



Minutes
Mount Pleasant City Council
27th February 2024
6:30 p.m.
Regular Meeting

The Mount Pleasant City Council held a regular meeting February 27th, 2024, at 6:30 p.m. The meeting was held in the City Council Chambers at 115 West Main Street, Mount Pleasant, Utah.

Welcome –*Mayor Pro Tempore Russell Kiesel*

1. Opening Ceremony – *By Invitation*

Pledge of Allegiance – *Chief Gray*

Opening Prayer- *Shane Ward*

2. Roll Call – *Recorder*

Present: Paul C. Madsen, Russell G. Keisel, Rondy G. Black, Cade A. Beck.

Absent: D. Lynn Beesley, Michael T. Olsen.

Employees in Attendance:

Chief Gray
Shane Ward
Natalie Crosby
Monte Bona
Jack Widdison
Gaylynn Widdison

Others in Attendance:

Claudia Jarett
Pam Stoker
Joyce Turner
Jay Wright
Mark Hightower

3. Approval of Claims and Requisitions – *Mayor Pro Tempore*

Claims Register:

Dated 02/09/2024 to 02/23/2024 in the amount of \$111,324.55.

Motion: Action: To Approve, **Moved by** Cade A. Beck, **Seconded by** Rondy G. Black.



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Vote: Motion carried by unanimous roll call vote (**summary:** Yes = 4).

Yes: Paul C. Madsen, Russell G. Keisel, Rondy G. Black, Cade A. Beck.

Requisitions:

Requisition # 2026202040942 Power Department SCADA System in the amount of \$8,491.40.

Motion: Action: To Approve, moved by Paul C. Madsen, Seconded by Cade A. Beck.

Vote: Motion carried by unanimous roll call vote (summary: Yes = 4).

Yes: Paul C. Madsen, Russell G. Keisel, Rondy G. Black, Cade A. Beck.

Requisition #0226202401 Police Department Christensen Arms for 5 AR 15's in the amount of \$6,846.80.

Motion: Action: To Approve, Moved by Cade A. Beck, Seconded by Paul C. Madsen.

Vote: Motion carried by unanimous roll call vote (summary: Yes = 4).

Yes: Paul C. Madsen, Russell G. Keisel, Rondy G. Black, Cade A. Beck.

4. Discussion/Action on the following items:

a. *Street Scape Project- Main Street Committee*

Joyce Turner presented. She stated that trees are important to commercial districts. She also stated that rather than fixing the existing irrigation system they are going to replace the trees and then put in a new simple irrigation system. So far, the trees that are completely dead have been removed. The Main Street Committee has been working with Tree Utah who is going to donate an estimated value of \$10,000 for the new trees. The plan is to involve the community in planting the new trees. Pruning and removal has already been funded, however they need to investigate now paying for the new irrigation system. The group "For the Love of Mt. Pleasant" has been involved in gathering volunteers to help plant the new trees.

Monte Bona spoke on the fact that Main Street is in the CDRA. He stated the buildings on Main that the CDRA owns. These buildings include the Triangle Apartments, The RDA Block Building, and the Old Wells Fargo Bank in which they rent to the city for \$1.00 a year. Monte would like to propose that since the playground equipment was paid out of the RDA that the city council reimburse the



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RDA for \$178,000 that would then be used for special projects like the street scape project and other projects at the park.

Councilman Cade Beck asked if there was record that the playground equipment had to be paid out of the RDA without

Councilmember Cade Beck would like more information on the background of why the playground equipment was paid for by the RDA.

Councilmember Paul Madsen also asked if the city budgeted for the playground equipment?

Monte Bona stated that there is no money in the RDA they won't be able to do the street scape project. He stated that there was nothing specifically you'll find in the minutes that says that this money was paid in advance. There was discussion on having Dave Oxman the Finance Director in the next council meeting to advise the council if the money is available.

They would also like Justin Atkinson available to explain the grant that was provided for the park.

5. Public Participation

Members of the public may address the City Council on matters not listed on the agenda. Those interested should sign up on the form just inside the council room door right before the meeting begins. Participation is limited to three minutes. The participant will be allowed to address the Council and may submit documents outlining their issue. The Council cannot take legal action on public comment at this time. At the conclusion of each comment, the Council will have time to respond to criticism made by those who have addressed them, may ask staff to review a matter or may ask that a matter be placed on a future agenda. All City Council meetings are recorded.

