

MINUTES
MANTI CITY COUNCIL MEETING
May 6th, 2015
6:30 P.M.

Mayor Korry Soper in chair and presiding. Roll call showed Councilmembers Darren Dyreng, Jason Maylett, Vaun Mickelsen and Jason Vernon present. Councilmember Ryan Phelps was out of town working and excused. The Mayor welcomed all in attendance and asked that they stand and join him in reciting the pledge of allegiance.

Mayor Soper then recognized Jim Proctor, representative of Legacy of Liberty. Proctor introduced himself and his company and then talked about the products his company provides – a storyboard complete with pictures and information that tells the story of the United States of America. Proctor said over 400 public schools have purchased the “wall” which is framed in solid wood and comes in 3 sizes. He also demonstrated web-based interactive applications that are available as well. Proctor entertained several questions from the Mayor and Council, each who seemed to be impressed with the product. Mayor Soper thanked Proctor and told him the Council would consider the upcoming budget and where we might place a “Legacy Wall”. Proctor in turn thanked the Mayor and Council for their time and consideration.

The Mayor recognized Melissa Jacklin and invited her to come forward. Jacklin explained that she is a relatively new resident to Manti and that she was recently cited for having 4 dogs at her home (the city ordinance allows for only 3 dogs per household) and Jacklin asked if she could get a kennel license in order to keep all of her dogs. Minimum requirements for a kennel license (which is not automatically granted but is discretionary) were read from the ordinance by Councilmember Maylett and it was clear that Jacklin’s property does not meet the requirements in order to make an application. Jacklin became frustrated with that information and stated that her dogs are “her babies” and that she has no intention of getting rid of any of them. She asked if she could go to the county to “appeal” but was informed that the county has no authority over Manti City Ordinances. It was explained to Jacklin that Ordinances are drafted as a method to “keep order”, and further explained that where one person may want 4 dogs, another may want 5, 6 or even more and Manti Ordinances allow for no more than 3. Jacklin demanded to know why she had been singled out and requested a copy of the ordinance. She was told that she was not singled out but that whenever we become aware of an ordinance violation we are obligated to act. She asked if she could receive a copy of the ordinance and was told she could by coming into the city office and making request. Finally, she said she would get a doctors note because being bi-polar it would be detrimental to her mental health to have to give up one of her dogs. When she received no assurance that a doctors note would overrule the ordinance, she then turned away and exited the council room.

Mayor Soper then invited Jim Bench to come forward. Jim explained that his trailer and boat, which had been parked on the north side of his home in the city right-of-way, were recently “tagged” with an order to be moved back onto his property. Bench then passed around a stack of

photos to members of the Council showing where other similar items were parked in the city right-of-way and stated it appeared he has been singled out. Administrator Kent Barton explained that we constantly work with property owners in an effort to keep the rights-of-way clear. He then thanked Bench for working so quickly to move the tagged items and said: “often we don’t get that kind of cooperation”. Barton said that part of the problem with Bench’s trailer and boat is that they were parked dangerously close to the intersection and as such presented a line of sight problem for motorists approaching the intersection. He said our police department had pointed out the safety issue to the city offices. Bench asked exactly how far back from the street does the right-of-way go”? Councilmember Maylett replied “45 feet from the center of the road”. Barton offered to come to Bench’s home or send Dale Nielson to show where the property line is. Bench thanked the council for listening to him and Mayor Soper thanked him for coming in to address his concerns.

The Mayor asked that discussion turn to the tentative budget for FY 2015-16 and invited Kent Barton to discuss. Barton first went over the revenue section and explained that the city receives revenues to run the city from the following sources:

- ∞ Taxes, including property and sales taxes
- ∞ Licenses and permits, including business and animal licenses
- ∞ Intergovernmental Revenue, including grants, allotments such as road and liquor funds and contract fees for fire protection provided in the county
- ∞ Services, including rents for buildings, pool revenues, youth sports revenues and cemetery fees
- ∞ Fines and other miscellaneous revenues

Barton then explained that all of these revenues are not enough to offset the expenses required to run the city, and that the other sources of revenue are from enterprise funds or sales of water, sewer and electrical service to customers of city utilities. Each of the “enterprise funds” operates under its own profit and loss statement. Profits from each of these funds is available for and have traditionally been transferred to the “General Fund” to offset expenses from the general fund.

Barton then went on to review the tentative budget in both the revenue and expense sections and explained that although much of the work for identifying revenues and expenses for the coming year have been identified – the budget is tentative and more work is required. He invited members of the Council to review the budget and come into the office if they had questions about the budget.

Mayor Soper reiterated that this is a starting point and that under state code, the Council is required to accept the “tentative budget” in May prior to adopting a finalized budget before July 1st. He then called for a motion to accept the tentative budget for FY 2015-16 as presented. Jason Maylett made the motion, which was seconded by Vaun Mickelsen.

