

MINUTES  
MANTI CITY COUNCIL  
AUGUST 18, 2010  
7:15 P.M.

Mayor Natasha R. Madsen in chair and presiding. Roll call showed Councilmember Loren Thompson, Vaun Mickelsen, Galen Christiansen, Alan Justesen and Korry Soper present.

Mayor Madsen noted that a quorum was present and requested those present join in the Pledge of Allegiance.

1. Mayor Madsen recognized ZAN Officer Mike Tillack.

Mike presented a work report and reviewed same. He said that he has received many requests for traps to catch raccoons and cats as this is a huge problem in Manti. He stated that his job is actually two full-time positions combined into one and when he focuses on one the other work load actually suffers.

Some discussion ensued relative to solving the problem of feral cats and educating the public on reducing the number of cats in town. Mike reported that due to a high volume of requests for traps a list is kept and traps delivered as soon as possible. He is also continuing to work with nuisance areas in town.

Mike said a spray was obtained through the USU Extension Service which eliminated the bat smell in the library, however, this would not solve the problem. He made note of an estimate from Pest Control, a professional firm, to remove the bat problem.

Councilmember Soper inquired if the problem on 100 West Union had been solved and Mike reported that a ticket was issued and would now be handled in the court system.

Mayor Madsen asked how many dog licenses have been sold this year and Mike said he would check on same. He inquired of the Mayor and Council if a new policy could be developed to provide dog licenses which would expire in two years instead of one at an increased fee. Some discussion ensued with it being the consensus of the Council that a draft policy be provided for review.

Mayor Madsen referenced a memorandum relative to diseased or injured animals.

Mike said that it is the general practice that if an animal, which is diseased or injured, is picked up by Manti animal control and has no evidence of a City license the animal is taken to "Wagon Train" which usually places the animal with a veterinarian for evaluation and treatment. He felt that a policy should be in place regarding this practice.

Mayor Madsen said this is one of the reasons citizens should license their animals and requested a draft policy be provided.

2. Mayor Madsen recognized Darlene Blackham and Norma McDonnell representing the DUP.

Darlene stated that Manti City owns the historical Patten House but the DUP maintains the artifacts inside the building. She thanked the Mayor and Council for their continual support in the upkeep and repair of the building.

Norma said that the bricks on the north chimney are falling and for safety purposes should be repaired.

Darlene also reported that the sprinkler is continuing to hit the building and asked if this could also be attended to. Mayor Madsen instructed Deputy Recorder JoAnn Otten to follow up on these requests.

3. Mayor Madsen referenced the memorandum relative to the right of way west of Manti City. She noted that this right of way described on the plats is actually Manti City property therefore the discussion is property ownership, not accommodations. She then asked the feelings of the Council.

It was the consensus of the City Council that Manti City retain ownership of this property and the problem be worked out between the buyer and seller.

4. Mayor Madsen said the matter of burial of indigent persons should be discussed and referenced a draft policy. Councilmember Justesen noted that the second paragraph was a bit confusing and requested the draft policy be reworked. The Mayor and Council concurred.

5. Mayor Madsen requested the City Council review the statements given at the public hearings regarding the vacating and sale of 100 East Street and that this item be placed on the agenda at a later date. She noted that a satisfactory agreement must be made with the Cattlemen's Association prior to signing.

Councilmember Justesen felt that if the City expands the corral at the mouth of the canyon, an agreement should be set stating if the corral is ever not required for use, the cattlemen do not retain the right to use the property.

He also felt that a route on the east side of town would be the ideal area for the moving of the cows and Councilmember Christiansen concurred noting this should be pursued.

6. Mayor Madsen directed that the council meeting of September 15<sup>th</sup> be changed as the Utah League of Cities meetings in Salt Lake City are the same day. It was the consensus that the meeting be changed to September 14, 2010.

7. Mayor Madsen recognized Ron Jensen.

Mr. Jensen said he had been invited to the Council meeting by Public Works Director Dale Nielson relative to his property located at 301 North Main Street and referenced a letter received from Recorder/Administrator William Mickelson.

Mayor Madsen said the issue of placing logs on City property to prevent parking in that area had been brought to the attention of the City Council. Councilmember Soper felt that placing green timbers on city property creates a traffic hazard.

