

MINUTES
MANTI CITY COUNCIL MEETING
November 19th, 2015
6:30 P.M.

Mayor Korry Soper in chair and presiding. Roll call showed Councilmembers Gary Chidester, Darren Dyreng, Jason Maylett and Vaun Mickelsen present. Councilmember Jason Vernon was excused. The Mayor welcomed all in attendance and asked that they stand and join him in reciting the Pledge of Allegiance.

Mayor Soper recognized Sheriff Brian Nielson and invited him to report to the Council on law enforcement activities. The Sheriff then summarized key indicator activity from all 12 months in 2014, and the first 10 months in 2015 as follows:

	2014 (Jan – Dec)	2015 (Jan – Oct)
Citations	125	92
Arrests	36	45
Calls for Service (cases)	1284	1137

He went on to talk about recent complaints by Manti citizens and said that there have been many calls regarding reckless driving of ATVs on 100 East. He spoke of his department's efforts to correct this problem. Vaun Mickelsen stated the 3rd East and 3rd North is a bad area for reckless driving of ATVs as well. Mickelsen also talked about vandalism and theft that has recently occurred at his farm. The sheriff said that he is aware, and that there is an open investigation and invited Mr. Mickelsen to call him to discuss privately. Darren Dyreng thanked the Sheriff for the good work that he and his department are doing. Mayor Soper stated that his main concern is speeding ATV's in the community. Jason Maylett then asked the sheriff if there is drug activity occurring within the community. The Sheriff responded that there is and while not as serious as some communities in the county, unfortunately we are dealing with illegal drugs in Manti and he and his department are making efforts to stop it. The Sheriff explained that he is currently short a couple of deputies but hope to be fully staffed again soon. Mayor Soper thanked Sheriff Nielson for his service and protection that he and his employees provide in our community.

The Mayor then recognized Nancy Bean organizer of the Clothing Resource Center. Bean thanked the Mayor and Council for their generosity in allowing her group to use the office areas of the old parachute plant for her activities with receiving and distributing clothing to families in need within Sanpete and surrounding counties. She showed several photos, which showed both volunteers and recipients at the center. Bean told several accounts of persons whom her center has helped. The Mayor and several members of the Council expressed appreciation for her efforts to help those in need. Bean talked about volunteers, projects and needs for the center. She asked for permission to construct a

small shed for the receiving of donations in order to keep them out of the weather. The Mayor extended permission and thanked Bean saying “thank you, you have really touched our hearts tonight”. Bean in turn thanked the Mayor and Council for their generosity in making space available for the Clothing Resource Center.

The Mayor then recognized Volunteer Fire Chief John Jensen and invited him to report. Jensen then explained there is upcoming training in St. George and requested \$2,000 for 6 volunteers to attend. The Mayor polled the Council and determined there was consensus to allow the funds for the training. Jensen also explained that he needs 6 new pagers, which would total \$2040. In addition, he advised the Mayor and Council to start getting prepared for him to come in with a request for at least \$10,000 for the purchase of new SCBAs (self-contained breathing apparatus) as we have several that are nearing their 10 year expiration date. Jensen said he plans to put in a grant for two SCBAs to replace outdated equipment. Some discussion ensued after which Jensen was asked to include this expenditure in next year’s budget. The Mayor then thanked Jensen for the great work that he and the other volunteers in the department do for our community and its residents.

The Mayor recognized Dallas Cox, Chair of the Economic Development Committee along with committee members Douglas Dyreng, Dale Henningson and Shannon Miller. Cox presented several colorized samples of the recently approved Manti City logo for the review of the Mayor and Council. Discussion ensued. The consensus seemed to settle on two versions, the most popular being option #3 and option #1 as the 2nd choice. Discussion ensued and it was suggested that while a primary version could be the official color, other colors may be used for temporary or event specific uses. After additional discussion, the Mayor thanked Cox and other members of the committee for their dedicated effort on the development of the logo as well as other projects.

