

**COUNCIL MINUTES
OCTOBER 5, 2006**

The Monte Vista City Council met for its regular monthly meeting on Thursday, October 5, 2006 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

Intern Alisha Jeter led in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Roll call

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

Others present were City Manager Don Van Wormer, Chief of Police Jim Gallegos, Intern Alisha Jeter, 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 as is. Consent Agenda consisted only of approval of September 21, 2006 Council Minutes, and approval of expenditures. Motion carried unanimously.

Commission Reports/Recommendations

Councilor Medina made a motion, and Councilor Wilson seconded, to accept the recommendation of the Planning and Zoning Commission to approve the Special Review Use for 903 Third Avenue. Motion carried unanimously.

Licenses/Liquor Renewals

Councilor Duran made a motion, and Councilor Wilson seconded, to approve the renewal of club liquor license for the Monte Vista Elks Lodge No. 2456. Motion carried unanimously.

Councilor Medina made a motion, and Councilor Duran seconded, to approve the renewal of hotel and restaurant liquor license for Hunan Chinese Restaurant. Motion carried unanimously.

Resolutions

City Manager Don Van Wormer read Resolution No. 14-2006 – A Resolution to charge a booking fee and a bond fee for persons arrested within the City of Monte Vista, Colorado. Councilor Wilson made a motion, and Councilor Medina seconded, to approve Resolution No. 14-2006 as read. Motion carried unanimously.

Reports

City Manager – CML is presenting a workshop on Strategic Leadership. There will be a meeting on October 30th to discuss the 2007 work plan with the FAA and our consultants. A final inspection for the airport project will also be done at that time. Gene Farish, Cori Garcia and I met with the new owners of the animal shelter to renegotiate and get a contract in place due to the fact that the old contract is with Doc Childress. Gene and I met with Silver Mountain Trash Company regarding their future plans for trash services in the valley and in Monte Vista. They are looking at it and making a determination whether it would be cost effective to try to enter the market. So, at this point and time, Gene will be working on a new contract to present to Silver Mountain Trash; and they will make the decision if they want to move forward. We received a visit from OSHA on Monday. It appears that a citizen did not agree with the City's work zone safety plan by our contractor on the 3rd, 4th and 5th Street projects. He talked to Randy and to the contractors. As a result, we are increasing the amount of signage and other things out there to keep the company in compliance with OSHA regulations. The contractor is going to receive a fine with the recommendation of OSHA that it will be reduced by 75%. Reminder - We have a budget workshop next Wednesday at 5:00 pm. I created a personnel handbook committee for the review of our personnel handbook; there are a number of items in there that are outdated. The goal is to have it done by the end of the year. The city is taking over the Information Center. The Main Street Program is moving there and the Chamber of Commerce has agreed to move over there for a price. In discussions with Mike Wisdom of DRG, they indicated that they, through the six County Commissioners, will keep making contributions to the Information Center to offset some of the costs. The rumor on the street is that John Vest is moving to Alamosa. One of my conversations with Ray Skeff in the past indicated that Ray would look for bringing in an appliance dealer. I am going to call Ray and talk to him.

Staff

Jim Gallegos – Octoberfest will be on October 21st. Moonlight Madness on October 26th from 4 to 8, Halloween parade at 6:00 P.M. Sgt. Aloia is at a sex offender's class in Grand Junction. Sgt. Oaks is at a class in Pueblo for Crime Scene Investigation. Officer Powell is in class in Pueblo for Haz Mat.

Alisha Jeter – We sent notices out for dangerous buildings ordering abatement of those properties to seven homeowners. We have heard back from two of them and they are working with us on plans to demolish. Update on Greenplay - The surveys went out. We had a little bit of a glitch on some of the addresses and occupants. The list that we had was outdated, so they had to resend some of the surveys.

Recess/Adjournment of Meeting

Meeting adjourned at 7:40 P.M.

Donald Schall, Mayor
Lucille Duran, City Clerk
Approved 10/19/06