

MINUTES  
MANTI CITY COUNCIL MEETING  
FEBRUARY 1, 2012  
6:30 P.M.

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

Mayor Madsen stated there was a quorum present. She then led all present in the Pledge of Allegiance.

1. Mayor Madsen recognized Public Works Director Dale Nielson.

Dale reported that the City crew has been working on various projects including the sanding and repainting of the bollards located on Main Street, which are showing considerable paint degradation and rust. He noted that the crew is also sanding down and repainting the water towers for the swimming pool, which show considerable corrosion from the chlorine and are in need of repair and protection.

Mayor Madsen inquired as to the refacing for the City clock tower. Dale reported that Larry Lund, owner/operator of Main Auto, is working on that project as it involves specialty painting, etc. He estimated this work might not take place until warmer weather.

Councilmember Thompson inquired as to placing of a stop sign at the driveway entering Union Street west of the Armory. Some discussion ensued with it being noted there had been a stop sign at that location for several years and no one was aware of who may have removed that sign. Public Works Director said that the sign will be replaced.

Dale then reported that the yield signs at 400 South 600 West had been installed as requested.

Mayor Madsen inquired if any word had been received from the LDS Church relative to the streets in the vicinity of the new stake center. Dale said that he had a conversation with the engineer for this project who said he is following up on same. He noted that the timing of budget items for construction and church operations could usually run as long as nine months. He said that in all probability Dale Cox would not be putting in the streets for his development this year due to the extremely soft real estate market.

2. Mayor Madsen recognized Gene Rogers, Electrical Superintendent.

Gene presented a work report for January 2012 which is attached to and made part of the minutes.

Gene then presented quotes for banners from three separate firms for new Main Street banners. He also provided samples of material to be used for the banners and color types, etc.

Considerable general discussion ensued during which Councilmember Thompson requested Gene check with the Universal Impression firm in Manti to see if they can do this type of work.

Gene then mentioned the pole attachment agreement with CentrCom indicating that range has been from \$7.00 to \$8.00 and he felt \$7.00 would be adequate based on normal charges. Following some discussion Councilmember Mickelsen moved that a new pole attachment

agreement be initiated with CentraCom with a pole attachment cost of \$7.00 per year, seconded by Councilmember Vernon. Councilmembers voting “aye”: Vaun Mickelsen, Jason Vernon, Korry Soper and Darren Dyreng. Councilmember abstaining: Loren Thompson.

Gene made note of information from firms selling Christmas light stating this would be the appropriate time to purchase Christmas lights. Following some discussion the matter was tabled.

3. Mayor Madsen directed the City Recorder provide the mid-year budget report.

The City Recorder then provided a two-page recap of revenues and expenditures by department as of mid-year. He made special note of certain budget areas that will be considered for adjustment when the budget is opened in mid-March.

Some discussion ensued regarding specific line items and specific accounts.

4. Mayor Madsen made note of establishing a fund of the upgrade of facades on businesses in Manti. She noted that Kevin Christensen of Sanpete County Economic Development has requested a \$5,000.00 match from Manti City to add to the funds received from MIBA in the amount of \$3,500.00. Some discussion ensued after which it was the consensus of the Council to table this matter until Councilmember Thompson could meet with Kevin Christensen and invite him to a Council meeting to discuss the project with the City Council.

5. Councilmember Mickelsen made note of tree replacement activities that should be undertaken and inquired as to the assistance of the Tree Committee. Mayor Madsen reported that Michelle Palmer has agreed to be the Chair of the Tree Committee and Councilmember Mickelsen indicated he would follow up with her relative to replacement of trees in the community.

6. Councilmember Soper said he had a personnel matter to be addressed in executive session.

7. Councilmember Thompson reported on a meeting of the Library Board wherein they had been advised of \$865.00 profit from the Home Show and their intent to sponsor the Home Show for the following year. The Council approved the Library sponsoring the Home Show for 2012.

Councilmember Thompson said that he would be following up with the Youth Council on a matter involving the Library.

Councilmember Thompson noted that the Library would be applying for a grant that requires matching funds which had been promised by the Ladies Literary Club.

Councilmember Thompson noted that on March 3<sup>rd</sup> the Library will be hosting a “How to Write Your Life History” being taught by an individual with special knowledge in that area.

Councilmember Thompson then provided a handout for the soccer camp that will be scheduled for Manti in the month of July. A copy of this handout is attached to the minutes.

Councilmember Thompson said he planned to attend the Airport Board meeting which may include meeting with other airport operators in the County.

Councilmember Thompson also noted that he had received his W-2 from the City though it had been delivered with no stamps and marked insufficient postage.

