

MINUTES
MANTI CITY COUNCIL MEETING
January 16, 2013
6:30 P.M.

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

The Mayor recognized John Iverson with Sunrise Engineering. Iverson reported that 13 contractors had bid on the sewer lagoon upgrade project. He said that 5 of those bids were under the engineers estimate of \$1,395,350.00. Mel Clark Inc. of Cedar City submitted the low bid of \$1,051,890.00. Iverson reported that he had checked with references regarding Mel Clark Inc.'s work and he had no reservations in recommending that the council accept the bid.

Councilmember Dyreng joined the meeting.

Following a few questions from the council to Iverson regarding the project timetable, the Mayor asked for a motion to accept Mel Clark Inc. as contractor for the sewer lagoon upgrade project. Korry Soper made that motion which was seconded by Loren Thompson. Councilmembers voting "aye": Darren Dyreng, Vaun Mickelsen, Korry Soper and Loren Thompson. Councilmembers voting "nay": none.

The Mayor thanked Iverson for his work on behalf of the city.

The Mayor noted the need for a public hearing regarding application for CDBG funding which she proposed for January 30th. She polled the council to make certain that at least 3 members would be in attendance. Councilmembers Dyreng, Mickelsen and Soper all indicated they would be available and would plan to attend.

Mayor Madsen invited Gary Keddington to approach. Keddington presented the audit report for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2012. He guided the council through the balance sheet, financial statements and the auditor's list of findings. Keddington noted that the audit had listed two deficiencies: one regarding a year-end accrual issue and another regarding and unclaimed property requirement. Keddington indicated that both issues involved isolated incidents, which had been fully researched and resolved.

Mr. Keddington entertained several questions from the council with regard to the current year's budget after which the Mayor thanked him for his expert work.

The Mayor asked Administrator Kent Barton to report on the desired acquisition of a track hoe. Barton reported that a machine has been identified and a price agreed upon with the seller at \$87,438.00. Barton answered questions from council members about the track hoe and made mention that it would also be necessary to locate a trailer for the track hoe. The Mayor asked for a motion from the council to make purchase of the track hoe for \$87,438.00. That motion was

made by Loren Thompson and seconded by Vaun Mickelsen. Councilmembers voting “aye”: Darren Dyreng, Vaun Mickelsen, Korry Soper and Loren Thompson. Councilmembers voting “nay”: none.

Mayor Madsen asked that discussion turn to the consideration of livestock trails. She explained that she, Councilmember Soper and Administrator Barton had met with Scott Miller on two occasions regarding his use of city streets to trail his cattle from his farm to Manti Canyon for summer range. The Mayor explained that Miller had been instructed that due to the city’s desire to sell a one block section of 100 East Street, which is no longer a through street, between 400 North and Main Street, the Council was considering consolidating the stock trails. She explained that the streets that would be designated as such would be 800 North, 500 West, 600 South, 300 East and 500 South. Miller expressed concerns that this would cause him great difficulty. The Mayor then offered an interim solution to allow Miller to use the traditional route of 100 East, 400 North, 300 East & 500 South, with the exception of the 100 East between 400 North and Main Street, where the cattle would need to be detoured on Main Street for one block to 400 north and then back to the traditional route. Mayor Madsen offered this accommodation to Miller for the 2013 and 2014 seasons.

After discussion the Mayor asked for a motion that the council designate the following as stock trails:

- 800 North (from 100 East to 500 West)
- 500 West (from 800 North to Hwy 89)
- 600 South (from 600 West to 300 East)
- 300 East (from 600 South to 500 South)
- 500 South (from 300 East to the Canyon)

Loren Thompson made that motion which was seconded by Vaun Mickelsen. The Mayor then asked for a roll call vote, which went as follows:

- Darren Dyreng voted “aye”
- Vaun Mickelsen voted “aye”
- Korry Soper voted “aye”
- Loren Thompson voted “aye”
- Jason Vernon was absent

The Mayor then asked that the council consider a motion for the drafting of a Memorandum of Understanding to Scott Miller outlining the accommodations for his purposes during the 2013 and 2014 seasons as outlined above.

Loren Thompson made that motion which was seconded by Korry Soper. The Mayor again asked for a roll call vote which went as follows:

- Darren Dyreng voted “aye”
- Vaun Mickelsen voted “aye”
- Korry Soper voted “aye”
- Loren Thompson voted “aye”
- Jason Vernon was absent

The Mayor asked for councilmember reports.

