

MINUTES  
MANTI CITY COUNCIL MEETING  
December 11, 2013  
6:30 P.M.

Mayor Natasha R. Madsen in chair and presiding. Roll call showed Councilmembers Darren Dyreng, Vaun Mickelsen, Ryan Phelps and Korry Soper present. Councilmember Jason Vernon was excused. The Mayor welcomed all present and invited Boy Scout Adam DeMill to lead all in the pledge of allegiance. Afterwards, the Mayor presented Adam with a copy U.S. Constitution and other founding documents of the United States of America.

Mayor Madsen recognized Jolynn Hodson, and Sonia DeMill, officers of the Manti Volunteer Ambulance Association, along with several other members of the association. Sonia DeMill approached acting as spokesperson for the group. DeMill explained the need to expand and upgrade the ambulance facility. She explained that the current building, which is owned by Manti City, has structural and mold issues and that the county building inspector advised that the addition (west 1/3 of building) be removed as it is pulling away from the main structure. DeMill explained that the association has to meet off-site for its meetings and trainings and all materials have to be transported for those purposes. She then distributed drawings of a proposed upgrade and addition to the building, which included the demolition of the addition, to be replaced by a 44 foot addition to the west as well as adding a 2<sup>nd</sup> story the addition and across the existing building. The new building would include 3 bays for ambulances including a washing bay, classroom facilities for training and a new restroom and kitchen facilities on the main floor. Upstairs would be another classroom / training room, storage, and an office. Approximately half of the 2<sup>nd</sup> floor (above the existing building) would be left open as a large covered patio and would be available for future build out as needs may arise. Discussion ensued and Mrs. DeMill addressed questions from several members of the Council. Mayor Madsen asked what the estimated costs of the upgrades would be. DeMill stated that they had not yet sought bids, but were first wanting permission from the Council to modify the city-owned building. Administrator Kent Barton explained that the ambulance association has approximately \$250,000 of cash to dedicate to the project, but as the city owns the building, any additional financing that may be required for the project would require the city become involved. Mayor Madsen pointed out a CDBG grant may be a potential source of funding. Discussion ensued and the consensus of the council unanimously supported allowing the association to modify the city-owned building.

The Mayor asked if any of the Councilmembers had items to report.

Darren Dyreng congratulated Mayor Madsen on her 20 years of public service to the community as Mayor and Councilmember.

Vaun Mickelsen echoed praise for the Mayor. He also complimented the crew on keeping the streets clear of snow and ice. Mickelsen also reported the Arbor Committee is preparing a presentation for the Council.

Korry Soper recognized and expressed appreciation for the efforts of the committee volunteers that organized the "Light Parade". He reported that there were 26 entrants this year and said that the number

and quality of entries improves each year. Mayor Madsen echoed praise for the committee and also commented that the new lights on Main Street look fabulous. She also suggested that maybe an “Ugly Sweater Contest” may be part of the celebration next year.

Ryan Phelps asked Kent Barton if UDOT had made a determination on striping crosswalks on Main Street at 100 North. Barton responded that they have not.

Mayor Madsen reported on the following:

- The Library is operating well within budget
- Reserves (PTIF funds) are growing nicely.
- Received “thank you” card from the Jr. Livestock Show.
- Scott Bartholomew, Fayette Town Mayor, selected as the new Sanpete County Commissioner to replace Jon Cox.
- Speculated that a dog from Manti had gotten into her son’s sheep and done serious damage. Stated that she feels it important that we implement a system to get more dogs registered.
- Mentioned the “Count My Vote” initiative that is being pushed heavily by incumbents to replace our current “Caucus” process with “Primary Elections”. She stated that the state GOP leadership says this is bad for rural areas and benefits those with money.
- Mentioned email from Commissioner Jarrett regarding HB142 dealing with transfer of property from Federal to State control.

Mayor Madsen then asked the Council if there were any changes to be made to the draft version of the minutes from the November 20<sup>th</sup> Council meeting. None were noted. She then called for a motion to accept the minutes as presented. Vaun Mickelsen made that motion, Darren Dyreng seconded. Councilmembers voting “aye”: Darren Dyreng, Vaun Mickelsen, Ryan Phelps and Korry Soper. Councilmembers voting “nay”: none.

Administrator Kent Barton reported on the following:

- Received check for \$5,000 grant from the State of Utah Division of State History as reimbursement for the upgrades and repairs the city covered for the Legion Hall.
- Advised the Mayor and Council that the Sanpete County Planning Commission has scheduled a hearing next week on December 17<sup>th</sup> at 2:45 to consider request by Matt Christensen to subdivide his property which adjoins Manti City owned property east of town along 300 North Street.
- Reminded the Mayor and Council of the “Elected Leaders Training” sponsored by the Utah League of Cities and Towns, which will be held this Saturday at Snow College.
- Advised the Council that Vern Buchanan had authorized purchase of materials for repairs that are needed at Old City Hall on the railings and balustrade. Said that he instructed Buchanan not to proceed with any further expense without approval from the Council.
- Stated that he had issues dealing with personnel and property negotiation for discussion in closed session.

The Mayor called for a motion to move into closed session to discuss property negotiation and personnel matters. Vaun Mickelsen made that motion, Darren Dyreng seconded. Councilmembers voting “aye”: Darren Dyreng, Vaun Mickelsen, Ryan Phelps and Korry Soper. Councilmembers voting “nay”: none.

REGULAR MEETING RESUMED FOLLOWING EXECUTIVE SESSION.

The bills were presented for payment. Following review by the Mayor and Council, Councilmember Soper moved that they be paid as presented and as money becomes available. Seconded by Councilmember Mickelsen. Councilmembers voting “aye”: Darren Dyreng, Vaun Mickelsen, Ryan Phelps and Korry Soper. Councilmembers voting “nay”: none.

The meeting adjourned at 8:40 pm.

General Account

Law Office of Edwin Parry	\$ 103.85
US Department of Education	141.00
Utah Recovery Services	180.00
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Kenny Keller	263.43
Abbey Inn	89.20
Kent Barton	909.49
Jordan Allsop	10,522.00
Mountain America Credit Union	465.00
Justin Aagard	40.00
Manti Post Office	476.58
Mel Clark, Inc.	41,628.56
Sunrise Engineering	6,702.84
Bankcard Services	665.22

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Korry L. Soper, Mayor

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Kent Barton, Recorder/Administrator