

**COUNCIL MINUTES
FEBRUARY 7, 2008**

The Monte Vista City Council met for its regular monthly meeting on Thursday, February 7, 2008 at 7:00 p.m. in the Council Room, 4 Chico Camino, Monte Vista, CO.

Call to Order

Mayor Don Schall called the meeting to order.

Pledge of Allegiance

Mayor Don Schall led in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Roll Call

Members present Councilor Gabe Duran, Councilor Art Medina, Councilor William Spicer, Councilor Rose Wilson, and Mayor Don Schall. Record to indicate a quorum was present.

Others present City Attorney Eugene Farish, City Manager Don Van Wormer, Public Works Director Randy Martinez, City Clerk Lucille Duran, Parks and Recreation Director Mike Bork, Community Development Director Alisha Reis, and a member of the press.

Approval of Consent Agenda

Councilor Medina made a motion, and Councilor Wilson seconded, to approve the Consent Agenda as submitted. Consent Agenda consisted only of approval of January 17, 2008 Council Minutes, and approval of Expenditures. Motion carried unanimously.

Proclamations, Communications, and Appointments

Councilor Medina made a motion, and Councilor Spicer seconded, to appoint Kathleen L. Krager to the Monte Vista Planning and Zoning Commission. Motion carried unanimously.

Councilor Wilson made a motion, and Councilor Duran, seconded to accept the resignation of Debbie Garcia from the Monte Vista Main Street Board. Motion carried unanimously.

Contracts/Agreements/Leases

Karla Shriver – This is to purchase the bucking chutes and back pens for the Stampede grounds complex. I have two bids, one from W-W and one from Priefert. We want to go with the bid from Priefert. Councilor Medina made a motion, and Councilor Duran seconded to approve the contract with Priefert Manufacturing plus freight. Motion carried unanimously.

Councilor Medina made a motion, and Councilor Wilson seconded, to approve the Request for Discount for the Monte Vista Crane Festival. Motion carried unanimously.

Licenses/Liquor Renewals

Councilor Duran made a motion, and Councilor Wilson seconded, to approve the renewal for Hotel and Restaurant Liquor License for Nino's. Motion carried unanimously.

Resolutions

Eugene Farish read Resolution No. 2-2008. Councilor Spicer made a motion, and Councilor Wilson seconded, to approve Resolution No. 2-2008 – Monte Vista Emergency Food bank designated as the recipient and beneficiary of surcharges from Municipal Court. Motion carried unanimously.

Ordinances

Councilor Medina made a motion, and Councilor Duran seconded, to approve Ordinance No. 801 on second reading – An Ordinance Amending the Code of Offenses and General Penalty Provisions of the Monte Vista Municipal Code. Motion carried unanimously.

Councilor Medina made a motion, and Councilor Spicer seconded, to approve Ordinance No. 802 on second reading – An Ordinance Amending 2-214 of the Monte Vista Municipal Code Addressing the Collection and Receipt of Moneys by the Municipal Court. Motion carried unanimously.

Reports

City Manager – Gene and I had a conference with the water attorney on the water augmentation plan.

Last week in Denver I attended the seminar for the transportation plan.

Ag Fair is next week I encourage Council to go out there.

I talked to Charlie Spielman on Tuesday at 2:00 p.m. There will be a meeting of the Basin Roundtable at the Inn of the Rio Grande in Alamosa and after this meeting there will be a speaker on Global warming in the San Luis Valley.

I will be meeting with the school board on the potential bond issue that they want to do.

The Capitol and the State House Legislature is looking at proposing an increase for state highways. At this point and time that's what we are hearing. Nothing in concrete as of yet.

I have a CML board meeting on the 20th. On Friday, there is a CML Statewide Wastewater Committee meeting. Legislative workshop is on February 27.

Next Tuesday at the Monte Villa Inn 7:00 a.m. Monte Vista EDC will have a presentation on building boilers and wood pellets about 20 to 25 minute presentation.

Staff

Randy Martinez – It's been a very trying time. Joe Kury's wife passed away last week. In the 15 years that I have been here this is the worst one yet. We had 23 households without water. We have gotten to 17 of them, and we have people that are still without water. The big snowstorm didn't help, so we are trying to keep up with everything. Need to get the word out for people to run their water.

Mike Bork – New heating system at Ski Hi Park. It works well. The bathrooms are about done. Getting ready for Monte Market this weekend. We have started opening the gym on Mondays and Wednesdays from 5:00 to 7:00 p.m. for basketball, volleyball, walking and rollerblading and it is free.

Council

Councilor Medina – Waste Management put out a letter raising the fees for the trash. I didn't like the way it was written. It was blaming the city for the fees going up. Letter wasn't even signed by Rick Stoeber.

Councilor Spicer – Someone asked me if we had any volunteers such as church groups or someone that go around and shovel snow. Mike Bork – Check with the Latter Day Saints. They do that.

Recess/Adjournment of Meeting

Meeting adjourned at 8:15 p.m.

Donald Schall, Mayor
Lucille Duran, City Clerk
Approved 2/21/08