Reported that employees are staying busy and supervisors will report at a subsequent council meeting. • Advised that dumpsters are now available for community clean-up and a notice will be included in the utility bill. The dumpster is located at approximately 500 North 200 West. • Spring soccer has been cancelled but will plan on fall soccer. Summer baseball and softball has been placed on hold until the “stay at home” order is lifted. • Indicated that he had issues dealing with litigation and property negotiations for discussion in closed session. 	
ACTION TAKEN	
<p>Mayor Soper then called for a motion to move into executive session to discuss issues dealing with litigation and property negotiation. Councilmember Mary Wintch made the motion and Councilmember Gary Chidester seconded. Councilmembers voting “aye”: Mary Wintch, Gary Chidester, Darren Dyreng, Jason Maylett and Jason Vernon. Councilmembers voting “nay”: none.</p> <p>RETURNED TO REGULAR SESSION FOLLOWING CLOSED SESSION</p> <p>The bills were presented for payment. Following review by the Mayor and Council, Councilmember Gary Chidester moved to pay the bills and adjourn, seconded by Councilmember Jason Vernon. Councilmembers voting “aye”: Gary Chidester, Jason Vernon, Jason Maylett, Mary Wintch and Darren Dyreng. Councilmembers voting “nay”: none.</p>	
ADJOURNED	8:50 P.M.
NEXT MEETING DATE	Regular Council Meeting – May 6, 2020

General Account

Utah State Tax Commission	\$ 132.55
Pam Lund	1,200.00
Kent Barton	294.76
Utah's Airport Operators Conference	150.00
Breezy Anderson	40.00
Bryan Bies	75.00
Jake Nielson	84.68
Kent Barton	262.82
Melynda Ward	75.00
State Heat Office	84.68
Isaac Peterson	262.82
Mountain America Credit Union	75.00
Utah Municipal Power Agency	32.72
CPB	10.00
Bankcard Center	485.00
Jared Jenkins	106,833.02
Utah State Treasurer	20,709.00
Utah Yard Bark	2,254.88
United States Treasury	24.88
Jake Nielson	52.00

JoAnn Otten, City Recorder