Jay Wright read a quote from KSL News about people shopping for cars through online ads. He then read a story about a man who bought a car that he overpaid for and was scammed. He talked about curb stoning; curb stoning is selling two vehicles per year without a license. Mr. Wright claims he bought a bad van from a curb stoner here in Mt. Pleasant. He claims that 10 more cars will be sold on Mt. Pleasant's State Street within the next month. He would like to know what can be done to stop it.

Chief Gray responded that there is a lot to Mr. Wright's statement, however if Jay Wright would like to provide the vehicles that Chief Gray will investigate it. They both agreed to work together to make sure these vehicles aren't breaking any city codes.



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6. Council Reports

Paul Madsen: Didn't have a lot to report, working with Jack has some bids for dirt work down at the arena. It was brought to his attention that they started to crack seal out the cemetery and they hadn't been cleaning out the cracks before they are sealing them. He also stated that the cemetery is a waste of money to crack seal. That it needs to be chipped sealed out there. He feels like someone needs to watch the process and not just turn them loose. Ron Black stated he talked to Colter Allen and that UDOT asked us to crack seal the bridges. Ron was going to follow-up on the crack seal at the cemetery. Roads will begin this spring. Ron stated that we do need to prioritize our crack seal.

Russell Keisel: Stated Gary Arnoldson is going to get an architectural drawing so they can go after a grant for it. Brittany will be off for 10 days, there is a problem in the acid room. Shane Ward is going to help investigate the problem. Shane stated it was spec'd for all stainless steel in that room.

Rondy Black: Last fall we had approved a chip seal from Hales for 6 miles of roads. The chip was stacked out by the rodeo arena. Hales is planning on coming in May to chip seal. He will make sure the crack sealing and the potholes are done before the chip seal is done. The cost of the project was \$375,000 Hales did agree to honor that project. Rondy talked to Finance Director Dave Oxman, and we should be able to do about 6 blocks of roads. Paul Madsen asked us to talk to the county to see if we could get them to go in and do 200 North.

Rondy feels like a 2-inch overlay may been a better option. He would like other council members to think about which roads we should begin to fix.

Cade Beck: The water plant is on schedule, equipment for that is just sitting in the power shed. There is an issue out the industrial park where Vern Akuola's property. Colter is going to go out there to see what can be done about that problem. It was agreed that we would initially fix this problem for Vern.

- 7. Mayor Pro Tempore Report:** Monte Bona had Councilmember Cade Beck read the State Code and explained why the council was able to discuss RDA projects in council meeting. He went over the cost of the arena cost breakdown which he gave the council a copy of. Councilman Paul Madsen and Jack Widdison are working together on the project. Jack has obtained 3 bids for the dirt work and grating at the arena.



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Jack Widdison gave a brief report on how busy the arena has been. He stated they are booked every weekend. Jack said they had received 4 bids, and that each bidder was given the same guidelines. Two are extremely close, one was in the ballpark, and one was way high.

Cade Beck asked what the scope was. Councilman Paul Madsen stated some contractors will throw out a high bid if they have too much work. The high bid had trucking and material he said that it had been explained that the city was going to do themselves.

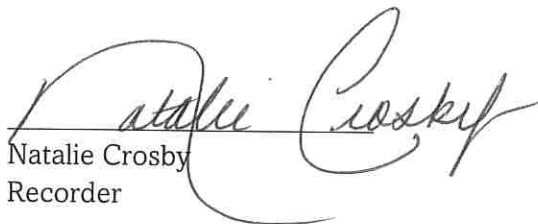
Paul Madsen also stated that the contractor would be digging 14 inches down where the arena is going to go. Some sand will need to be used to fill.

Jack Widdison stated they would like to go ahead from the Council to go ahead and start the project. Councilman Rondy Black asked if we were fulfilling all the requirements on these grants. Monte Bona and Paul Madsen both responded that yes, we are meeting the requirements for the grant.

Jack stated that this arena would be a huge asset to the Contoy. It will be used more than once a year.

8. Adjourn

Motion: 7:44 pm, Action: Adjourn, moved by Paul C. Madsen, Seconded by Cade A. Beck.


Natalie Crosby
Recorder