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

Moving to “Continuing Business” Kent Barton distributed copies of the 4th of July celebration Budget and reviewed it with the Council. Discussion ensued during which time it was pointed out donations from local business added approximately \$1,500 to last year’s budget. After more discussion the consensus of the Council was that donations from our local businesses should not be solicited for this event.

The Mayor then asked if any members of the Council had items for discussion.

Councilmember Vernon gave an update on the runway paving at the airport and stated that it is hoped it will be open soon.

Mayor Soper reported that a new Miss Manti royalty was crowned last week with Anastasia Kryzmowski as Miss Manti, with Bailey Simons and Kelsie Albee as Attendants. The Mayor also reported on the following:

- ∞ Attended an excellent “Leader in You” program at the Manti Elementary earlier in the day.
- ∞ Progress with UMPA Board in “rate stabilization fund” design.
- ∞ Goal for each UMPA member to have a 90-day contingency fund for rate stabilization
- ∞ Reviewed increasing global demand for electricity. Explained that average per person usage in the USA totals about 14,000KW compared to India at 500 KW.
- ∞ Progress report on UMPA S1 agreement drafting.

Mayor Soper then asked if there were any changes noted for the draft version of the minutes from the previous council meeting. After no changes were noted, the Mayor called for a motion to accept the minutes from the regular council meeting of April 1st, 2015 as presented. Vaun Mickelsen made the motion, which was seconded by Darren Dyreng. Councilmembers voting “aye”: Darren Dyreng, Jason Maylett, Vaun Mickelsen and Jason Vernon. Councilmembers voting “nay”: none.

Administrator Kent Barton then reported on the following:

- ∞ Referred to copies of worksheets in the packet he submitted to 6 County Association of Governments as a first step to the city qualifying for potential FEMA funding for mitigation of risk due to natural disasters. Included were worksheets for East 100 North storm drainage and upgrades to City Creek channel including bridge repairs or replacements.
- ∞ Flower Committee Chairpersons Alex and Mandy Keeler have completed planting of the flower baskets, which will hang on lampposts in the commercial district.
- ∞ British Challenger Soccer Camp scheduled for July 6th – 10th, with a promotional free clinic on the afternoon of May 20th.
- ∞ High School plans to develop a new soccer field after June baseball season. This will eliminate the north field, which the city has used for many years for summer leagues.
- ∞ Manti Mountain ATV run is scheduled for August 15th – 17th. The website is now open for on-line registration.

- ∞ Recent vandalism incidents at cemetery and Old City Hall restrooms.
- ∞ Met last week with pageant dinner committee, which is now reorganized and planning this year's event.
- ∞ Has items dealing with property negotiation for discussion in closed session.

Mayor Soper called for a motion to move into closed session to discuss property negotiation. Vaun Mickelsen made the motion, which was seconded by Jason Maylett. Councilmembers voting "aye": Darren Dyreng, Jason Maylett, Vaun Mickelsen and Jason Vernon. Councilmembers voting "nay": none.

RETURNED TO REGULAR SESSION FOLLOWING CLOSED SESSION

The bills were presented for payment. Following review by the Mayor and Council, Darren Dyreng made the motion to pay the bills and adjourn. Ryan Phelps seconded. Councilmembers voting "aye": Darren Dyreng, Jason Maylett, Vaun Mickelsen and Jason Vernon. Councilmembers voting "nay": none.

The meeting adjourned at 9:40 pm

Dirk's Farmhouse Restaurant	\$ 153.80	Kent Barton	1,374.54
Lacie Barton	16.03	Cache Valley Bank	1,060.32
State Stone	3,000.00	Tracie Shumway	50.00
Cory Hatch	326.47	Tyler White	50.00
Sanpete County	250.00	Hannah Neal	50.00
Thompson Oil	9,353.99	Christy Nielson Austin	50.00
Kenny Keller	42.99	Scott Christofferson	50.00
Lacie Barton	260.83	Enrique Alcala	956.12
Mandy Sanders	96.35	Jason Vernon	171.48
JoAnn Otten	35.00	Breanne Keisel	725.97
Utah Municipal Power Agency	72,088.29	Weber State University	500.00
Utah State Tax Commission	2,233.27	Dirk's Farmhouse Restaurant	44.50
Valley Builders	35,219.11	Colby Zeaman	513.63
Jones & DeMille Engineering	85,000.00	Utah State Tax Commission	11,756.44
Manti Ambulance Association	6,743.53	Colby Zeaman	40.00
Bankcard Center	1,743.53	Remax Results	8.73

Korry L. Soper, Mayor

Kent Barton, Recorder, Administrator/Recorder