

MINUTES
MANTI CITY COUNCIL MEETING
May 7th, 2014
5:30 P.M.

Mayor Korry Soper in chair and presiding. Roll call showed Councilmembers Jason Maylett, Jason Vernon and Ryan Phelps present. Vaun Mickelsen was excused and Darren Dyreng was expected to arrive later. The Mayor welcomed all attending including representatives of the Mormon Miracle Pageant, Sanpete County Sheriff's Office, Manti Temple, Sanpete County Search and Rescue, and the Manti Ambulance Association for a "Pre Pageant Planning Meeting"

The Mayor invited Michael Jorgensen, Pageant President to address the group. Mr. Jorgensen thanked the entire group for their past support of the pageant. Jorgensen and his counselor Doug Dyreng also explained that 2016 marks the 50th anniversary of the Mormon Miracle Pageant. They explained that a celebration organizing committee has been assigned and plans are underway.

The Mayor recognized Sherriff Brian Neilson who was present with several members of his staff. His department addressed the following issues:

- Two vehicle passes requested for each homeowner within the traffic-restricted area
- Barricade at 300 North & 100 East
- Agreed that limiting vendors to one vehicle pass per booth worked well last year
- Handicapped parking
- Camera system working well
- Need 10 "Police Parking" signs
- Animal control
- Questioned who to call for after hours business license issues
- Mega-phone permits

Dave Bowles with Sanpete County Search and Rescue talked about needs for meals on weekday nights only.

Steve Hacking from the Manti Temple explained that the Multi-Stake YSA Fireside would be moved from the Wednesday dress rehearsal to Thursday June 19th.

Sonia DeMill representing the Manti Ambulance Association indicated their group would need meals on weekday nights only.

Mayor Soper thanked everyone for the work they do to keep our citizens and visitors safe during pageant. He then indicated we would take a 5-minute break prior to moving into the regular council meeting.

A roll call showed Councilmembers Darren Dyreng, Jason Maylett, Ryan Phelps and Jason Vernon present with Vaun Mickelsen excused. Mayor Soper welcomed all present and asked them to join him in reciting the Pledge of Allegiance.

The Mayor recognized Sonia DeMill representing the Manti Ambulance Association, who was accompanied by Garrick Willden and Kendrick Thomas from Jones and DeMille Engineering, who presented a “rough plan” for a new ambulance building proposed to be built at 30 North 100 East on property owned by Manti City. After some discussion, the Mayor called for a motion to dedicate the property at 130 North 100 East for the construction of an Ambulance Building. Darren Dyreng made that motion, which was seconded by Jason Maylett. Councilmembers voting “aye”: Darren Dyreng, Jason Maylett, Ryan Phelps and Jason Vernon. Councilmembers voting “nay”: none.

Mayor Soper thanked Sonia for the good service the Ambulance Association provides in the community. He then welcomed Fred Taukei’aho to come forward.

Mr. Taukei’aho explained that several years ago he approached the Council permission to prepare and serve food (from his Manti restaurant) at his Main Street residence near 400 North during the 2 weeks of Mormon Miracle Pageant. He continued explaining that the Council had required that the permission was for two weeks only during pageant and would need to be granted each year by the current Council – in other words, he was required to make a new request each year. He went on to talk about the number of people he employs in his restaurant and the benefit this activity provides to his business and employees, as well as pageant visitors. After addressing questions from the Council and brief discussion among the Mayor and Councilmembers, Mayor Soper called for a motion to grant the variance for the last two weeks of June 2014 as requested by Mr. Taukei’aho. Jason Vernon made that motion, which was seconded by Darren Dyreng. Councilmembers voting “aye”: Darren Dyreng, Jason Maylett, Ryan Phelps and Jason Vernon. Councilmembers voting “nay”: none.

The Mayor then wished Mr. Taukei’aho much success and then welcomed Shannon Miller, President of the Central Utah Pioneer Heritage Association.