Councilmember Dyreng reported that the MIBA committee had met to consider the recommendation of uses for Pageant Dinner profits. He asked that a financial statement be delivered to each member of the committee and indicated that they would formulate recommendations at a future meeting. Dyreng also indicated that he had an item involving personnel for closed session.

Councilmember Mickelsen reported that he planned to attend both the Rural Water and UMPA conferences in February and March, respectively.

Councilmember Thompson noted that his electronic packet for tonight's meeting did not include the agenda and asked if that could be corrected in the future. He also asked that the city look at addressing the lack of streetlights on Union Street and 100 North leading west from the new Stake Center. There was discussion among the council that this request had been made over a year ago last year but had not been addressed. Mr. Barton agreed to follow up on the request. Mr. Thompson also asked about the Cascade oxygen tank filling system that the city purchased from Ephraim. He indicated that he had heard from one of the firemen that we don't have one. Barton agreed to discuss with John Jensen.

Mayor Madsen reported on the following:

- Commented on the letters that had gone out to business owners in the Enterprise Zone
- Noted that the filing date for municipal elections is June 3rd.
- Indicated that Bill Mickelson who plans to retire from the Rural Water Board next month asked her for permission to nominate Kent Barton to be considered by the board as his replacement. She reviewed the benefit this would be to the city but explained that it would take about 8 days each year out of the office and asked the council for permission. After discussion, the consensus was that this would be of benefit to city and that the nomination should be made.
- Reminded the council that the UMPA convention dates were March 21-23 and asked for a head count of who planned to attend.
- Shared a report from a recent UMPA board meeting which detailed the serious situation that looms with regard to our power rates due to continued and increased restrictions on coal fired power plants.
- Asked if Kent Barton attend a Six County grant writing seminar on February 6th at 11:00 am, and offered to attend if he was unable to do so.
- Discussed two planned hearings, on February 6th at 6:30 pm regarding funding for the sewer Lagoon upgrade project, and January 30th for the consideration of any CDBG funding that may be requested during 2013.
- Made mention of the yellow-dot program and distributed sample materials to council members.
- Asked the council for any input for the upcoming newsletter that she is in the process of drafting.
- Stated that the food bank issue remains up in the air at this point with no clear course of action being taken by the commissioners or larger communities in the county.
- Said that she had a personnel matter to discuss in closed session.

The Mayor then asked the council if there were any corrections proposed to the draft version of the minutes from the January 2nd council meeting.

A few typographical errors were noted after which Vaun Mickelsen made motion that the minutes be accepted as corrected. Darren Dyreng seconded the motion. Councilmembers voting “aye”: Darren Dyreng, Vaun Mickelsen, Korry Soper and Loren Thompson. Councilmembers voting “nay”: none.

City Administrator, Kent Barton, reported on the following:

- Reported on the EPA on-site review that was conducted on January 3rd at the MIBA Building. Distributed a copy of the “phase one” for the review of the council.
- Made mention of several handouts dealing with PUD issues that were included in the packet. Said that copies are also being distributed to the planning commission.
- Stated that we have an outstanding loan with Rural Development for \$45,000. Based on the repayment schedule, we would pay \$32,000 in interest. He had confirmed with Rural Development that there was no prepayment penalty for early payment. The recommendation was made that the loan be repaid from funds in the Geniel Douglas Library PTIF fund. The Mayor asked to place this issue on the February 6, 2013 agenda.
- Gave an update on the most recent communications with the special forces training. The Special Forces are requested to do a mock raid on the parachute factory on the night of June 14th. They have also requested permission to stage mock events at the lower power plant and the Manti Ephraim Airport.
- Stated that Andrew Jackson is not interested in acting as an appeal authority at this time but he gave a strong recommendation for a woman by the name of Karen McCandless, who currently sits on the Orem council and has a strong background in land use and zoning issues.
- Stated that he has an item involving property negotiation for closed session.

The Mayor asked for a motion to leave regular session and move into executive session to discuss personnel and property negotiation matters. The motion was made by Councilmember Dyreng, and seconded by Councilmember Mickelsen. Councilmembers voting “aye”: Darren Dyreng, 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 Dyreng. Councilmember Dyreng, and seconded by Councilmember Mickelsen. Councilmembers voting “aye”: Darren Dyreng, Vaun Mickelsen, Korry Soper and Loren Thompson. Councilmembers voting “nay”: none.

The meeting adjourned at 9:55 p.m.

General Account

Manti Post Office	\$468.72
Utah State Treasurer	340.51
Utah League of Cities and Towns	895.00
YCC Leadership Conference	1,888.00

Natasha R. Madsen, Mayor

Kent Barton, Recorder/Administrator