

MINUTES
MANTI CITY COUNCIL MEETING
MAY 2, 2012
6:30 P.M.

Mayor Natasha R. Madsen in chair and presiding.

Roll call showed Councilmembers Vaun Mickelsen, Loren Thompson and Darren Dyreng present. Councilmember Jason Vernon had advised he would be absent from the meeting and Councilmember Korry Soper said he would be late.

1. Mayor Madsen recognized the 2012 Miss Manti Royalty Kristalyn Cluff, Queen, Melanie Mitsvotai First Attendant and Anna Olsen, Second Attendant.

Kristalyn stated that her platform is "Be a Player in the Game". She will provide a power point presentation to the elementary school, which will help the students work as a team and develop fundamentals needed to develop a love for our country.

Melanie reported that her platform is "Reading is Succeeding" and hopes to help young children develop a love for reading. She stated that she volunteers her time at the Manti Public Library every Friday afternoon to read children books at Story Hour and also helps the Library prepare for the summer reading program.

Anna said that her platform is "Kind Plus Smart Equals Important". It is her hope this will promote the importance of the teaching children in the hope to place kindness in their hearts.

Mayor Madsen congratulated the Miss Manti Royalty and hoped they would be willing to assist in community events and projects during their reign.

2. Mayor Madsen recognized ZAN Office Mike Tillack.

Mike provided a work report and said that he has been repairing the sprinkler leaks and the air conditioning systems in the City Building and City Complex. He said that the installation of the drinking fountain in the library has been a little more extensive than planned but will be completed in the next week.

Mike reported on animal control issues particularly dogs running loose, raccoons and horses. He said that the new pound is almost complete and will provide five full size kennels in addition to the nine located at the old pound.

Mayor Madsen said that Sandra Correnti has signed the agreement wherein she will be selling dog tags door to door. She will be meeting with Mike and the Recorder/Administrator to go over the details of the plan. Mayor Madsen felt this would help solve the current dog problems within six months.

3. Mayor Madsen recognized Electrical Superintendent Gene Rogers.

Gene provided samples of prints for pole banners for review by the Mayor and Council and after some discussion it was the consensus of the Mayor and Council that Mayor Madsen obtain additional banner samples.

Gene provided a report showing work completed by the Electrical Department and he also reported that UMPA will reimburse Manti City for work completed on the two power plants.

Gene said that the electrical department had used the bucket truck to check the Patten House chimney and repairs are being made. He also reported that radio communication, which replaced the wire line, is now available with the upper power plant. He said a billing has been sent to the Pioneer Heritage Association for damage to the electrical boxes.

Gene stated the policy regarding tree trimming from 1983. The electrical department has not trimmed trees for many years as they were working to upgrade the street lighting system. In the past two to three years they have started trimming trees again and have been to at least three training sessions relative to tree trimming. The Electrical Department has been criticized for the way trimming occurs and he felt they are doing a great job as they have done this for over 30 years.

Councilmember Soper arrived at the meeting.

Gene explained that tree trimming occurs between October and March and Mayor Madsen had requested two trees be cut down at the south end of town as soon as possible. He requested that the trees be trimmed in the fall and not cut completely down as they are the only source of shade in that area. Some discussion ensued and Councilmember Dyreng said he would like to see the trees cut down. It was the consensus of the Mayor and Council to discuss this item with the Tree Committee Chair.

4. Mayor Madsen recognized Public Works Director Dale Nielson.

Dale reported that work on the flood channel is near completion and that NRCS had advised there was additional funding which would make it possible to complete two additional areas. He said that the crew has been working on the channel moving debris and would begin spring clean up on Monday, May 7th.

Councilmember Soper inquired as to when the fire station parking lot would be completed and Dale said that bids had been received but no action had been taken. Some discussion ensued.

Mayor Madsen noted that the flower baskets have been planted and would be ready to hang on Main Street on May 23rd.

Councilmember Thompson inquired if the swimming pool would be ready to open and Dale reported that the cover has been removed and small repairs would take place. It was noted that Scott Olsen will be making repairs on the slide in the middle of May.

5. Mayor Madsen made reference to the budget as presented and inquired as to any action by the City Council. She noted that the budget included a 3 percent raise for employees.

Councilmember Dyreng stated that he would encourage money be earmarked for the street façade project in 2012/2013.

Following some additional discussion Councilmember Loren Thompson moved that Manti City adopt the tentative budget for 2012/2013 as presented at the City Council meeting of May 2, 2012 seconded by Councilmember Vaun Mickelsen. Councilmembers voting “aye”: Loren Thompson, Vaun Mickelsen, Korry Soper and Darren Dyreng. Councilmembers voting “nay”: none.

