

Mt. Pleasant City Council  
MINUTES

March 8, 2011  
7:30 P.M.

REGULAR MEETING

The Mt. Pleasant City Council held a regular meeting March 8, 2011 at 7:30 p.m.. The meeting was held in the Council Chambers, 115 West Main, Mt. Pleasant, Utah.

1. Welcome

Mayor welcomed everyone to the meeting.

2. Opening Ceremony/Pledge of Allegiance

The mayor turned the time over to Monte. He congratulated the Wasatch Men's Basketball team for winning State for the first time in over 100 years. The Mayor also congratulated the basketball team. She told the team she was going to have a plaque made commemorating their victory. The council and visitors applauded the team. Every player of the team stood and said where they were from, and what position they played. The coach then thanked Mt. Pleasant for their support.

The mayor led the council in the pledge of allegiance.

3. Roll Call

Mayor Sandra Bigler, Justin Atkinson, Monte Bona, Michael Hafen, Coleen Oltrogge, Reed Thomas. Recorder Woodard. Others present: Eric Probasco, David Morgan, Dakota Kleven, Caden Birch, Jim & Penny Hatfield, Harry Hansen, Glenadine & Michael Hill, Isaac & Zane Zabriskie, Lorie Hardy, Peter Hafen, Heidi Anderson, Benjamin Anderson, Jeff & Geniel McDonald, Lois Tucker, Jon & Loyce Schuhmann, Lisa Burrows, David Breaux, Kay Jensen, Keith Ranck, Elden Fackrell, Nancy Smith, Dean Staker, Ron Staker.

4. Approval of Agenda Items

Motion to approve the agenda as written: Coleen. Second: Mike.

Question on the Motion: All Aye

5. Approval of Minutes

Motion to approve the minutes for 2/22/2011 as written: Coleen.

Second: Mike. Question on the Motion: All Aye

6. Approval of Claims & Requisitions

Justin asked about the \$1943.95, which is the heating bill for the gym. The \$1074.05 is for the rec center. The rec center bill should go down with the improvements that resulted from the energy grant. The gym bill will not change.

Motion to approve the claims for \$207,840.35: Mike.

Second: Coleen. Question on the Motion Roll Call Vote All Aye

Motion to approve Transaction Register Adjustments for \$1873.00: Justin.  
Second: Coleen. Question on the Motion All Aye

7. Public Participation

Mayor asked if anyone wanted to make public comment.

Harry Hansen asked for the council's feelings about the state legislature passing the law which would decrease public access to municipal documents. Monte commented he thought it was good the legislation was being reconsidered. Harry Hansen brought up Mt. Pleasant's website was rated at a D on the recent Sunshine Review, which was better than some other communities, but was poor. He asked for minutes to be corrected, and for greater transparency, in part, through making the city code available online. Jon explained the code online cost \$500 per year, and we cut that this year to save money. He explained it would take too much time to try and correct old minutes, and they have been approved by the council as written.

Jon Schuhmann, acting as president of the senior citizens center, asked for \$6,000 from the city budget next year. He explained they planned on installing a water softener, and heat tape on the roof. He provided a letter detailing his request for funds.

8. Heidi Anderson request for city water.

Heidi has 5 shares of Pleasant Creek irrigation, which runs through the Barton Ditch which she would like to exchange with the city for city water. The system is currently not pressurized. She is building a new house, and was wondering if the city would be willing to allow her to get on the city water, and what it would cost. Current houses in the area are on wells. She is exploring options, as a well will take 6 months to install.

Monte makes a motion to have Reed and Justin look into this, and bring a report back to the next city council meeting. Second: Coleen. Question on the Motion: All Aye.

9. Ordinance 2011-02 to define "a significant parcel of property" and "reasonable notice."

Monte explains he previously intended to bring this ordinance before the council, but forgot, but remembered to bring this forward due to Pete Hafen's comments last meeting.

Mike asked what is to be gained by enacting the ordinance.

Monte explained the need for the ordinance by reading portions of Utah Code 10-8-2. He explained the definitions we used were modeled after other municipalities in Utah, and the city was required to define these terms under the Utah Code.

Mike asked if unbuildable lots would require notice.

Monte explained under the ordinance, they would not, but it would be wise to still provide notice for such sales in Mt. Pleasant.

Mike asks if this would allow for the street to be vacated on the Wasatch campus without a public hearing, or if it would allow for the property by Monte's house to be vacated without a hearing.

Monte explained it would not allow the street on the Wasatch campus to be vacated, and he read the requirements of UMC 10-9a-208, which details the requirements

to vacate a public street. He explained it would allow for the property by his house to be sold without a hearing, but he had no intention of buying the property, and he thought it would be good to have public hearings on such matters even if not required under the ordinance.

Mike expressed he would like more time for the council to consider Ordinance 2011-02.

Monte made a motion to adopt Ordinance 2011-02. Second: Justin.  
Question on the Motion, Role call Vote: Yes: Monte, Justin, Reed, Coleen. Nay: Mike.

10. Energy tariff rate adjustment.

Mayor explained this matter was tabled at the last meeting, to allow for time to find out if there was an existing energy buying contract. Mayor explained they could not find any evidence of an existing energy contract.

Justin made a motion to adopt Resolution 2011-06. The Mayor read the resolution. Second: Coleen. Jon commented the date on the resolution was wrong. The Mayor advised she would not sign it until it was corrected. Question on the Motion: All Aye.

11. Report from the Sanpitch Arena Management (Sanpete Equestrian and Event Committee):

Kay Jenson thanked the city for their cooperation in getting the arena underway. 49 stalls will be installed. Free labor will put them in, and the materials were obtained at a discount. Kay mentioned several local businesses had commented to her that they notice increased business on the days events occur.

Kay and the Sanpete Equestrian and Event Committee are working hard to bring in the funds to make \$24k. of the bond payment on the arena, and she is optimistic this will be feasible. They have activities scheduled for nearly every weekend through the summer. They are also working to have taxes from the transient room tax used to support the arena.

They have also worked out a contract with Coca Cola which will allow for a scoreboard, a clock, a pop machine, and a fridge to be provided at the arena. Keith Ranck is also bringing in many memberships for the arena.

Reed thanked the Kay and the Sanpete Equestrian and Event Committee for working hard to make the event center work out well.

Monte asked Kay questions which further detailed some of the funds they are bringing in.

12. Mayor Report.

Mayor Bigler asked the council if everyone had received a copy of the Mt. Pleasant City Public Works goals sheet. They had, and there were no questions.

13. Council Concerns

Monte: Nothing.

Reed: Nothing.

Mike: He asked that the city advertise for a notice to bid on the food booth at the four-plex. This should be done every few years. The Mayor agreed.

Justin: He has been working to iron out the details of having Mt. Pleasant take over the 6th, 7th, & 8th grade basketball program from the School District, which will allow the programs to continue, while keeping the school district compliant with policies on travel. They have worked out a facilities agreement, and the fees for facilities use will be waived for this year. The district will transfer all funds they have collected to the city to pay for officials. The games will all be played in Mt. Pleasant, instead of having some in Moroni, so as to support Mt. Pleasant businesses.

Coleen: Nothing

14. Adjourn – 8:45.

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Jon Woodard, Recorder