



Minutes
Mount Pleasant City Council
January 28th, 2025
6:30 p.m.
Regular Meeting

The Mount Pleasant City Council held a regular meeting on January 28th, 2025, at 6:30 p.m. The meeting was held in the City Council Chambers at 115 West Main Street, Mount Pleasant, Utah.

1. Welcome – *Mayor Pro Tempore Russell Keisel*

2. Opening Ceremony –

Pledge of Allegiance – *Lynn Beesley*

Opening Prayer- *Cade Beck*

UAMPS recording of the Power Department- *City Recorder*

3. Roll Call – *City Recorder*

Present: D. Lynn Beesley, Russell G. Keisel, Cade A. Beck.

Excused: Paul C. Madsen, Michael T. Olsen, Rondy Black

Employees in Attendance: Natalie Crosby, Chief Steve Gray, Dave Oxman, Marilu Zamudio, Brittany Adams, Stephanie Blain, Colter Allen, Nate Taylor, Cameron Parry.

Others in Attendance: Jeff McDonald, Jamey Wright, Ben Coray, Claudia Jarrett, Pam Stoker.

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

Invoice Register:

Dated 01/11/2025 to 01/24/2025 in the amount of \$199,148.89

Motion: Action: To Approve, **moved by** Cade A. Beck **Seconded by** D. Lynn Beesley

Yes: D. Lynn Beesley, Russell G. Keisel, Cade A. Beck.

Vote: Motion carried by roll call vote Yes = 3

Requisition # 202501281544 to Owen Equipment for Vac Truck Repair in the amount of \$7,406.71.

Motion: Action: To Approve, **moved by** Cade A. Beck **Seconded by** Russell G. Keisel

Yes: Russell G. Keisel, Cade A. Beck.

No: Lynn



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5. Approval of Minutes – Mayor

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Motion: Action: To Approve, **moved by** D. Lynn Beesley **Seconded by** Cade A. Beck

Motion carried

6. Discussion/Action

- a. **Approval of Paul Madsen** as the Public Works Special Projects Employee, assigned to special projects.

Councilman Beesley initiated a discussion on the potential cost savings that Paul Madsen could bring to the city. Councilman Beck questioned the necessity of the position, asking whether it was essential and how its value could be measured. He emphasized the importance of tracking projects to determine if the position truly results in cost savings. Additionally, he suggested that equipment usage and project hours should also be documented.

Councilman Beck further inquired about the appropriate title for the role, questioning whether Paul should be designated as a "Public Works Special Employee."

Councilman Beck suggested creating a job description for the City Special Projects Employee position to clearly define its responsibilities and purpose. He emphasized the importance of having a formal description in place to determine whether the position should be filled in the future if Paul Madsen is no longer in the role.

Colter Allen presented the council with the inspection report from the Trust regarding the playground equipment, noting that the city had failed the inspection and faced significant repairs. Councilmen Kiesel and Beesley acknowledged the extensive effort that had already gone into the playground and agreed that addressing the issues would not be a simple task.

Dave Oxman stated that he wanted to explore using the term "City Special Projects Employee" instead of "Public Works Special Employee" to better reflect the legality of the position.

A motion was made to prepare a resolution creating the "City Special Projects Employee position."

Motion: Action: To approve the action to prepare a resolution creating the "City Special Projects Employee position."



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Vote: Motion carried by roll call vote Yes = 3

b. Approval of \$1,000 Payment toward the Lunar New Year Celebration for fireworks.

Motion: Action: To Approve, moved by Cade Beck Seconded by D. Lynn Beesley

Yes: D. Lynn Beesley, Russell G. Keisel, Cade A. Beck.

Vote: Motion carried by roll call vote Yes = 4

c. Update on the Veteran's Memorial Fund Balance: \$822.28

Councilman Keisel reviewed the plans to move forward with the fundraising for the Veteran's Memorial.

7. 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.

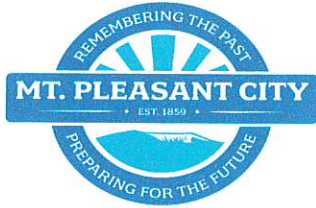
Claudia Jarett:

Claudia expressed ongoing concerns about the city park, questioning how the park equipment was sold. She suggested that any proceeds from the sale be allocated toward a new playground for younger children. She emphasized that the park is one of the few places where families can go for free.

She also thanked the council for their service but urged them to consider and incorporate input from community members in their decisions.

Jeff McDonald:

Referenced the State of Utah's conflict of interest code, emphasizing that the concern lies in how the public perceives a council member working for the city while also serving the council.



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Ben Coray:

Provided a brief update on the water project, stating that the pump has been started, and water has been pumped. The project is nearly complete, with a few minor defects being addressed. They are also working with the City's SCADA system (Dorsett) to ensure proper data reception. A surveyor is expected next week to proceed with the next steps.

8. Council Reports

Lynn Beesley:

- Noted a few issues within Planning and Zoning and suggested looking into potential rezoning.
- Discussed recreation impact fees with Stephanie and reported that recreation programs remain busy.

Cade Beck:

- Announced that Public Works will begin using a man-hour project tracker to provide accurate weekly estimates of time and resources spent on each project.

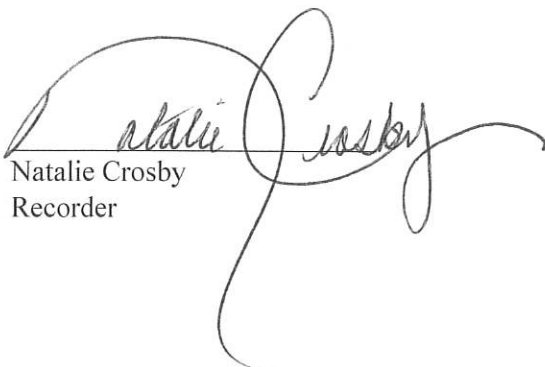
Russell Kiesel:

- Proposed moving public participation to the beginning of the agenda so that community members could speak before any votes are taken.
- It is suggested that any issues with city employees be addressed directly with the employee and the mayor.
- Noted that if the council has any concerns with the claims register to seek clarification before meetings with the office staff.

9. Mayor Report: Mayor excused from meeting.

10. Adjourn

Motion: Action: To Adjourn, **moved by** D. Lynn Beesley **Seconded by** Cade A. Beck


Natalie Crosby
Recorder