Mayor Madsen reminded the City Council that Gary Keddington, Financial Advisor, will present a financial training course on May 16th at 5:30 p.m. She also noted that the budget hearing is scheduled for June 6th at 6:15 p.m.

6. Mayor Madsen said that Fred Taukei’aho of Fred’s Sports Grill was not in attendance but the Deputy Recorder had information relative to his request.

Deputy Recorder Otten reported that Fred is requesting permission to extend his business license during the Mormon Miracle Pageant to his home at 393 North Main Street as has been done for the past two years.

Councilmember Loren Thompson then moved that Fred’s Sports Grill be given permission to extend the business license during the Mormon Miracle Pageant to 393 North Main, seconded by Councilmember Darren Dyreng. Councilmembers voting “aye”: Loren Thompson, Darren Dyreng, Korry Soper and Vaun Mickelsen. Councilmembers voting “nay”: none.

7. Mayor Madsen recognized Antonette Price who had requested time for public comment.
Ms. Price said she was interested in purchasing a sewing table and other furnishings that were in the MIBA building. Some discussion ensued after which Mayor Madsen said that Manti City would need to inventory the building and would be in touch with Ms. Price.
8. Councilmember Dyreng reported that the MIBA committee is meeting and preparing for Pageant.
He inquired if a bid had been received relative to the Senior Citizens façade and the Deputy Recorder said that Bown's have inspected the building but no bid has been received.
Councilmember Dyreng said he would like to see the two trees at the south end park removed and not just trimmed.
9. Councilmember Mickelsen reported that the Arbor Day celebration was a success and a tree had been planted in the south end park.
10. Councilmember Thompson said he had missed the Library Board meeting but felt the Board was informed of the budget and any problems would be handled.
Councilmember Mickelsen made note of a meeting scheduled with UDOT on May 15th at 9:00 a.m. in the Sanpete County Courthouse.
Councilmember Thompson reported on the Irrigation meeting wherein all incumbent Board members were voted to another term. It had been requested that Manti City appoint an Adhoc non-voting Board member to represent the citizens who would be appointed by the Mayor.
11. Mayor Madsen made note of the following . . .
 - a. Leon Pexton of UMPA will be retiring in June of 2013 and his replacement will work with him for a period of six-months prior to his retirement.
The UMPA cash flow is tight and UMPA will be working on a loan with Zions Bank to help the cash flow for operating O&M.
The Bonanza plant has received the go ahead to build a waste coal fired plant which will take four years to complete and is conducting financial feasibility study.
 - b. Met with Nathan Lee of UDOT who had provided a letter regarding right of way along US-89 and the Pioneer Heritage Project (attached to and made part of the minutes).
UDOT will be completing the four-lane highway between Manti and Ephraim in 2014.
She also recommended to UDOT that the speed limit at the north entrance of Manti be dropped to 35 mph.
 - c. A contract has been signed between Manti City and Sandra Correnti, which will allow her to collect dog tag fees for 2012 door to door.
 - d. Peterson Studios will be working on photos for the website.
 - e. Made note of the draft contract between Manti City and the Beal's for the cattle driveway.
 - f. A new member of the Appeals Authority should be appointed in the near future.

- g. Spring clean up is scheduled for May 7th through May 11th.
- h. The Manti Arts Council is sponsoring a Spring Choral and Instrumental Chamber Concert Saturday, May 19th at 7:00 p.m. in the Manti Tabernacle.
- i. Made note of the position opening of Recorder/Administrator.
- j. Requested an inventory of the contents in the MIBA building be scheduled when time permits.
- k. Requested a plaque be ordered honoring Vern Buchanan for his work on the old city hall.

12. The bills were presented for payment and following review, Councilmember Loren Thompson moved the bills be paid as presented and as money becomes available, seconded by Councilmember Korry Soper. Councilmembers voting “aye”: Loren Thompson, Korry Soper, Vaun Mickelsen and Darren Dyreng. Councilmembers voting “nay”: none.

The meeting adjourned at 8:30 p.m.

General Account

Breanne Keisel	\$ 320.00
Comfort Inn	2,108.97
Justin Aagard	40.00
Emily Johnson	25.00
Kelli Carter	25.00
Peters Johnson	25.00
Gary & Lynette Davis	25.00
LS Forest Management Service	3,800.00
Mandy Sanders	15.56
Sharon Mower	29.21
Beth Thurston	67.19
Heather Atwood	125.17
Johnson Mark LLC	94.00
Utah Municipal Power Agency	64,683.78
Justin Aagard	40.00
Utah State Tax Commission	12,523.74
Manti Post Office	467.60

Natasha R. Madsen, Mayor

William A. Mickelson, Recorder/Administrator