

**Mt. Pleasant City Council
Minutes
September 8, 2009
7:30 P.M.
REGULAR MEETING**

The Mt. Pleasant City Council held a regular meeting September 8, 2009 at 7:30 p.m.. The meeting was held in the Council Chambers, 115 West Main, Mt. Pleasant, Utah.

1. Welcome

The Mayor welcomed everyone to the meeting.

2. Opening Ceremony/Pledge of Allegiance

Monte read from "The Age of Scared Terror" he felt this would be appropriate because of the division in the country right now.

The Mayor led the group in the Pledge of Allegiance.

3. Roll Call

Monte Bona, Michael Hafen-excused, Chris Larsen, Coleen Oltrogge, Reed Thomas, Mayor Bigler, Recorder East
Others Present: Wayne Larsen, Harry Hansen, Scott Haslem, Eric Probasco-Messenger, Steve Clark, Shannon Davidson and her father, Julie Abrahamson, Dennis Wilkinson-ComLink, Wanda Terry

4. Approval of Agenda Items

Motion to approve the agenda as written: Coleen Second: Chris
Question on the Motion All Aye

5. Approval of Minutes

Motion to approve the minutes of August 25, 2009: Reed Second: Coleen
Question on the Motion All Aye

6. Approval of Claims & Requisitions

Motion to approve the claims in the amount of \$175,756.11: Coleen Second: Reed
Question on the Motion Roll Call Vote All Aye
Motion to approve the warrant register from the August 25, 2009 meeting in the amount of \$158,160.88: Chris
Second: Reed Question on the Motion Roll Call Vote All Aye

7. Billing adjustments

Did not receive this report.

Requisition for the power dept to purchase 6 25 kva pad mount transformers.

Motion to approve the purchase of six 25 kva pad mount transformers in the amount of \$7530.00: Coleen
Second: Chris Question on the Motion Roll Call Vote All Aye

Requisition for the Public Works Dept to purchase playground equipment for the Power Plant Park.
This request was tabled until later to see if the finances improve.

45 **8. Public Participation**

46 Participation is limited to 3 minutes unless special permission is given by the council.

47 Harry Hanson came forward to thank the City for lowering his power bill. The City Administrator
48 responded we didn't. She told him she would check into the billing to see if there was a problem
49 because we just upgraded our billing software.

50 **9. Centra Com Proposal Pole agreement**

51 Steve Clark was representing Centra Com, he gave a little history of the phone company and their
52 relationship with the City. He stated that when they bought out the Qwest system it was in bad repair
53 and they have spent hundreds of thousands of dollars repairing it and bringing it up to their standards.
54 He stated they have a lot of equipment and have done work for the power dept. and not charged them
55 for the work. They have some poles that they own and our power lines hang from those poles. They do
56 not charge us for that use. He suggested that we use the benchmark that the Sate Public Service
57 Commission has set which is \$7.36 per pole across the board. They are concerned that we don't charge
58 them a double fee for the poles that they use for phone and cable. Monte asked if Steve had any idea
59 what the future of land lines was given the younger generation mostly uses cell phones and do not even
60 have a land line in their homes. Steve said that it is a real concern and continues to decline. Monte
61 asked if we were to raise the fees to the suggested \$14 per pole if they would have to pass along that
62 increase to their customers. Steve replied that they had not gone for a rate increase for a long time but
63 if we charged them those fees they would have to raise their rates. Sally asked if they would sign an
64 agreement and Steve said they have no problem with that they have several of those in place with other
65 companies. They would also build in an index that would look at the cost and rate increases on the
66 poles in the future.

67 **Motion** to accept the proposal from Centra Com to pay \$7.36 per pole that they attach to, which is the
68 benchmark the Public Service Commission has set: Monte Second: Coleen
69 Question on the Motion All Aye

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71 **10. Resolution 2009-12 Wastewater Self Assessment**

72 Cass is required to complete this waste water report on an annual basis it requires a resolution to be
73 passed by council.

74 **Motion** to approve Resolution 2009-12 A Municipal Water Planning Resolution: Monte
75 Second: Chris Question on the Motion All Aye

76 **11. Appointment of Mayor Pro Tem**

77 Monte has served as the Mayor Pro Tem for Chesley for a number of years. He is finished with his
78 cancer treatments and now back in the office full-time once again

79 **Motion** to approve Monte Bona as Mayor Pro Tem: Chris Second: Reed
80 Question on the Motion All Aye

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82 **12. Mayor's Report**

83 The Mayor wanted to publicly thank Leon Peterson for taking the time to give the Mayor and Council a
84 tour of the Twin Creeks ponds and to answer their questions. It was very worthwhile.
85 She had a call from Glen Peel the Pres. the Twin Creek board. He said they would work on getting

86 their meter fixed he also said the City is not over using their share of the water. They are committed to
87 working with the City to solve the problems that have happened this summer.
88 The water has been off or had very low pressure in the west side of town this may be due to the break
89 behind the Wells Fargo Bank. Scott Haslem stated that there was a break behind Deanna Hansen's
90 home and that was fixed so the water is now back on. Twin Creek is off and Reed said he would look
91 into why it was turned off. Sandra suggested that he talk to Twin Creek instead of starting with our
92 guys. The Recorder asked him not to give out Cass' phone number it is almost impossible for Cass to
93 get any work done with the amount of phone calls he receives. If the council wants something done
94 they need to call City Hall and have a Work Order completed. Reed said he was concerned about the
95 citizens getting a response. Sally stated that he could leave a phone number on the work order and the
96 guys would call the person back.

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98 **13. Council Concerns**

99 **Monte: Nothing**

100 **Michael: excused**

101 **Chris:** He has been down looking over the street project and the sidewalk between the new Wasatch
102 Academy building and 200 South on the East side is in very bad shape. He wanted to know if the City
103 had money to pay half of that if the property owners pd the other half. He is aware that we have
104 committed to using the sidewalk money in this budget along State Street. He will get bids and then see
105 what we can do about finding the money.

106 **Coleen:** The Library Board held their meeting today. They would like to see the remodel project on the
107 Library go out to bid as soon as possible. The new Snow College Library project can in way under
108 what was projected and they were able to use the extra funds to complete additional items.
109 Monte stated that the Snow Library was much bigger and had a lot more money to spend he doubted
110 that we would see those economies of scale. Coleen said they still want it to go to bid as soon as
111 possible. Monte explained the guidelines for using Federal funds and said we have to follow the
112 process. The Library Board wants to be involved in the bid process and the selection of the contractor.
113 The Mt. Pleasant Library received a 5 Star Rating again. They are looking to maybe have a library
114 corner in the newspaper to give updates on the programs etc at the library. They are starting
115 preparation for the Christmas season.

116 **Reed:** Wants to know why the water is off on Twin Creek again.

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118 **14. Adjourn 8:55 p.m.**

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121 Sally East, Recorder

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