The Mayor then asked if the Council desired any discussion regarding the Fire Protection Agreement with Sanpete County prior to him calling for a motion to accept the agreement. After no discussion was desired, the Mayor called for the motion, which was made by Darren Dyreng and seconded by Vaun Mickelsen. Councilmembers voting “aye”: Gary Chidester, Darren Dyreng, Jason Maylett and Vaun Mickelsen. Councilmembers voting “nay”: none.

As there was no discussion desired regarding continuing business, the Mayor asked if any members of the Council had items for discussion. Gary Chidester reported on a recent Library board meeting including issues with vandalism, theft, sale of surplus books, books on kindle, grant applications and certification probation on which the library was recently placed.

The Mayor asked Administrator Kent Barton to explain the good news regarding the status of our CIB since the recent meeting Barton attended in Moab. Barton explained that the board had voted to suspend rules and fund the Manti project rather than waiting

until the February funding meeting and requiring Manti to return to another meeting. Barton explained that Chairman Heaton and the Board were grateful for the city's stepping aside at the October Meeting and allowing Hilldale Town to receive funding for an emergency request. Barton continued explaining that as soon as we have our matching funds in place and our property tied up, we can proceed to issue bonds for the loan portion of the funding and begin our project. The Mayor thanked Barton for the good report and for his work on this project, which will be a wonderful facility and asset for our community.

The Mayor then advised the Council on the status of the S1 and inter-local operating agreements with UMPA, which have now been completed and are under review with each members legal counsel. Agreements will need to be accepted by motion with each of the agency's 6 member cities prior to December 31, 2015.

The Mayor then reminded the Council of the upcoming Christmas Light Parade and asked for suggestions for a float or vehicle in which the Council could ride. Darren Dyreng offered his family's World War II era military transport Humvee for that purpose. It was agreed to accept Dyreng's offer. The Mayor advised that he was scheduled to be out of town on the evening of the parade, but several other members of the Council indicated that they would be available for the event.

The Mayor then asked if the Council could agree on a dates for December Council Meetings. After brief discussion it was agreed that the Council would meet once in December on Tuesday December 15th, with the first meeting of 2016 to occur on Wednesday, January 6th.

The Mayor then asked if there were any changes noted for the draft version of the minutes from the previous Council Meeting. After no corrections were noted, the Mayor called for a motion to accept the minutes from the Council Meeting of November 5th, 2015 as presented. Vaun Mickelsen made the motion, which was seconded by Jason Maylett. Councilmembers voting "aye": Gary Chidester, Darren Dyreng, Jason Maylett and Vaun Mickelsen. Councilmembers voting "nay": none.

Administrator Kent Barton then reported on the following:

- ∞ Is currently working with city staff to update the city's emergency management plan.
- ∞ Shared high points from the recent community survey which was distributed city-wide by volunteers and is being summarized by the BYU team as part of the general plan update.
- ∞ Referred to a report included in the packet estimating expected revenues to be received by Sanpete County and its communities from the additional ¼ cent sales tax, which was passed by voters as Proposition One.

- ∞ Indicated that he has issues dealing with property negotiation for discussion in closed session.

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

RETURNED TO REGULAR SESSION FOLLOWING CLOSED SESSION

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

The meeting adjourned at 8:40 p.m.

General Account

Utah State Tax Commission	\$13,362.58
Justin Aagard	40.00
Cache Valley Bank	1,113.34
Manti Post Office	420.38
State Stone	2,000.00
Justin Aagard	40.00
Utah State Treasurer	410.09
Sunny Hammouri	124.87
PEHP	20,248.40
Caselle Software	250.00
Sunny Hammouri	85.88
Mountain America Credit Union	465.00
Utah Recovery Services	335.00
Kent Barton	762.35

Korry L. Soper, Mayor

Kent Barton, Recorder/Administrato