Shannon briefly spoke of the Pioneer Heritage Garden that her group developed adjacent to the cemetery and talked about the many visitors who enjoy the gardens. Shannon said that last year the gardens collected revenues of \$1,700 against expenses of \$4,000. She went on to say that she had previously asked the Council to waive \$2,500 in water hookup and impact fees and was now inquiring as to a decision from the Council. Shannon addressed several questions from the Council after which the Mayor called for a motion to waive the fees as requested by Miller. The motion failed. The Mayor then called for a motion to accept annual payments of \$500 without interest on the \$2,500 balance. Jason Vernon made that motion, which was seconded by Jason Maylett.

Councilmembers voting “aye”: Darren Dyreng, Jason Maylett, Ryan Phelps and Jason Vernon.
Councilmembers voting “nay”: none.

Shannon thanked the Mayor and Council for their consideration of her request.

The Mayor then invited Blake DeMill, Power Superintendent, to report to the Council. Blake reported on maintenance projects that were completed, in process and planned. A copy of his report was included with the Council Packet.

Mayor Soper invited Dale Nielson, Director of Public Work, to report. Dale reported on the following:

- Park and Cemetery work underway for coming season
- Recent “Road School” attended by him, Cory Hatch and Sunny Hammouri
- City Creek and Flood Channel cleaning and repairs
- Grading of gravel road above Quarry Field Ditch
- Chip seal contract to be awarded later in the month
- Plans for chip sealing this season include 100 South, east of 400 East up to and including Heritage Heights, northwest quadrant of town below 500 West, and hot mixing of the Barton subdivision.

Mayor Soper asked if there was any report yet on the condition of the springs that were contaminated. Dale replied that he planned to check them out toward the end of the month after more snowpack had melted.

Jason Maylett inquired about any progress with plans for run-off control near the LDS Stake Center.

Dale said there had not yet been concrete discussions but he is planning to involve an engineer to get the project spec'd.

Mike Tillack, ZAN Officer then reported on animal, nuisance and building maintenance issues, including planned bat proofing planned for Old City Hall.

Moving to continuing business the Mayor invited Elliott Anderson to approach. Mr. Anderson inquired as to the decision of the Council regarding his request to graze cattle on the north hill property owned by the city. Anderson entertained several questions from members of the council and some discussion ensued. The Mayor then called for a motion to allow Mr. Anderson use of the hill property for grazing cattle for a term of 10-15 years provided he build and repair necessary fences. The motion failed.

The Mayor thanked Anderson for his interest and wished him luck finding a suitable alternative. Anderson in turn thanked the Council for the consideration of his request.

Administrator Kent Barton then reported on his communications with Jane Braithwaite and her group, regarding to the cemetery beautification project near the Pioneer Heritage Wall.

The Mayor asked if there were any reports from Councilmembers.

Jason Maylett reported Mike and Suzy Howell, 4th of July Chairs, were working with newly appointed Co-chairs Andy and Robyn Cox on plans for this year's celebration.

Jason Vernon reported on the tour of the Hunter Power Plant complex near Castle Dale with other members of UMPA including Kent Barton and Blake DeMill.

Ryan Phelps reported on a recent Chamber of Commerce meeting and progress with defining a Economic Development Committee. Phelps also said that he had a matter regarding personnel for discussion in closed session.

Mayor Soper then reported on the following:

- Congratulated Councilmember Jason Maylett on his recent graduation from Utah State University
- Acknowledged Miss Manti 2013, Emily Bradley for a terrific job representing Manti City.
- Congratulated Whitney Timothy who was recently crowned Miss Manti 2014 along with her attendants, Marlie Meacham and Hannah Eddy
- Thanked Sam Penrod KSL reporter for emcee duties at the Miss Manti Pageant
- Also thanked Brienne Kiesel and her committee for their efforts in making the pageant a successful event for the young women who competed.
- East pavilion in City Park being re-roofed as an Eagle Scout Project by Carson Lund.
- Summarized recent UMPA board meeting speaking specifically about increasing rates and renewable energy “opt in” options for member’s communities and their customers.
- Explained that “shortened maintenance shutdowns” of association power generating unit resulted in a \$500k savings to the association.