9. Councilmember Vernon made reference of a request by the Easter Egg Committee for an increase in financial support from the City from \$1,000.00 to \$1,200.00 for the Easter Egg Hunt. Following some discussion Councilmember Vernon moved the \$1,200.00 in finance support for the Easter Egg Hunt be approved, seconded by Councilmember Dyreng. Councilmembers voting “aye”: Jason Vernon, Darren Dyreng, Vaun Mickelsen, Korry Soper and Loren Thompson. Councilmembers voting “nay”: none.

Councilmember Vernon made reference of a memorandum from the City Recorder relative to recreation facility estimates and some discussion ensued in regard to same.

Councilmember Vernon made note of a meeting scheduled with Utah Department of Transportation in May and felt that Manti City should develop some objectives to discuss with UDOT at that time. Some discussion ensued in regard to adjusting the speed on the Highway between Manti and Ephraim, additional highway development, etc.

10. Mayor Madsen made note of the following items . . .
- a. Requested Councilmembers prepare a list of projects that they would like to see addressed within the next two years and submit same at a council meeting in March.
  - b. Endorsed meeting with UDOT at their scheduled meeting on May 15<sup>th</sup> and specifically requested that Councilmember Mickelsen attend that meeting.
  - c. Made note of a request by the MIBA Committee relative to both a MIBA treasurer and having a Councilmember attend MIBA meetings. Councilmember Dyreng said he would be willing to meet with the committee for scheduled meetings.
  - d. Noted the City should join the Chamber of Commerce and the Recorder was directed to follow up on same.
  - e. Provided a copy of the Sheriff’s report along with a recap of data received that she had prepared relative to coverage provided by the Sanpete County Sheriff’s Department.
  - f. Addressed the rental of the City auditorium by the Freedom First Organization. It was the consensus of Mayor and Council that no charge be made to the Freedom First Organization if they did not sell items or charge admission.

11. The Mayor directed that the minutes of the previous two council meetings be considered.

The minutes of the January 4, 2012 council meeting were reviewed and the Mayor complimented Deputy Recorder JoAnn Otten on the excellent work in describing the matter of the streets in the vicinity of the LDS Stake Center.

The minutes were then reviewed and following review Councilmember Mickelsen moved the minutes be approved as corrected, seconded by Councilmember Vernon. Councilmembers voting “aye”: Vaun Mickelsen, Jason Vernon, Darren Dyreng, Korry Soper and Loren Thompson. Councilmembers voting “nay”: none.

The minutes of the January 18, 2012 council meeting were then reviewed and following review Councilmember Mickelsen moved the minutes be approved as corrected, seconded by

Councilmember Vernon. Councilmembers voting “aye”: Vaun Mickelsen, Jason Vernon, Loren Thompson, Korry Soper and Darren Dyreng. Councilmembers voting “nay”: none.

12. The City Recorder made note of the following items . . .
  - a. The Rural Water Association meeting scheduled for the end of February and first of March. The Mayor indicated she would be attending this conference, as did Councilmember Mickelsen.
  - b. Made note of the UMPA meeting scheduled for the third week of March and the Mayor advised she would be attending this meeting, as did Councilmembers Jason Vernon, Darren Dyreng, Vaun Mickelsen and Korry Soper.
  - c. Made note of the Legislative Update meeting which would be taking place on Friday, February 3<sup>rd</sup> in the Snow College Library at 6:00 p.m.
  - d. Made note of the ordinances that would need to be adopted by Manti City in order to legitimize the flood insurance program for Manti City. He said sample ordinances have been requested and would be forthcoming for Council consideration.
  - e. Requested an executive session to address property negotiation matters.

13. The Mayor indicated there were two items to be addressed in executive session and requested a motion to adjourn from open session to close session.

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

Regular session resumed following executive session.

14. Mayor Madsen directed the matter of hiring an individual for the electrical department be addressed.

Councilmember Soper noted that there had been some 26 applications for the position and 5 of those applicants had been interviewed. He stated that the grading applied for the candidates who had appeared for interview had uniformly placed Kenny Keller as the best applicant for the position. Councilmember Soper then moved that Manti City hire Kenny Keller at the grade he had been paid at the time of separation and that his step increase for which he had qualified at the time of separation be held in abeyance for a period of 6-month probation and if he served satisfactory during that time a step-increase could be awarded, seconded by Councilmember Mickelsen. Councilmembers voting “aye”: Korry Soper, Vaun Mickelsen, Darren Dyreng, Loren Thompson and Jason Vernon. Councilmembers voting “nay”: none.

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

The meeting adjourned at 9:22 p.m.

General Account

YCC Leadership	\$1,948.00
Utah League of Cities and Towns	120.00
Utah State Treasurer	1,040.53
Rural Water Association of Utah	350.00
Justin Aagard	40.00
Zions Bank	88,666.52
Erick Zeeman	40.00
Manti Post Office	84.66
Mike Tillack	76.50

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Natasha R. Madsen, Mayor Manti City

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William A. Mickelson, Recorder/Administrator