

Council Minutes May 4, 2006

The Monte Vista City Council met for their regular monthly meeting on May 4, 2006, at 7:00 P.M., at City Hall, 4 Chico Camino, Monte Vista, Colorado.

Call to Order

Mayor Don Schall called the meeting to order.

Pledge of Allegiance

Britt Jardon led in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Roll Call

Members present were Councilor Gabriel Duran, Councilor Art Medina, Councilor Rose Wilson, Councilor Charles Spielman and Mayor Don Schall. Record to indicate a quorum was present.

Others present were City Manager Don Van Wormer, City Attorney Eugene Farish, Chief of Police Jim Gallegos, Deputy City Clerk Rhonda Valdez, a member of the press, and guests.

Approval of Consent Agenda

Councilor Medina made a motion and Councilor Wilson seconded, to approve the Consent Agenda as submitted. The Consent Agenda consisted of the April 20, 2006, Council Minutes and approval of Expenditures. Motion carried unanimously.

Citizens Comments

Mel and Camille Getz - In 1907 the embargo was lifted that had kept the building of reservoirs at a stand still since 1898. We thought it would be appropriate to have another celebration like what happened in 1952. A huge celebration was held in San Luis and it was a 100 year celebration of the first continuance irrigation from 1852. It lasted for three days. We are forming a committee to achieve our ultimate goal of celebrating the 100th year of when the embargo was lifted and celebrate like they did in 1952. The time frame would be in 2007 around the time of Stampede. The grants that we applied for require a letter of support from the municipalities. Councilor Medina made a motion and Councilor Wilson seconded, to direct the City Manager to do a letter of support. Motion carried unanimously.

Resolutions

Councilor Wilson made a motion and Councilor Spielman seconded, to approve Resolution 10-2006 A Resolution setting Land Use Application Fees. Motion carried unanimously.

Councilor Medina made a motion and Councilor Duran seconded, to approve of Resolution 11-2006 A Resolution Authorizing the City Finance Director to sell financial shares held by the City of Monte Vista. Motion carried unanimously.

Ordinance

Councilor Medina made a motion and Councilor Spielman seconded, to approve of Ordinance 786, an Ordinance Prohibiting Smoking in Indoor Enclosed areas, Including Places of Employment in the City of Monte Vista, Colorado, on first reading. Motion carried unanimously. Farish – If a location is not prohibited by this Ordinance it is allowed. Chief Gallegos – If we walk into a bar and observe it, we will enforce it. It will be enforced on a complaint only basis.

Contracts/Agreements/Leases

Councilor Medina made a motion and Councilor Wilson seconded, to approve the Airport Leases for the following: Spud Seller, Inc., Lynn McCullough, Eric Ellithorpe and Joseph Lange as submitted. Motion carried unanimously.

Councilor Spielman advised that the golf course lease was revised pertaining to section 13 and there was insufficient time to distribute copies of the new lease to City Council. Councilor Wilson requested to table the Monte Vista Country Club lease in order to have sufficient time to review the changes.

Reports

City Manager

Paving project - The goal is to have a minimum of 3rd Street done before Stampede and with the hope to have the whole project done by Stampede.

May 11 is the CIRSA seminar. Monday, May 15 is the Spring Outreach Seminar. I have instituted a complaint log. I want to start tracking some of the issues that come in through City Hall whether it be visitations, phone calls, things of that nature so that we can get some kind of understanding as to what is going on in the community. Those sort of things that are issues. Whether it is a pot hole, a tree limb, water, or water rates, it doesn't matter. I'm going to use this not as anything more than trying to get a feel for the community and trying to improve some of our services. Obviously, there are some things we can do nothing about but just listen. Those too will be recorded. It is something that we are undertaking, and I am hopeful we can use this as a tool to be better at what we do.

Staff

Jim Gallegos – We applied and obtained \$1,000 for overtime pay for officers for the click-it or ticket campaign for the time period of May 22 to June 4. May 18 we will be participating in the Special Olympics Torch Run. The Chief of Police also advised of several classes and continued education for his department.

City Attorney

Eugene Farish

Board of Adjustment - The appeal was filed the last possible day and forwarded to CIRSA. Sign code committee continues to meet.

City Council

Councilor Wilson – The Airport Board had several complaints. I took them to the City Manager, and they were all taken care of.

Councilor Medina – Advised he would not be present at the next meeting as he will be at CML.

Executive Session

Councilor Speilman made a motion and Councilor Wilson seconded, to go into executive session for the purpose of determining positions relative to matters that may be subject to negotiations, developing strategy for negotiations, and/or instructing negotiators, under C.R.S. Section 24-6-402(4)(e); and to discuss the purchase, acquisition, lease, transfer, or sale of real, personal, or other property interest under C.R.S. Section 24-6-402(4)(a). Motion carried unanimously.

Recess/Adjournment of meeting

Meeting adjourned at 8:15 P.M. to May 18, 2006 at 7:00 P.M.

Donald Schall, Mayor
Rhonda Valdez, Deputy City Clerk
Approved 5/18/06