

Manti City Council Meeting

MINUTES

DECEMBER 11, 2019
6:30 PM

MANTI CITY BUILDING
50 SOUTH MAIN STREET

MEETING CALLED BY	Mayor Korry L. Soper
TYPE OF MEETING	Regular Council Meeting
ATTENDEES	Mayor: Korry Soper Councilmembers: Gary Chidester, Darren Dyreng, Jason Vernon and Mary L. Wintch City Manager: Kent Barton
ABSENT	Councilmember Jason Maylett (excused) Recorder JoAnn Otten (excused)
WELCOME	Mayor Soper
PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE	Led by Mayor Soper

Agenda Items

ITEM 1	Steve and Alexis Sorenson - Update Concerning 1st Annual Manti Christmas Festival
<p>Steve and Alexis provided an update to the Council concerning the upcoming Manti Christmas Festival, which they have planned and organized for this coming Saturday at Manti High School. Alexis said the festival will include the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• 17 vendors• Several food trucks• Local Choirs• Entertainment• Food tasting contest• Eating contest• Kids' Corner• Craft booths• Visits from the Grinch and Santa Claus	

Steve said they will be setting up on Friday evening and said any assistance would be appreciated.

CONCLUSIONS

The Mayor expressed appreciation and said he looked forward to being a judge at the food tasting contest.

ITEM 2

Discussion Concerning Progress of Downtown Zoning Proposal

The Mayor stated that the Council had solicited and received several suggestions in writing from Main Street merchants concerning the proposed "downtown commercial zoning changes". He then noted that based on that feedback, the Council and staff have been working on modifications and advised that the next step in the process is to plan another meeting with the Main Street merchants to present those changes.

CONCLUSIONS

Discussion ensued and it was determined that the meeting would be scheduled for Thursday January 16th at 6:30 PM. The Mayor directed Kent Barton to notify the Main Street merchants in the affected zone.

ITEM 3

Financial Report

Kent Barton reviewed the October financial statements and made report to the Council concerning the city's finances. He noted that with 33% of the fiscal year completed, the city has received about 30% of budgeted revenues and spent about 34% of budgeted expenses. Concerning revenues, he explained that the reason we are running slightly behind is due to the seasonality in receiving some payments, such as a quarterly property tax payment that will be received later this month. Similarly, concerning expenses, Barton noted that one-time payments made early in the fiscal year, such as debt service for the pool and sports complex show those departments running ahead of schedule, but will come back into line with the budget as time passes.

DISCUSSION

Some discussion ensued and Barton addressed several questions from the members of the Council.

ITEM 4

Continuing Business

There was no continuing business brought up for discussion.

ITEM 5	Public Comment
There was no public comment made	

ITEM 6	Councilmember Reports
<p>Mary Wintch reported on library matters including the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The replacement of the laminator. • Smithsonian poster display being prepared • Discussed the state library board’s decision to begin assessing a charge to rural libraries for their participation in the “e-books” program. <p>Gary Chidester reported on the recent “Fly-in” event where Santa Claus arrived by plane at the Manti-Ephraim Airport, with a load of Christmas toys. This year’s recipient of the gifts were students of Ephraim Elementary School.</p>	

ITEM 7	Mayor Soper
<p>The Mayor advised updated the Council on the recent UMPA Board meeting, noting that the auditing firm has made its report and that the agency received a clean audit. He also reporting on the planned solar project between UMPA and S-Solar which is planned to begin construction near Mona in Juab County.</p>	

ITEM 8	Consideration of Minutes From Previous Meeting
<p>The Mayor directed Councilmembers to draft minutes from the previous regular council meeting, and a recent work meeting. After brief discussion, seeing there were no errors or changes noted, he called for motions to accept the minutes a presented of those two meetings.</p>	
ACTION TAKEN	
<p>Mary Wintch made the motion to accept the minutes of the October 20th Regular Council Meeting, Gary Chidester seconded. Councilmembers voting “aye”: Gary Chidester, Darren Dyreng, Jason Vernon and Mary Wintch. Councilmembers voting “nay”: none.</p> <p>Darren Dyreng made the motion to accept the minutes of the November 22nd work meeting concerning commercial zoning, Jason Vernon seconded. Councilmembers voting “aye”: Gary Chidester, Darren Dyreng, Jason Vernon and Mary Wintch. Councilmembers voting “nay”: none.</p>	

City Manager Kent Barton reported on the following:

- Reported on Meeting with Census represented concerning next year's census. Noted efforts to get all residents to participate as federal funding is tied to population and every person counted in Utah equates to over \$1800. Suggested that we include census reminders in our utility bills.
- Explained new Statewide Utility License Agreement has been executed.
- Updated on efforts to finalize Hazard Mitigation Plan to submit to Six County Associations of Governments.
- Summarized recent meeting with Ilene Roth concerning the upcoming 18th Annual Big Daddy Rat Fink Reunion. Explained that they discussed efforts to expand the event and to include Rat Fink themes in other community events such as a softball tournament or Halloween Party.
- Met with 4th of July planning committee to discuss plans to expand our celebration. Discussed possibility of moving the seating area for the fireworks show to the Sports Park.
- Met with ATV committee to discuss plans for next year's ride. Said they are considering two events next year – one in July and another in September.
- Met with Dallas Cox and Andy Adamson, representatives of the Trail Builder's group to discuss city financial support for the group's efforts to construct pedal bike and multi-use trails. Barton said he had also asked them for a preliminary plan of a trail system design they are proposing for the city-owned north hills property east of the Temple.
- Advised of Local Official's Day at the Utah Legislature in January, and asked if any are interested in attending to advise him or JoAnn Otten.
- Referred Council members to recent articles concerning Short Term Rentals, which he has included in the packet.
- Related that after discussions with legal counsel, he advises that we send a letter to all short-term rentals in the community notifying them they are required to obtain a business license and advising them of their responsibility to collect and submit sales taxes to the state.
- Displayed a recent photo of the MIBA Building site showing that it has been almost entirely removed during the past 2 weeks.

ACTION TAKEN

Seeing there was no additional business to conduct, at 7:40 P.M., the Mayor asked that the bills to be presented for payment and called for a motion to pay the bills and adjourn. Jason Vernon made the motion, Mary Wintch seconded. Councilmembers voting "Aye": Gary Chidester, Darren Dyreng, Jason Maylett, Jason Vernon and Mary Wintch. Councilmembers voting "Nay": none.

ADJOURNED	7:40 PM
NEXT MEETING DATE	Regular Council Meeting – January 8 th 2020 at 6:30 PM

General Account

Blake Meacham	\$ 80.00
Anthony Henningson	60.00
Tyson Brenchley	40.00
Korie Cox	40.00
Colleen Lewis	128.00
Brent Boylan	400.00
Rebecca Walk	66.00
Utah Municipal Power Agency	91,670.53
Bankcard Center	3,573.10
Randy Nielson	1,300.00

Korry L. Soper, Mayor

JoAnn Otten, City Recorder