

Manti City Council Regular Meeting

MINUTES

OCTOBER 2, 2024

6:30 PM

MANTI CITY BUILDING

50 SOUTH MAIN STREET

MEETING CALLED BY	Mayor Alfred C Bigelow
TYPE OF MEETING	Regular Council Meeting
ATTENDEES	Councilmembers: AJ Mower, Mary Wintch, Jeff Killian, Jennifer Christiansen and Mary Pipes City Manager: Kent Barton City Recorder: JoAnn Otten
ABSENT	
WELCOME	Mayor Bigelow
PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE	Led by Councilmember AJ Mower

ITEM 1	Darlene Blackham, Manti Senior Citizens, request to address Mayor and Council regarding assistance with transportation for senior citizens.
Ms. Blackham introduced Mr. Brian Francois, the newest Senior Citizen Board member, and said he would address the Mayor and City Council. Mr. Francois said that the Senior Citizens received a \$90,000 grant from R6 for the purchase of a van to transport seniors from Manti, Ephraim and Sterling to doctor appointments, grocery shopping, local events or an occasional trip to Filmore and Richfield. He said that a van has been purchased and the Seniors are requesting Manti City to provide insurance for the van, and Sanpete County has agreed to reimburse the city for the cost of the insurance. Mr. Francois said that ownership of the van would be transferred to Manti City and a list of volunteer drivers would be provided to the city, as they understood there would be requirements from the proposed drivers. Mayor Bigelow said that he had met with Ms. Blackham regarding insuring the van and he would like to meet with the Mayors of Ephraim and Sterling and see if they would be willing to contribute since this would benefit seniors from their cities. He also	

said that the drivers would be required to complete a defensive driving course and a D02 report would need to be pulled for each driver.

The Mayor also asked for a copy of the grant application so the city knows if there are any requirements that need to be met.

Councilmember Pipes inquired who would be responsible for the upkeep of the van and providing gas for the trips. Mr. Francois said that the city would own the van so the upkeep would fall there, but the seniors that use the van would be required to contribute for the gas.

Councilmember Wintch said that it was great to help and enhance the lives of seniors in the community. She continued by saying that Manti City has an obligation to support businesses in Manti and she was not comfortable contributing funds, which would send citizens to other communities to spend their money and support their businesses. She said that Manti has a pharmacy, grocery store, clothing store and hardware store right here.

Mr. Francois said that they would have a set schedule and would try not to take them out of Manti, however, they would not take away the rights of the seniors to choose where they wanted to buy their supplies or accommodate their needs.

Additional discussion ensued.

Councilmember Mower then asked if it would be easier for the Senior Citizens Center to purchase the insurance on their own, and then get reimbursed by Sanpete County.

ACTION

It was the consensus of the Mayor and Council that the Ms. Blackham and Mr. Francois check into the cost and availability of insurance for the van.

Councilmember Killian commended the group for helping the seniors in the community.

ITEM 2

- 1. Discussion and consideration of adoption of Parameters Resolution 2024-4, a resolution authorizing not more than \$9,500,000 repayable principal amount of taxable water revenue bonds, in one or more series, for water system improvements, including a new treatment plant, and related**

	improvements; providing for the publication of a notice of public hearing and bonds to be issued; fixing the maximum aggregate principal amount, maturity, interest rate and discount of the bonds; providing for the running of a contest period; and related matters.
City Attorney Eric Johnson introduced himself and provided a background and credentials to the City Council. He then said that the City Council previously considered the parameters resolution and held a public hearing. However, there are strict rules and the notification had not been completed correctly so it must be noticed again, and another public hearing held regarding the issuance of bonds for the construction of a new water treatment plant. Mayor Bigelow then stated that a public hearing will be held for the purpose of inviting public comment on the proposed issuance of the Bonds and the economic impact that the improvements proposed to be financed with the Bonds will have on the private sector. The public hearing will be held on November 6, at 6:30 p.m. The Bonds will be issued pursuant to the Resolution and a Final Bond Resolution to be adopted authorizing and confirming the sale of the Bonds for the purposes of financing the acquisition and construction of water system improvements, including a new treatment plant, and related improvements, and paying the costs of issuing the Bonds. As there was no discussion, Mayor Bigelow called for a motion to adopt Parameters Resolution 2024-4.	
ACTION	
Councilmember Mary Pipes moved to adopt Parameters Resolution 2024-4, seconded by Councilmember Jeff Killian. Councilmembers voting "aye": Mary Pipes, Jeff Killian, Jennifer Christiansen, Mary Wintch and AJ Mower. Councilmembers voting "nay": none. Mayor Bigelow noted that a public hearing will be scheduled for November 6th.	
ITEM 3	Monthly financial report - September 2024 statements. City Manager Barton presented the August 2024 Financial Statement, which is attached to and made part of the minutes.

He reported that 25% of the budget year is complete with total budgeted revenues realized at 17.3% and total budgeted expenses coming in at 25.8%. He then reviewed the Enterprise and Special Revenue Funds with water revenue at 27.7% of budget and expenses at 11.5%, sewer department budgeted revenues at 25.7% and expenses at 14.3% and electric fund budgeted revenues at 26.4% and expenses 27.9%.

