

MINUTES  
MANTI CITY COUNCIL MEETING  
SEPTEMBER 19, 2012  
6:30 P.M.

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

Mayor Madsen announced that a quorum of councilmembers was in attendance and called the meeting to order. She then invited all present to join in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Mayor Madsen recognized John Iverson of Sunrise Engineering. John reported that we still have not received results from the soil samples that were taken from the sewer lagoons and that as a result of the lateness of the season; we will likely wait until next spring to start on any of the construction. John reviewed the plan which originally called for the construction of a 4<sup>th</sup> lagoon but stated that due to difficulties in acquiring additional land, the decision was made to increase the depth of the current lagoons to allow for 8 feet of water. Councilmember Soper asked what depth of water the current lagoons would accommodate. "Eight feet" was John's reply. Councilmember Thompson asked if we would experience any issues with funding due to the delay. Mr. Iverson responded "no". Discussion ensued regarding options for land adjacent to the current lagoons. The mayor asked if there was any preference in expanding to the north or the east. John said the north expansion would be preferable only because we have already completed testing of the water table depth to the north and have not tested to the east. Mayor Madsen asked about the timetable for construction once the project is started. "Fairly quickly", was his reply. The Mayor thanked Mr. Iverson and excused him as he had another meeting to attend.

The Mayor asked City Administrator Kent Barton to report on the CIB grant application for upgrades to the airport. Barton reported that the total cost of the upgrades is \$2.5 million dollars and that our grant request would be for \$465,000. He reminded the council of a special council meeting on September 25 at 6pm during which there would be a hearing to take public comment regarding the planned project and grant application.

The Mayor asked that the discussion turn to councilmember reports. Councilmember Vernon reported on some of the sessions he attended at the recent Utah League of Cities and Towns convention. He said that he was particularly interested in those dealing with water issues. Vernon was then excused from the meeting to attend to another commitment.

Councilmember Thompson reported that the library board is currently seeking homes to participate in the holiday home show in December. He also questioned Mr. Barton about a problem with the rain gutter on the library.

Councilmember Soper asked about the schedule for the cement work at the fire station. Barton reported that there was not specific date set yet but that he expected the work to begin within 4 to 6 weeks. Soper also commented on the façade restoration at the Sr. Citizens Center. He then asked whether a request had come to the city by the sponsors of the referendum with regard to

producing an information packet. Barton stated that no such request had come and that the deadline for making the request had now passed.

Councilmember Mickelsen discussed the session at the recent League of Cities and Towns meetings dealing with emergency preparedness. Discussion ensued about various areas within the city that should be reviewed or addressed. Mickelsen asked Barton if the flood channel culvert near the Holmsteads was scheduled for replacement. Barton responded affirmatively.

Mayor Madsen addressed the following:

- Reported on the community performance of the “Aristocrats”, and recognized the talents of the children who participated as well as the dedicated work of Joe and Eloise Liddell in directing the play.
- Reported that Sandra Correnti will be returning to Manti soon and would still like to manage the dog licensing for the city.
- Reported that she had met with all city employees individually recently with the exception of Ray Johnson who was unavailable.
- Asked how the council felt about drawing for an i-pad in an effort to collect email addresses from our citizens. Councilmember Soper suggested we might also print a header on our utility bill to “follow us on FaceBook”
- Reported on a session at the League meetings where Craig Call discussed Appeal Authorities. According to Call, citizens may have more than one audience with a board of adjustment or appeal authority on a given issue. That information was contrary to what we had believed in the past.
- Asked the council if they would like to consider a procedure for “voting in absentia” when they are physically unable to attend a meeting. Some discussion ensued.

The Mayor asked that the minutes from the September 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2012 council meeting be reviewed. After no changes were noted or requested Vaun Mickelsen moved that the minutes be accepted as presented, Korry Soper seconded, voting aye were Vaun Mickelsen, Korry Soper and Loren Thompson. Voting nay, none.

City Administrator Kent Barton reported on the following:

- The application for the creation of an enterprise zone is completed but requires a vote of the council. He asked that we place this on the agenda for the upcoming October 3, 2012 meeting.
- Reported on the planned Emergency Water Roundtable which Manti City will host and is planned for October 9<sup>th</sup>. Extended invitations to the Mayor and council to attend the event.
- Discussed the need to clean our culinary water tanks. Reported that we have a bid from Liquid Engineering to do both tanks for \$3775.00 and that we plan to schedule the work for next spring.
- Informed the council that the state facilities inspector had toured the city complex this week and was delighted with the condition of the facility since his last inspection.
- Announced that he had items dealing with property negotiation to address in closed session.

Mayor Madsen said she would entertain a motion to adjourn to executive session and Councilmember Thompson moved that the City Council adjourn from regular session into closed session to address property negotiation issues. Councilmember Mickelsen seconded. Councilmembers voting “aye”: Vaun Mickelsen, Korry Soper and Loren Thompson. 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”: Loren Thompson, Korry Soper and Vaun Mickelsen. Councilmembers voting “nay”: none.

The meeting adjourned at 8:45 p.m.

General Account

John Baker	\$ 3,840.00
Federal Licensing, Inc.	119.00
Karen Christensen	65.79
Utah Municipal Power Agency	101,005.76
Justin Aagard	40.00
Tyler Albee	141.52
John Jensen	223.88
Utah Safety Council	31.00
Blake Demill	1,657.38
Kenny Keller	40.27
CO Building System	216.84
Manti Post Office	475.72
State of Utah	250.00

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Natasha R. Marsen, Mayor

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Kent Barton, Recorder/Administrator