The Mayor then asked if there were any corrections noted for the draft version of the minutes for the April 16th Council Meeting. As none were noted, the Mayor called for a motion to accept said minutes as presented. Ryan Phelps made that motion, which was seconded by Darren Dyreng. Councilmembers voting “aye”: Darren Dyreng, Jason Maylett, Ryan Phelps and Jason Vernon. Councilmembers voting “nay”: none.

Mayor Soper then asked if there were any corrections noted for the draft version of the minutes for the April 18th special Council Meeting. One typographical correction was noted after which the Mayor called for a motion to accept said minutes as corrected. Jason Maylett made that motion, which was seconded by Ryan Phelps. Councilmembers voting “aye”: Darren Dyreng, Jason Maylett, Ryan Phelps and Jason Vernon. Councilmembers voting “nay”: none.

The Mayor then asked if there were any corrections noted for the draft version of the minutes for the April 28th special Council Meeting. One typographical correction was noted after which the Mayor called for a motion to accept said minutes as corrected. Jason Vernon made that motion, which was seconded by Jason Maylett. Councilmembers voting “aye”: Darren Dyreng, Jason Maylett, Ryan Phelps and Jason Vernon. Councilmembers voting “nay”: none.

Administrator Kent Barton reported on the following:

- Councilmember Vaun Mickelsen now convalescing at home and expected to be present at May 21st Council Meeting.
- Appeal Authority decision rendered in the Nate Christensen and JR Christensen Investments appeals. Both parties have been notified.
- Showed draft map of conceptual “Manti City Zoning Buffer” extending the grid system throughout the buffer zone. Explained that the Planning Commission is in process of reviewing the map and may make a recommendation to the council on the matter.
- Discussed desire by IHC to develop additional parking on city property near their clinic.
- Plans by DCFS to release some of the space in the suite it has rented back to the city.
- Referenced letters in the packet regarding the city’s request to use the LDS Church ball field for league play this season.

- Indicated he had items for discussion in closed session regarding property negotiation and personnel.

The Mayor called for a motion to move into closed session to discuss legal, property negotiation and personnel matters. Darren Dyreng made that motion, Jason Maylett seconded. Councilmembers voting “aye”: Darren Dyreng, Jason Maylett, Ryan Phelps and Jason Vernon. Councilmembers voting “nay”: none.

REGULAR MEETING RESUMED FOLLOWING EXECUTIVE SESSION.

The bills were presented for payment. Following review by the Mayor and Council, Councilmember Dyreng moved that they be paid as presented and as money becomes available. Seconded by Councilmember Maylett. Councilmembers voting “aye”: Darren Dyreng, Jason Maylett, Ryan Phelps and Jason Vernon. Councilmembers voting “nay”: none.

The meeting adjourned at 9:45 pm.

General Account

Lacie Barton	\$ 92.93
Cory Hatch	315.13
Breanne Keisel	73.76
Lacie Barton	40.00
Carolyn Bessey	75.00
Steve Roberts	137.06
Bankcard Center	637.74
Utah State Tax Commission	13,561.88
Buchanan Family Trust	389,316.00
Target Pest Control	1,408.00
Manti City	50.00
Cindy Sorensen	38.54
Amy Stevenson	57.52
Mariah Harrison	54.92
Anne Marie Miller	32.89
Ryan Kay	76.73

Sam Penrod	50.00
Tami Hansen	16.95
Colleen Ogden	16.95
Breanne Keisel	281.86
Stephen Johnson	240.00
Dirk's Farmhouse Restaurant	220.50
Manti Post Office	491.07
Manti City	25.00
Breanne Keisel	159.06
Lacie Barton	81.30
Mandy Sanders	37.20
US Dept of Education	141.00
Johnson Mark	103.85

Korry L. Soper, Mayor

Kent Barton, Recorder/Administrator