

MANTI CITY COUNCIL MEETING

JANUARY 4, 2012

6:30 P.M.

Mayor Natasha R. Madsen in chair and presiding. Roll call showed Councilmembers Jason Vernon, Darren Dyreng, Korry Soper, Vaun Mickelsen and Loren Thompson present.

The Mayor stated that a quorum was present and led all present in the Pledge of Allegiance.

1. Mayor Madsen recognized ZAN Officer Mike Tillack.

Mike provided a work report to the Mayor and Council (which is attached to and made part of the minutes) for November and December and explained that he has been working on building maintenance for the past couple months and also the hanging of Christmas lights on Main Street.

He said that he had contacted the Gunnison Valley Animal Clinic relative to hosting a dog clinic, which will possibly be held the later part of February. He also reported that Wagon Train has donated an outside dog kennel to house dogs and thanked them for their contributions and support over the years.

Mike reported that the euthanasia class for 2012 will not be held in Utah and additional information will be forthcoming. He expressed some concern as to the ability to obtain the chemicals used in euthanizing. Mike then thanked the Mayor and Council for their support.

2. Mayor Madsen recognized Electrical Superintendent Gene Rogers.

Gene provided the December 2011 work report to the Mayor and each Councilmember which is attached to and made part of the minutes.

He reported that December has been a “catch up month” for the crew to use their remaining vacation days for 2011. He said that the electrical department is now trimming trees around the City and has also repaired and worked on equipment.

Gene then reviewed the 2011 annual report and some discussion ensued.

Gene said that Manti City has recently changed cell phone carriers and will be served by Manti Telephone Company. It was noted that this would be less expensive and also support local business.

He said that at this time Manti City does not have funding to change over to smart metering but he would continue to buy electronic meters until a change could be made. Additional discussion ensued.

Gene explained that in regards to the 46KV switch that UMPA will not participate in the cost of the switch but would participate in change of metering.

3. Mayor Madsen recognized Public Works Director Dale Nielson.

Dale reported on work thus far on the flood channel repairs and the additional work that will be completed in the spring. He noted that the concrete wall, located at 400 East 600 South, is complete but additional work will be needed in the channel.

He noted that Burke Lyon helped the city on the water line crossing at Brox as larger equipment was needed to complete the necessary work.

Additional discussion ensued relative to repair of the flood channel after which Dale reported that RCS has additional money through Sanpete County and he and the engineer had reviewed the possible project sites with RCS.

Dale said that a box culvert would be placed at 500 West and 200 South on the north side of the intersection which will be funded by Manti City.

Mayor Madsen thanked Dale for his considerable work in the flood channel.

4. Mayor Madsen then directed the matter of accepting the streets in the vicinity of the new LDS Stake Center be addressed. She noted that when the LDS Church was completing the Stake Center project that finishing of the road on the east side of the Stake Center, approximately 600 East, was not possible due to budget constraints. The Church had completed the roads to the north and the south of the Stake Center those being Union Street and 100 North.

However, the ground east of the Church is available for one-half of the road but the asphalt for that stretch of road did not happen and is not currently scheduled.

The Mayor noted that the LDS Church wants to turn the property for all of the adjacent roads over to Manti City. Staff recommendation is to accept the streets and record same then at least the City will have the property for the streets in place and can be developed when needed.

Public Works Director Dale Nielson said that all three streets abutting the Stake Center property have been designed. He said that once a road is put in by a developer the road has a one year warrantee and this would apply to Union Street and 100 North Street.

Dale said that Dale Cox is planning on surfacing one-half of the street along the east side of his property, 600 East Street, this coming year and also complete the top end of the cul-de-sac in that area. He recommended that the LDS Church be contacted and advised that this would be a good time to get the 600 East Street road completed.

Councilmember Vernon inquired if Manti City would be in a better position if the property is deeded to Manti City or if this would jeopardize the Church completing the oiling. Dale said that he felt it would be advantageous to the City to have the roads deeded to Manti City then at least the City would control the property. He did not feel it would jeopardize the obligation inferred by the Church for oiling.

Councilmember Thompson stated that he disagreed and felt that the road should be completed prior to being deeded. He felt that an escrow account set up by the Church should be in place so that money would be available to complete the road.

Dale then said that he would be willing to contact the Church architect and see if they could get the project underway or request representative from the LDS Church to come to Manti and address this matter with the City Council.

Councilmember Jason inquired as to an estimated cost relative to road development along the east side of Church properties. Dale said he would estimate the cost to be in the \$100,000 range.

Councilmember Thompson said that the Church should finish the project as initially planned.

Councilmember Soper said that the same standards should apply for the LDS Church as other developers.

Dale noted that this matter is handled at LDS Church headquarters level not on the local Stake President level and he felt this should be recognized.

Councilmember Vernon said he felt the recommended approach by Dale is excellent and he should contact the Church architect to indicate the finishing of 600 East Street could occur this year.

Councilmember Mickelsen commented that in the long run it would be advantageous for Manti City to own the property and even more advantageous for the road to be finished.

Councilmember Dyreng inquired as to why the Church may not want to develop 600 East Street if Dale Cox is doing his road. Dale said he felt that completing these two roads in concert

and completing 600 East with a tie in to 300 North Street would be advantageous to the Church as well as the City.

Councilmember Dyreng said that he felt the church should not be held to a different standard than other contractors.

Following some additional discussion the Mayor directed that Public Works Director Nielson communicate with the Church architect relative to completing 600 East Street during the coming summer work period. Dale is to keep the Council advised of communications and discussions with the LDS Church.

