



Work Session Minutes
Mount Pleasant City Council
February 25th, 2025
5:30 p.m.
Regular Work Session Meeting

The Mount Pleasant City Council held a Work Session on February 25th, 2025, at 5:30 p.m. The meeting was held in the City Council Chambers at 115 West Main Street, Mount Pleasant, Utah.

1. Roll Call

Present: D. Lynn Beesley, Michael T. Olsen, Rondy G. Black, Cade A. Beck.

Excused: Russell G. Kiesel, Paul C. Madsen.

Employees in Attendance: Natalie Crosby, Dave Oxman, Marilu Zamudio, Colter Allen, Ben Swapp, Stephanie Blain, Dawn Coates, Shane Ward, Jeff Parish.

Others in Attendance: Jamey Wright, Rick Allred

2. Irrigation Lot Split Fee- *Mayor Olsen*

Mayor Olsen discussed the need for an ordinance requiring a fee for lot splits, particularly concerning irrigation. The council considered implementing a deposit and inspection fee, estimated to be between \$2,000 and \$3,000. The mayor will reach out to the county to explore cooperation in managing lot splits effectively.

3. Trailer Ordinance- *Chief Gray*

Chief Gray was unable to attend the meeting. The council discussed implementing new regulations for people living in trailers within the city. Key considerations included requiring trailers to be hooked up to city utilities, especially sewer, to address sanitation concerns. They debated allowing trailers on private property if properly connected but expressed concerns over multiple trailers on a single lot. Also brought up concerns with propane tanks on the property. The council aims to balance affordability concerns with maintaining community standards and agreed to continue working on drafting an ordinance addressing these issues. Mayor Olsen instructed Dave Oxman to start working on an ordinance for the trailers, currently Dave is working on an Accessory Dwelling Ordinance that may address some of these issues with Sunrise Engineering.

Paul Madsen entered the meeting at 5:55 PM.

4. Celebrations Discussion –*Recorder*

The council discussed potential options for managing celebrations due to the loss of our Celebrations Director Christa Lee Durrant and whether to hire a dedicated full-time person or a part-time employee. The possibility of a dual-duty role integrating recreation and celebrations was considered. The need for improved communication and coordination of activities was emphasized.

- Natalie highlighted the potential to generate revenue through city celebrations and events, even when some are offered for free.



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- The discussion included advertising a part-time or possibly full-time position for celebration coordination.

5. Department Head Reports

Dawn Coates-

- "1000 Books Before Kindergarten" program is going well.
- Has had 20-25 kids at preschool reading time
- Dawn Coates presented the "Color Our World" theme for the upcoming Summer Reading program, she had spoken to Natalie about mixing celebrations and the Summer Reading Program and doing a chalk throw at the park, Estimating costs at approximately \$900 for 1.2 lbs. per person.

Shane Ward-

- Has a few questions on the personnel policy
- Gavin is still attending school, will test out in June for his 3rd year.
- Getting ready to start the new metering system.
- Provided updates on the four-plex lighting project, expected to save the city over \$100,000, with installation beginning in June.
- Meetings coming up with IPSA.
- Working with Rocky Mountain Power to explore options for mitigating future power outages.

Stephanine Blain-

- Reported on ongoing programs.
- Signups going on for baseball, softball and track.

Colter Allen-

- Reported on the completion of the bathroom project at the cemetery, with pending work from a contractor to finish the building.
- The department is preparing for pothole repairs and irrigation work.
- Proposed delaying stripping the snowplow for a couple of weeks.
- The vacuum truck pump has failed, with an estimated replacement cost of \$38,000, while a new truck would cost approximately \$500,000.
- Colter asked if Dave Oxman would possibly set up a savings account for equipment purchases, with Colter bringing a requisition for the truck at the next council meeting.
- Three Public Works employees are currently in the apprenticeship program, but one employee recently resigned, leaving a job opening.



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- Councilman Beck inquired about starting irrigation earlier than April 15th. Colter confirmed they could begin filling on April 1st, 2025. Shane Ward noted that Unit 4 Hydro might not be operational by April 15th.

Ben Swapp-

- Expressed excitement for John Blackburn to return to work from light duty.

Dave Oxman-

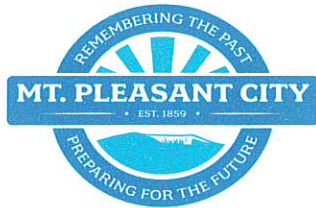
- Reported on upcoming public hearings regarding the Accessory Dwelling Ordinance and ongoing work on Planned Unit Developments (PUDs) Ordinance.
- Will be sending out Transportation Master Plan Draft
- NRCS met on the Irrigation Project.

Colter Allen wanted to add that they used the mats at the Cemetery this last burial and they worked great. Thanked the council for approving those mats.

Natalie Crosby-

- Regarding Colter's comment on using those mats at the cemetery, it will now take three guys for a burial. Natalie has been calculating the costs of all the cemetery costs into new fees for burials, would like to bring a resolution for this to the council's next meeting.
- The Trust came and met with Natalie and Brittany and introduced a new safety program by the trust, offering a 20% discount on the city's insurance premium if all employees complete required training.
- Natalie suggested offering incentives to employees for completing the training.

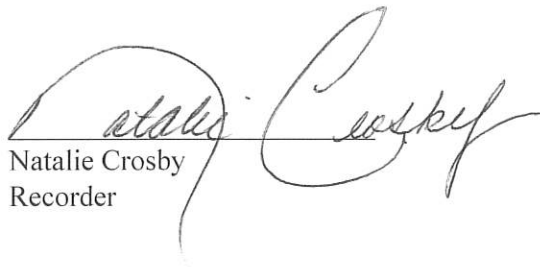
Councilman Black requested improvements to the driveway leading to the mailboxes, including spreading gravel in key areas.



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6. Adjourn

Motion: Action: To Adjourn at 6:29 pm, **moved by** Cade A. Beck **Seconded by** Rondy G. Black


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Recorder