

COUNCIL MINUTES
June 1, 2006

The Monte Vista City Council met for its regular monthly meeting on Thursday, June 1, 2006 at 7:00 P.M. in the Council Room, 4 Chico Camino, Monte Vista, CO.

Called to Order

Mayor Don Schall called the meeting to order.

Pledge of Allegiance

City Clerk Lucille Duran led in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Roll Call

Members present were Councilor Gabe Duran, Councilor Art Medina, Councilor Charles Spielman, Councilor Rose Wilson, 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, Public Works Supervisor Randy Martinez, Ordinance Enforcement Officer Cori Garcia, City Clerk Lucille Duran, 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 is. Consent Agenda consisted of May 18, 2006 Council Minutes, and Approval of Expenditures. Motion carried unanimously.

Proclamations, Communications, and Appointments

Mayor Schall read Proclamation proclaiming June 1, 2006 as Chris Messick, Michaela Kaiser and Tyler Keck Day.

Employee Manuel Gonzales was given employee recognition – presented a Certificate of Appreciation. Manuel has been working for the City of Monte Vista for 30 years.

Sign Committee Appointments – Councilor Wilson made a motion, and Councilor Spielman seconded, to nominate Bob Bryning, Robert Doudna, Councilor Art Medina, City Manager Don Van Wormer, Land Use Administrator Beritt Odom, and City Attorney Eugene Farish to the Sign Committee. Motion carried unanimously.

Citizen Comments/Special Presentations

Monte Vista Chamber of Commerce – Jenna Ford talked about the Fireworks Show on July 2, 2006 to be held at Ski Hi Park. We have a letter from the Fire Chief they will have four trucks there. They have raised \$1,800 for the event. Councilor Duran made a motion, and Councilor Medina seconded, to approve the Fireworks Show on July 2, 2006. Motion carried unanimously.

Mike Schaefer and Daryl Plane weed supervisor for Rio Grande County. Just here to see what your plan is for weed control. Randy Martinez – we are working on areas already. Talked about the airport where the property is leased by Peter Clark. Who is responsible for that. Don Van Wormer – I think they are, but I will check their lease.

Licenses/Liquor Renewals

Councilor Medina made a motion, and Councilor Wilson seconded, to approve the Special Events Permit Applications for Knights of Columbus to be held on June 17, 2006 at 160 Adams Street and June 24, 2006 at Ski Hi Park. Motion carried unanimously.

Councilor Duran made a motion, and Councilor Medina seconded, to approve the renewal for 3.2% Beer Retail License for Love's Country Store, Inc. Motion carried unanimously.

Ordinances

Ordinance No. 786 – An Ordinance Prohibiting Smoking in Indoor Enclosed Areas, Including Places of Employment in the City of Monte Vista, Colorado. Councilor Medina made a motion, and Councilor Wilson seconded, to approve Ordinance No. 786 on second and final reading. Motion carried unanimously.

Ordinance No. 787 – An Ordinance Amending Sections 3-31 (Vicious Dog or Cat Prohibited) and Repealing Section 3-33 (Barking) of the Monte Vista Municipal Code. Councilor Medina made a motion, and Councilor Spielman seconded, to approve Ordinance No. 787 on first reading. Motion carried unanimously.

Contracts/Agreements/Leases

Councilor Spielman made a motion, and Councilor Wilson seconded, to approve the Memorandum of Agreement for Participation in Colorado Community Revitalization Association's Colorado Main Street Program. Motion carried unanimously.

Reports

City Manager – On the Main Street Program, city staff and myself have developed the RFQ requesting qualifications for a consultant to come out and deal with the First Ave. revitalization. Staff presented it to URA today for finalization. I understand that there was no real issues with it. We sent it off to one of the consultant firms who graciously is going to take a look at it. We will go ahead and advertise. We sent out the RFQ for the Ski Hi Park Master Plan. Met today with staff on the dangerous building abatement. We went through and developed a strategy. I will be on vacation beginning on the 7th; I will be back on the 19th, CML on the 20th. Alisha will be acting city manager while I'm gone. On the water meeting we had the other night, I just want to let you know that we are looking at three options. The city may have to go alone when we are working on these water issues and our augmentation and we need to become members of a sub district or sub districts and the third one was looking at a municipal sub district made up of municipalities that might still come out before some sort of other scenario. I will continue exploring various acquisition opportunities for water rights.

Staff

Chief Gallegos – The circus will be in town tomorrow. We have an agreement, a mutual agreement we are gearing up for the June 17th event that we are having here. My request is 2 officers from Alamosa PD, 2 officers from the sheriff's department and also state patrol they will also have a couple of extra people down here.

City Attorney

Gene Farish – The sign code committee is continuing to meet. I have the Bresnan Franchise here if you want to take a look at it, and let me know if you have any changes. Let me know by next week; if not, I'll mail it out.

Council

Councilor Spielman – At the last council meeting, we approved the agreement for the Golf Course lease and it's ready to be signed tonight.

Recess/Adjournment of Meeting

Meeting adjourned at 8:35 P.M.

Donald Schall, Mayor
Lucille Duran, City Clerk
Approved 6/15/06