Mr. Jensen said that large trucks and trailers park in front of his driveway and leave their engine running which creates a problem for him. He wants to stop this action and he asked the Council how they would solve the problem.

Councilmember Soper indicated that "no parking" or "limited time parking" signs could be placed there. Mr. Jensen had placed no parking signs and hoses in the area but had been asked by Manti City to remove them from City property.

Mayor Madsen recommended that Mr. Jensen remove the logs and plant grass and inquired if the Council would agree to this. It was the consensus that Mr. Jensen remove the logs, and be allowed to place no "parking signs" replace the hose and possibly plant grass.

8. Councilmember Christiansen reported that Robert Keller is selling his home at 200 North Street east and inquired if this would be of interest to Manti City for future road expansion east. Some discussion ensued.

9. Councilmember Justesen inquired if any action had been taken to repair the boiler at the swimming pool and Deputy Recorder JoAnn Otten said this has not yet been done.

Councilmember Justesen asked if the tenants of the MIBA Building had responded. Deputy Recorder Otten said that Kinship Boats has made a payment and Mr. Ashton of Hunter Composites had requested to meet with the City Council on September 1<sup>st</sup>.

10. Mayor Madsen made note of the following items . . .
- a. Individuals have made inquiry relative to the repair of Union Street east and if the area behind the Senior Citizens Center will be part of the road project this year.
  - b. Attended a meeting with Rocky Mountain Recycling which has a bailer for recycling plastic.
  - c. Reminder that fall clean up will begin August 30th through September 3<sup>rd</sup>.
  - d. The property purchase from Mr. Merten has been completed.
  - e. There will be a meeting between Manti City and the Irrigation Company on Thursday, August 19<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 p.m.
  - f. Eileen Howe has resigned from the Planning Commission and a replacement will need to be appointed.
  - g. Noted she has two items for executive session.

11. The Mayor directed the minutes of August 4, 2010 be reviewed and following the review Councilmember Christiansen moved the minutes be approved, seconded by Councilmember Soper. Councilmembers voting “aye”: Galen Christiansen, Korry Soper, Alan Justesen, Loren Thompson and Vaun Mickelsen. Councilmembers voting “nay”: None.

12. The Deputy Recorder reported that the restaurant will be under new management and asked if the City Council will require a utility deposit placed for this account.  
Some discussion ensued after which it was the consensus that a \$200.00 deposit be required and a draft policy developed regarding high energy businesses.

The Deputy Recorder noted that Keen Impressions had requested that the power department provide assistance with placing a sign in front of their business. Councilmember Mickelsen moved that the electric department use the bucket truck to assist with placing sign at Keen Impressions, seconded by Councilmember Thompson. Councilmembers voting “aye”: Vaun Mickelsen, Loren Thompson, Galen Christiansen, Korry Soper and Alan Justesen. Councilmembers voting “nay”: none.

13. Councilmember Justesen moved that the City Council adjourn from regular session and reconvene in executive session to address legal and personnel matters, seconded by Councilmember Mickelsen. Councilmembers voting “aye”: Alan Justesen, Vaun Mickelsen, Loren Thompson, Korry Soper, Galen Christiansen. Councilmembers voting “nay”: none.  
Regular session reconvened after executive session.

14. The bills were presented for payment and following review Councilmember Thompson moved the bills be paid as presented and as money becomes available and the meeting adjourn, seconded by Councilmember Mickelsen. Councilmembers voting “aye”: Loren Thompson, Vaun Mickelsen, Korry Soper, Galen Christiansen and Alan Justesen. Councilmembers voting “nay”: none.

The meeting adjourned at 9:40 p.m.

General Account

Brayden Allen	\$ 25.00
Casey Allen	5.00
Corey Greenhalgh	10.00
Aubrey Jarvis	60.00
Lindsay Peterson	40.00
Kenny Peterson	60.00
Justin Aagard	40.00
Utah State Treasurer	1,835.07
Annette Squire	200.00
Girl Scout Troop	300.00
Ariel Mickelson	100.00
Deanna Mickelson	100.00
April Case	100.00
Miller's Bakery	6,812.88
D-Land Title	15,394.57
Cash Christiansen	255.75
Brad Bradley	40.00
SUU	500.00
Snow College	1,000.00

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Natasha R. Madsen, Mayor

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William A. Mickelson, Recorder/Administrator