CONCLUSION

Mayor Bigelow thanked City Manager Barton for his report.

ITEM 4

Continuing business.

Inland Port Project

None

Short-term rental ordinance

City Manager Barton said that the planning commission has been asked to move the development of a short-term rental ordinance to the top of their priority list.

Youth City Council

Councilmember Christiansen inquired if there were any youth city council records available at the city office.

Signage at city entrance

None

Pickleball noise complaints

Mayor Bigelow said that the hours at the pickleball court should be changed prior to the spring of 2025. City Manager Barton said that the electrical department has changed the hours of the lighting to 6 am – 10 p.m.

ITEM 5

Councilmembers reports.

Councilmember Pipes reported that Senator Mike Lee's staff will be in Ephraim and Fairview on October 10th to discuss important issues with citizens.

Councilmember Pipes said she would like to organize a gathering at the Pioneer Park to recognize the arrival of the Pioneers to Manti. It was the consensus of the Mayor and City Council that this be scheduled for November 16th and Councilmember Pipes spearhead the event.

Councilmember Christiansen reported that the Halloween Festival kick off with the Seniors Spirit Gathering and Walk scheduled for October 12th at 10:30 a.m. with pre-

registration is available at manticity.com. There is also a pickleball tournament scheduled for October 12th.

Councilmember Killian said there is currently a vacancy on the Airport Board.

Councilmember Wintch reported that the State Librarians are looking into having a book drop at different locations in Sanpete County and also the possibility of a county library system.

ITEM 6	Public comment - two minutes per each comment.
<u>Mike Weiss - 435 East 100 South</u>	
Mr. Weiss questioned if the Senior Citizen building is privately owned or if it is owned by Manti City, and the Mayor said it is owned by the city.	

ITEM 7	Mayor Bigelow.
None	

ITEM 8	Consideration of approval for minutes of prior meeting.
Mayor Bigelow directed Councilmembers to draft minutes of the council meeting of September 11, 2024. After brief discussion, seeing there were no errors or changes noted, he called for a motion to accept the minutes as presented.	
ACTION TAKEN	
Councilmember AJ Mower made the motion to accept the minutes of the September 11, 2024, regular council meeting, seconded by Councilmember Mary Wintch. Councilmembers voting "aye": AJ Mower, Mary Wintch, Jennifer Christiansen, Jeff Killian and Mary Pipes. Councilmembers voting "nay": none.	

ITEM 9	City Manager Kent Barton.
City Manager Barton reported on the following items:	
The Planning Commission will hold a public hearing regarding the draft subdivision ordinance, which will bring Manti City into compliance with state regulations. A public hearing will be held with the city council on October 16th.	

- Referenced the email in the packet regarding the short-term rental complaint by Sean Olson, and noted that the planning commission has been directed to propose legislation.
- He and Mayor Bigelow met with Amy Ivory of R6 to apply for an ROC grant.
- The fall ATV ride was a huge success with 150 individuals registered for the ride. Barton thanked the City Council and crew for the support in this event.
- He and Public Works Director Cory Hatch and Water/Sewer Superintendent Brady Barton met with Jones & DeMille Engineering regarding the sewer masterplan.
- The Planning Commission will hold a public hearing regarding the proposed fence ordinance on October 9th.
- A public hearing is scheduled for October 16th to hear public comment relative to possible CDBG projects.
- The bills are in the packet for review.
- Has an issue involving personnel, collective bargaining and litigation for closed session.

ACTION TAKEN

Councilmember Jeff Killian moved to adjourn from regular session into closed session to discuss personnel, collective bargaining and litigation, seconded by Councilmember Mary Wintch. Councilmembers voting "aye": Jeff Killian, Mary Wintch, Mary Pipes, Jennifer Christiansen, AJ Mower. Councilmembers voting "nay": none.

Adjourned from closed session into regular session.

Councilmember AJ Mower moved to pay the bills and adjourn the meeting, seconded by Councilmember Mary Pipes. Councilmembers voting "aye": AJ Mower, Mary Pipes, Mary Wintch, Jeff Killian and Jennifer Christiansen. Councilmembers voting "nay": none.

ADJOURNED	8:50 P.M.
NEXT MEETING DATE	Regular Council Meeting – October 16, 2024

General Account

Wernex Termite & Pest Control	\$ 15,900.00
Utah Local Governments Trust	742.73
Professional Title Services	15,874.99
Cory Hatch	162.50
JoAnn Otten	143.93

The Main Event	1,665.50
Cache Valley Bank	100,000.00
Christine Hanks	200.00
Mary Pipes	20.00
Jennifer Christiansen	20.00
AJ Mower	20.00
Mary Wintch	20.00
Jeff Killian	20.00
Utah Municipal Power Agency	137,902.83
Zions Bank	9,725.71


 Alfred Bigelow, Mayor


 JoAnn Otten, City Recorder