

**COUNCIL MINUTES**  
**January 7, 2010**

The Monte Vista City Council met for its regular monthly meeting on Thursday, January 7, 2010 at 7:00 P.M. in the Council Room, 4 Chico Camino, Monte Vista, CO.

**Call to Order**

Mayor Pro tem Medina called the meeting to order.

**Pledge of Allegiance**

Councilor Rose Wilson led in the Pledge of Allegiance.

**Roll Call**

Members present Councilor Debbie Garcia, Councilor Rose Wilson, and Mayor ProTem Medina. Record to indicate a quorum was present.

Others present City Attorney Eugene Farish, City Manager Don Van Wormer, Acting Police Chief Rick Needham, Land Use Development Director Alisha Reis, City Clerk Lucille Duran, a member of the press, and guests.

Oath of Office for Newly Elected Officers.

Debbie Garcia, Rose Wilson, and Lynn Sandusky were sworn in as Councilors.

Art Medina sworn in as Mayor.

Election of Mayor Pro Tem – Councilor Garcia made a motion, and Councilor Sandusky seconded, to elect Councilor Wilson for Mayor Pro tem. Motion carried unanimously.

**Approval of Consent Agenda**

Councilor Garcia made a motion, and Councilor Wilson seconded, to approve the Consent Agenda as submitted. Consent Agenda consisted only of Approval of December 17, 2009 Council Minutes, and Approval of Expenditures. Motion carried unanimously.

**Proclamation, Communications, and Appointments**

Councilor Wilson made a motion, and Councilor Sandusky seconded, to appoint Edward Van Damme to the Planning and Zoning Commission. Motion carried unanimously.

Councilor Garcia made a motion, and Councilor Wilson seconded, to appoint Jay Almquist to the Board of Adjustments. Motion carried unanimously.

Councilor Appointments to Various Boards.

Board of Adjustment – Mayor Medina

Planning and Zoning Commission- Councilor Garcia

Urban Renewal Authority – Councilor Wilson

Monte Vista Municipal Airport Advisory Board – Councilor Wilson

Action 22 – Mayor Medina

Monte Vista Golf Course – Councilor Sandusky

Main Street Board of Directors – Councilor Garcia

### **Citizen Comments/Special Presentations**

Jim Gallegos was presented a plaque from the City for his years of service.

### **Licenses/Liquor Renewals**

Mountain View Restaurant tabled – renewal application incomplete.

Councilor Wilson made a motion, and Councilor Garcia seconded, to approve the Special Events Permit Application for the Monte Vista Chamber of Commerce to be held on February 9, February 10, February 11, and February 12, 2010. Motion carried unanimously.

### **Ordinances**

Eugene Farish read Ordinance No. 817 on second reading – An Ordinance Amending Section 6-2-30 of the Monte Vista Municipal Code. Councilor Garcia made a motion, and Councilor Sandusky seconded, to approve Ordinance No. 817. Motion carried unanimously.

Eugene Farish read Ordinance No. 818 on first reading – An Ordinance Amending Ordinance No. 811 (An Ordinance adopting the 2009 Model Traffic Code (MTC) for the City of Monte Vista. Councilor Garcia made a motion, and Councilor Wilson seconded, to approve Ordinance No. 818. Motion carried unanimously.

### **Contracts/Agreements/Leases**

Approval of proposal to repair the south wall at Ski Hi Recreational Complex. Alisha – the general contractor estimated the repairs at \$25,000 which city council approved a contract addendum in August however after demolition of the grandstands further inspection and final engineering showed a larger problem than first anticipated. The repairs will now cost \$38,308 from a proposal submitted by subcontractor James Pacheco. Repairs are scheduled to begin January 11<sup>th</sup> with all interior repairs to be completed by the Feb. 8<sup>th</sup> potato grain conference. Exterior repairs will be done in warmer weather in April and May. Councilor Wilson made a motion, and Councilor Garcia seconded, to approve the proposal from James Pacheco to repair the south wall at a cost of \$38,308. Motion carried unanimously.

Don Van Wormer – I have a resume from a Brad Miller that I would like to ask Council to bring on board to help us with projects. Councilor Wilson made a motion, and Councilor Garcia seconded, to approve the hiring of Brad Miller. Motion carried unanimously.

Councilor Wilson made a motion, and Councilor Sandusky seconded, to approve contracts/agreements/leases for the Monte Vista Head Start, Art Jones Rocky Mountain Ag., Peter and Leah Clark, Monte Vista Community Ambulance Service, Inc., Carnegie Public Library, Waste Management of Colorado, Inc., and Valley Wide Health Services. Motion carried unanimously.

Councilor Garcia made a motion, and Councilor Wilson seconded, to approve the new contract between the City of Monte Vista and Upper Rio Grande Animal Society, LLC. Motion carried unanimously.

### **Reports**

City Manager – I received a memo from Senator Bennett I have been asked to participate in putting Colorado to work jobs forum on January 15<sup>th</sup> in Denver. You have a memo regarding the Sherman Avenue wastewater project. We were recently notified that we will receive \$300,000 for the project to be granted through the EPA. We are required to have a cash match of \$135,000. We have to do an environmental assessment which is required. We can apply for more grant money from DOLA. Update on Valley Wide I received an email from Connie Monter they have completed the design. Will be meeting with DOLA and Valley Wide in early February. Will have representatives here on the 12<sup>th</sup> for a year end review of the Main Street Program. The City of Monte Vista will be hosting their next conference. We are advertising for City Council Vacancy and the 1% Committee. We are having ongoing discussions with the railroad on the potential purchase of the parks that we lease. On Mr. Shank's sale of his property the railroad is concerned some kind of retail outlet going in there.

**Staff**

Alisha Reis – you have a memo in your packet on the transportation funding.

**City Attorney**

Keep on eye on the medical marijuana debate a lot of developments on it. We did the right thing putting a moratorium in place before any applications came in. On going dialogues on the water acquisitions.

Don Van Wormer – one more thing the memorial for Don Schall has been set for January 30, 2010 at 2:00 P.M. at the Methodist Church.

**Executive Session**

Councilor Wilson made a motion, and Councilor Sandusky seconded, to go into executive session for a conference with the City attorney for the purpose of receiving legal advice on specific legal questions under C.R.S. Section 24-6-402 (4) (b); 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 14-6-402 (4) (e); for discussion of a personnel matter under C.R.S. Section 24-6-402 (2) (f) and not involving any specific employees who have requested discussion of the matter in open session; any member of this body or any elected official; the appointment of any person to fill an office of this body or of an elected official; or personnel policies that do not require the discussion of matters personal to particular employees; Motion carried unanimously.

**Recess & Adjournment of Meeting**

Meeting adjourned at 8:20 P.M.

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Mayor

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City Clerk

