

**COUNCIL MINUTES
MARCH 6, 2008**

The Monte Vista City Council met for its regular monthly meeting on Thursday, March 6, 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 and Mayor Don Schall. Councilor Rose Wilson was absent. Record to indicate a quorum was present.

Others present City Manager Don Van Wormer, Chief of Police Jim Gallegos, City Clerk Lucille Duran, a member of the press and guests.

Approval of Consent Agenda

Councilor Medina made a motion, and Councilor Duran seconded, to approve the Consent Agenda with the addition to accounts payable of \$382.44 to the U.S. Post Office. Motion carried unanimously.

Citizen Comments/Special Presentations

Donna Wehe from Colorado Small Business Development Center gave an update to City Council on the 2007 Center goals and report for the San Luis Valley.

Licenses/Liquor Renewals

Councilor Duran made a motion, and Councilor Medina seconded, to approve the Special Events Permit Application for SLV Ski Hi Stampede to be held on July 24, 25, 26 and 27th at Ski Hi Park. Motion carried unanimously.

Councilor Medina made a motion, and Councilor Spicer seconded, to approve the Special Events Permit Application for the Monte Vista Elks Lodge to be held on March 29, 2008. Motion carried unanimously.

Contracts/Agreements/Leases

Approval of grant contract for the Monte Vista Comp. Plan. Councilor Duran made a motion, and Councilor Medina seconded, to approve the grant contract with the Energy and Mineral Impact Assistance Program. Motion carried unanimously.

Reports

City Manager – We had a water leak on Chico Camino and that also caused the sewer line to collapse.

The Crane Festival is this weekend; so if you get a chance, go to it.

In talking with Randy on the Master Infrastructure Plan, we will have the draft for council in April so we can start prioritizing our projects.

I had a meeting with Stifel Nicholas who will be refinancing our debt. I will do the ordinance to start the process.

I had a conversation with Nolte - Cherry Creek is doing a lot of revamping of sidewalks, arts and so forth. It seems that they have a gazebo that they want to get rid of. Maybe we can put it in Fullenweider Park. We would have to go and pick it up. I will continue to track that.

I received an email from CML on a workshop for Strategic Planning on March 29. Reservations have to be in by March 21.

Councilor Spicer – When does the Golf Course meet? City Manager will check and let him know.

Staff

Chief Gallegos – I have received two resignations. Corey Housekeeper who is going to Provo Utah, and Cori Garcia who is going to work for Rio Grande Sheriffs Office as a jailer/dispatcher.

Council

Councilor Medina – William, Rose and I attended the Legislature workshop in Denver. I also attended a CML Policy Meeting.

Councilor Spicer – At the workshop, they talked about a proposal out on taxes for roads. Nothing concrete yet.

Recess/Adjournment of Meeting

Meeting adjourned at 7:50 P.M.

Donald Schall, Mayor
Lucille Duran, City Clerk
Approved 3/20/08