

Manti City Council Meeting

MINUTES

MARCH 7, 2018
6:30 PM

MANTI CITY BUILDING
50 SOUTH MAIN STREET

MEETING CALLED BY	Mayor Korry L. Soper
TYPE OF MEETING	Regular Council Meeting
ATTENDEES	Mayor: Korry L. Soper Councilmembers: Gary Chidester, Darren Dyreng, Jason Maylett, Jason Vernon, Mary L. Wintch Administrator: Kent Barton
ABSENT	None
WELCOME	Mayor Korry L. Soper
PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE	Led by Mayor Soper

Agenda Items

ITEM 1	Resolution of Recognition
<p>Mayor Soper welcomed members of the Manti High School 2018 state championship basketball team including seniors, Kole Brailsford, Matt Nelson, Brody Barson, Dylan Wathen and Kade Nicholes, along with their coach, Devin Shakespear. Coach Shakespear introduced his senior class players and then spoke of their leadership, effort, teamwork and success. The Mayor congratulated them on their championship season and thanked them for representing well the communities of Manti, Ephraim and Sterling. He then read a resolution of recognition and appreciation for the team and called for a motion to adopt the resolution.</p>	
ACTION TAKEN	
<p>Jason Vernon made the motion, Mary Wintch seconded. Councilmembers voting "Aye": Gary Chidester, Darren Dyreng, Jason Maylett, Jason Vernon and Mary Wintch. Councilmembers voting "Nay": none.</p>	

ITEM 2	Councilmember Reports
<p>Jason Vernon reported on the Rural Water Conference he attended last week in St.</p>	

George. He remarked that it was a very good conference with informative breakout sessions.

Mary Wintch reported that she has been reading the city's General Plan, and observed the following:

- One of the stated goals is to keep a beautiful, clean and safe town.
- One of the strategies listed is to enforce the nuisance ordinance.

She then stated: *"As I ride my bike around town, I've noticed several areas where enforcement of the nuisance ordinance is lacking. I would like us to have discussions about this issue in a future meeting."*

CONCLUSIONS

After brief discussion, the Mayor agreed that it would be good to have the discussion.

ITEM 3

Mayor's Report

Mayor Soper's report included the following:

- Recap of recent trip to Washington DC with the UMPA Board and executive staff, including discussions with Representatives Bishop and Love, as well as Senator Lee. With the focus of the discussions to keep electric service safe and affordable.
- Reviewed part of President Trump's proposed infrastructure bill, which includes a proposal for privatization of some publically owned power generation facilities such as the Glen Canyon Dam. UMPA opposes the proposal, as the likely outcome would be higher energy costs for consumers.
- Informed the Council that the Ephraim Fire Department is receiving a new ladder truck and their old one may become available for another community in the district. Said that he was informed that the old truck has significant repairs needed and he feels we should pass on the truck. After discussion, the consensus was that the truck should not be acquired if significant repair costs were required.

ITEM 3

Discussion to Accept Minutes From Previous Meeting

Mayor Soper directed Councilmembers to the draft minutes of the previous Council Meeting and asked if there were any changes to be made. Seeing none, he called for a motion to accept the minutes of the February 21st Council Meeting as presented.

ACTION TAKEN

Mary Wintch made the motion, Gary Chidester seconded. Councilmembers voting "Aye": Gary Chidester, Darren Dyreng, Jason Maylett, Jason Vernon and Mary Wintch. Councilmembers voting "Nay": none.

ITEM 4**City Administrator's Report**

Kent Barton's report included the following:

- Updated the Council on several bills being considered in the current legislative session, which could potentially have very negative consequences for our community, including HB175, HB462 and SB235. Encouraged members of the Council to communicate concerns to our elected representatives.
- Advised Council that Kasey Wright accepted appointment to serve as the city's prosecutor.
- Advised Council that Jen Mackey and Ellen Aste have been hired as supervisors for the pool and explained what the breakdown of their responsibilities would be.
- Explained that Jane Braithwaite and her committee are planning to address the Council at the March 21st meeting concerning additional desired improvements at the cemetery entrance.
- Gave a status update on the construction of the Sports Complex.
- Referred to materials in the packet received from the public health department including a seat belt usage report for Sanpete County.
- Reminded the Council of the work meeting planned with the Planning Commission on March 21st at 5:30 PM. Jason Vernon said that he will be working out of town that day and will be unavailable for the meeting.
- Reviewed a meeting of the airport board that he and Councilmember Chidester attended the previous Monday. Explained that Ephraim City desires to formalize a new joint operating agreement for the airport including addressing equitable sharing of operating costs. Ephraim City proposed a joint work meeting on March 28th for this purpose.
- Advised that he had issues dealing with property negotiation, and possible litigation for discussion in closed session.

CONCLUSIONS

Concerning a joint work meeting with the Ephraim City Council: During discussion it was learned that several council members would be out of town and it was proposed that we offer the date of April 11th for the meeting. Barton agreed to contact Ephraim City.

ACTION TAKEN

At 7:22 P.M., the Mayor called for a motion to move into executive session to discuss property negotiation, and possible litigation matters. Darren Dyreng made the motion, Gary Chidester seconded. Councilmembers voting "Aye": Gary Chidester, Darren Dyreng, Jason Maylett, Jason Vernon and Mary Wintch. Councilmembers voting "Nay": none.

RETURNED TO REGULAR SESSION FOLLOWING CLOSED SESSION

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

ADJOURNED	7:53 p.m.
NEXT MEETING DATE	Wednesday, March 21, 2018 at 5:30 PM

Jordan Bies	\$ 25.00
Casey Johnson	288.43
Bryan Bies	50.00
Vern Jensen	90.40
Bankcard Center	5,211.73
Breezy Anderson	40.00
Utah Municipal Power Agency	95,821.36
Javed Nordell	326.00

Korry L. Soper, Mayor

Kent Barton, Recorder/Administrator