

## **COUNCIL MINUTES**

### **August 17, 2006**

The Monte Vista City Council met in recessed session of their regular monthly meeting on Thursday, August 17, 2006 at 7:00 P.M. in the Council Room, 4 Chico Camino, Monte Vista.

#### **Call to Order**

Mayor Don Schall called the meeting to order and 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 Attorney Eugene Farish, 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 Wilson seconded, to approve the Consent Agenda as is. Consent Agenda consisted only of August 3, 2006 council minutes, and approval of expenditures. Motion carried unanimously.

#### **Proclamations, Communications, and Appointments**

Main Street Board Appointment. Councilor Medina made a motion, and Councilor Wilson seconded, to reappoint Jenna Ford as President to the Main Street Board of Directors. Motion carried unanimously.

Appointment to CML's 2006-2007 Policy Committee. Councilor Medina – I am on that and would like to continue. Councilor Spielman made a motion, and Councilor Duran seconded, for Councilor Medina to continue on the CML's policy committee. Motion carried unanimously.

#### **Citizens Comments/Special Presentations**

Valley Community Fund 211 Community Link. Ruby Favela-Garcia – The 211 system is for citizens to call one place in their community for help to give help for referral information. It also helps alleviate unnecessary calls to 911. It is intended to provide easy access to many types of non-emergency services and resources. Community Link serves the San Luis Valley and Southwest Colorado.

#### **Licenses/Liquor Renewals**

Alibi's Sports Bar and Grill – Councilor Medina made a motion, and Councilor Wilson seconded, to approve the Permit Application and Report of Changes for Alibi's Sports Bar and Grill. Motion carried unanimously.

## **Contracts/Agreements/Leases**

Request from Boys and Girls Club for reduced rental fee for Ski Hi Park on January 26<sup>th</sup> and 27<sup>th</sup>, 2007. Councilor Spielman made a motion, and Councilor Wilson seconded, to reduce the requested rental fee for the Boys and Girls Club. Motion carried unanimously. Council to have a work session on the Ski Hi Park Facility request for discount.

Request from Monte Vista Head Start to reduce rental fee for Ski Hi Park. Councilor Medina made a motion, and Councilor Spielman seconded, to reduce the requested rental fee for the Monte Vista Head Start. Motion carried unanimously. Ruth Medina from the Monte Vista Head Start asked council if they could also use Ski Hi Park as an emergency center. If anything should happen out at the Head Start Center, they would have somewhere to go. This will be put into their current lease agreement they have with us now.

Real Estate Contract renewal. Don Van Wormer –The current contract with Century 21 Realty is set to expire. I want to know if council wants to renew with Century 21 or go out to a local realtor. There has been no activity concerning the sale of city properties this past year. Councilor Medina made a motion and Councilor Spielman seconded, to contract with a local real estate company. Motion carried unanimously.

## **Reports**

City Manager – Remind council on work session on Thursday, September 7, 2006. In case you haven't noticed the Information Center is closed. The decision was made by DRG to close the facility. We are looking at working on resuming the ownership of that facility for a number of reasons. One is because the city made an offer and it was accepted from Lynn Fitzgerald out of Taos to be our Main Street Manager. She will be starting September 11. and we will house her at the information center. Conversely, we had preliminary discussions with the Chamber of Commerce and they also think it is a good idea to move there. Tomorrow morning I have a meeting with the representatives from the Veterans Center. They are again reopening the discussion for sewer lagoons property and their water rates. We are looking at how we can acquire the property to see if we can come to an agreement. The County Commissioners want to have a meeting with all the towns/cities in Rio Grande County on August 29 at 7:00 P.M. in Del Norte.

## **Staff**

Jim Gallegos – On Sunday we will have the Neighborhood Watch picnic at Chapman Park.

## **City Attorney**

Eugene Farish – The Zoning and Sign Code are about ready, and we will need to have a workshop on this. Introduce it on September 21, 2006, set a public hearing and then second reading on October 19, 2006. Workshop set for September 5 at 5:00 P.M.

**Council**

Mayor Schall – We have a handout from CML on Amendment 38. Eugene Farish – I am drawing up a resolution and will be getting it to you at the next meeting.

**Recess/Adjournment of Meeting**

Meeting adjourned at 8:25 P.M.

Donald Schall, Mayor  
Lucille Duran, City Clerk  
Approved 9/7/06