

# Town of Mantua Council Meeting Minutes

Held on June 1, 2023

6:30 at Town Hall 409 North Main Mantua, Utah

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## Council Members present:

Mayor Terry Nelson	
Karen Nelson	Justin Brown – Via Zoom
Jared Jeppsen	Matt Jeppsen
Shayla HammerStone – Recorder	

<b>Audience present:</b>	Janis Johnson	Harper Johnson	Pam Eaves
Blake Marsh	Jenn Gardner	Pete Miller	Morgan & Holden Florence
Don Ruhl	Ronald Wallace	Marcus Abel	

**Meeting opened by Mayor Nelson and the invocation offered by Jared Jeppsen.**

**Pledge of allegiance – led by mayor Nelson followed by all in attendance.**

**Mayor Terry Nelson approved the minutes for the meeting held on May 18, 2023 as printed.**

**Matt Jeppsen made a motion to approved the signed bills, Karen Nelson seconded.**

Karen Nelson-YES      Justin Brown-NO VOTE      Jared Jeppsen-YES      Matt Jeppsen-YES

Terry Nelson-Yes

MOTION PASSES

**Public Comment:** None

## Action Items:

### **Resolution to Adopt Amended Budget for the Fiscal Year 2022-2023**

Discussed at previous work meetings and held a public hearing prior to the meeting.

**Karen Nelson made a motion to adopt the amended budget for the fiscal year 2022-2023, Jared Jeppsen seconded.**

## Fraud Risk Assessment

Ronald Wallace went over the annual fraud risk assessment with the council. They discussed one of the items that could boost the score which was having a member having at least forty hours of training. They weren't sure if Ronald qualified and if his training would be able to go towards the score. He said he would talk to Brenda and get back to them. With that in question, they decided to table if for later once they had an answer.

## **Summary of Fees**

The council was presented with an updated fee schedule to include the sewer rate raise as well as late fees for business licenses.

### **Jared Jeppsen made a motion to approve The Town of Mantua Summary of Fees Resolution No. 2023-06-01(B), Karen Nelson seconded.**

Karen Nelson-YES      Justin Brown- NO VOTE      Jared Jeppsen-YES      Matt Jeppsen-YES

Terry Nelson-Yes

MOTION PASSES

## **Fire Station Roof Repair Bids**

Harper reached out to two companies to come in and present their services for repairing the fire station roof. The first presentation was Peter Miller with Elite Commercial Roofing, he gave his background and presented the type of roof repairs that the company does. He discussed the materials used and the warranties available and provided a sample of what the repair would look like. He said that they are booked up to August and they stop spraying the coating around the middle of October to the beginning of November as it needs a higher temperature to cure properly.

The second presenter was Blake Marsh with JorCo Construction and he talked about his company's background. He has met with Harper and took a look at the fire station. He also showed the council a sample of the materials he would use and described the process of repair. The council decided to look into the two companies, get references and decide at a later date.

## **Discussion Items:**

### **Holden Florence**

Holden explained that they got their property surveyed it showed a right-of-way easement that he was trying to figure out if it was owned by the county or the town. He was told by the title company that it was supposed to be a road and that it was owned by the town. They discussed where the easement ran and whose lots they effected. Holden wanted to ask the council if they could road vacate be able to claim that property. Karen clarified with Pam Eaves that a Public Hearing would need to be held if they were to sell any town property. Terry informed Holden that they weren't in a position to make any decision but they would research more and that planning and zoning could take a look at it. Pam said she wasn't sure if she could get all the information by the next meeting but she'd let them know.

### **Cross Connection:**

Marcus Abel gave a brief presentation about the town's and residence's responsibility regarding the water meter check valves at each resident's home. He explained the different types of water pipes that are used and the cross-connection acts that are in place. He also said that everyone needs to have an inspection done on their check valves annually to make sure they're in compliance. He offered to answer any questions that any residents might have. Harper added that the dual checks aren't required but they've been installing them in all the newer water meters that they've set. Both stressed that the town residents need to be following the state's guidelines.

## **Planning and Zoning**

Pam said she's got a new assignment with the Florence's inquiry and that she's been working on the new zoning map.

## **Public Works**

Harper introduced Justin Sorensen and their newest public works employee. He said that Marcus has put a lot of work in to the cross connections. The town would have to have a full catalog of the water connections by 2024. He talked about needing to investigate the pipes for lead and they'd start with the ones that were easier to identify. He then noted that the cemetery looked great for Memorial Day and thanked Jeff and Marcus for making it nice. Harper informed the town that the North water tank had a problem and was overflowing, and they'd have to watch it carefully for the next 96 hours until someone could come up and repair it. He then advocated to the council for the town employees to be paid a better wage. Excluding himself and Janis, he explained that no town employee could afford to live in Mantua on the wages they are being paid and that it was necessary to have a public works employee live in town in case of emergencies.

## **Grant**

Karen reported that they are moving along and getting the paperwork submitted. She's got to get three bids for a couple of the projects and is waiting to hear back from a few to see if they've been accepted.

## **Council and Mayor Comments**

Mayor Nelson announced that it was the first day to apply for town council for the year 2024.

Karen Nelson asked for volunteers for Little Valley days and announced that there will be a puppet show on June 20<sup>th</sup> at the bowery.

Mayor Nelson commented that the Memorial Day celebration was very nice.

Ronald came back and said that they could count his forty hours of training for the fraud risk assessment but he'd have to confirm with the auditor if he was considered part of the management team.

## **Matt Jeppsen made a motion to adjourn, Karen Nelson seconded.**

Karen Nelson-YES      Justin Brown- NO VOTE      Jared Jeppsen-YES      Matt Jeppsen-YES

Terry Nelson-Yes

MOTION PASSES