5. Mayor Madsen said that hiring a new employee in the electrical department should be discussed.

It was the consensus of the Mayor and Council that Manti City advertise in the local newspaper for an apprentice or journeyman/lineman with the job applications closing on January 20th and interviews the following week.

6. Mayor Madsen reported that she and Recorder/Administrator Bill Mickelson would be attending the Community Impact Board meeting Thursday, January 5th and inquired if any Councilmembers would like to attend. She explained that Manti City would be asking for money to help fund the sewer lagoon project and suggested that the Council think about holding public hearings or participate in Table Talk radio show to keep the public informed and updated on the project.

7. Mayor Madsen made note of the memorandum relative to compensation for use of property.

She explained that Barton Excavating had stored equipment on Mike Keisel's property during the flood channel repair on 500 South Street. This property was returned to its original condition and a fence was installed which constituted completion of the agreement that Barton Excavating had with Mr. Keisel. However Mr. Keisel has requested compensation from Manti City.

Some discussion ensued after which it was the consensus of the Mayor and Council that \$260.00 be credited to Mike Keisel's utility bill, which would constitute compensation for use of property by Manti City.

8. Mayor Madsen noted that Betty Amrine had requested time for public comment. Mrs. Amrine said she had no comments for this meeting.

9. Mayor Madsen inquired when the MIBA committee would be meeting to award the grants from the Pageant dinners. The Deputy Recorder said that a committee has been notified of the funds available for disbursement but no meeting set at this time.

10. Councilmember Soper inquired if the Mayor and Council would be interested in purchasing an overhead reader which would enable documents to be projected on the white board during council meetings. The Mayor and Council concurred with this and Councilmember Soper said he would follow up on same.

11. Councilmember Thompson reported that the south entrance sign to Manti City was in need of maintenance and felt that it may be time to look into new entrance signs that need less maintenance. The Council concurred.

12. Councilmember Vernon referenced a memorandum relative to a possible traffic control sign at 400 South 600 West and the Deputy Recorder was instructed to follow up on this matter.

Mayor Madsen requested that the new phone numbers of the crew be provided to each Councilmember.

Councilmember Vernon made inquiry relative to a memorandum concerning a sewer hook up fee at the Tim Black residence.

Deputy Recorder Otten explained that Mr. Black had provided a letter dated April 2, 1984 (which is attached to and made part of the minutes) confirming that the original hook-up fee was \$500.00 and would remain in effect for the duration of the sewer installation or until October 1, 1984. The Council concurred in honoring the \$500.00 hook up fee, as sewer has not been available for the Black's until the last few years.

Councilmember Vernon referenced two memorandums relative to water routing and water surface drainage and it was noted this would be an item for closed session.

12. Mayor Madsen made note of the following items . . .

- a. Provided an updated council assignment sheet.
- b. A Board of Adjustment member must be assigned to replace Councilmember Darren Dyreng.
- c. A newly elected officials training session sponsored by Utah League of Cities and Towns will be held in Ephraim on February 4th and encouraged interested parties to attend.
- d. The Rural Water Association conference will be held February 27th through March 2nd and the Utah Municipal Power Agency meetings will be held March 22nd.
- e. The Pool slide will be resurfaced by Scott Olsen and hoped this could be complete prior to May.
- f. Inquired if the Council had studied the Purchasing Authorization Policy and requested that this be on the agenda for the next meeting.
- g. The new Federal flood map has been adopted and will become effective as of May 4, 2012.
- h. Reminder of the work meeting for February 1st at 5:30 p.m.
- i. Rural Legislative Days will be January 27th from 9:00 a.m. to noon at the State Capital.
- j. Requested that the City Council provide a projects list for the next two to four years.

13. Mayor Madsen directed the minutes of the meeting of December 7, 2011 be addressed and following review Councilmember Vernon moved the minutes of the December 7th council meeting be approved as corrected, seconded by Councilmember Mickelsen. Councilmembers voting "aye": Jason Vernon, Vaun Mickelsen, Korry Soper, Darren Dyreng and Loren Thompson. Councilmembers voting "nay": none.

Following review of the minutes of the December 16, 2011 council meeting Councilmember Thompson moved the minutes be approved as presented, seconded by Councilmember Soper. Councilmembers voting "aye": Loren Thompson, Korry Soper, Darren Dyreng, Jason Vernon and Vaun Mickelsen. Councilmembers voting "nay": none.

14. Mayor Madsen said she had personnel and legal issues to be addressed and recommended the Council adjourn to closed session.

Councilmember Vernon moved that the Manti City Council meeting adjourn from regular session and convene in closed session to address personnel and legal matters, seconded by Councilmember Mickelsen. Councilmembers voting “aye”: Jason Vernon, Vaun Mickelsen, Korry Soper, Loren Thompson and Darren Dyreng. Councilmembers voting “nay”: none.

Regular session resumed following closed session.

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

The meeting adjourned at 9:40 p.m.

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| JoAnn Otten | \$100.00 |
| Josh Roundy | 190.00 |
| Caleb Roundy | 170.00 |
| Layton Homes | 45.00 |
| Mountain America Credit Union | 970.00 |
| U.S. Department of Education | 137.25 |
| Utah Department of Recovery Services | 155.00 |
| Utah Department of Recovery Services | 100.00 |
| Johnson Mark LLC | 94.00 |
| Granny’s Trunk Stuffers | 3.72 |
| Miller’s Bakery | 30.76 |
| JoAnn Otten | 43.00 |
| Stephen Johnson | 2,510.00 |
| Utah Municipal Power Agency | 66,408.39 |
| Manti Post Office | 433.16 |
| Richard Chamberlain | 575.00 |

Natasha R. Madsen, Mayor

William A. Mickelson, Recorder/Administrator