

<b>Members</b>	<b>Present</b>	<b>Absent</b>	<b>Excused</b>
Diane Lothamer, Chair	X		
Jim Seitz	X		
Bob Beda	X		
Harvey Harriman	X		
Delaney Keating			X
Martin Froehlich			X
Councilor Ellen Harriman	X		

**Others Present:** Director Steve Westbay and Planning Technician Pam Cunningham

**Call to Order at 7:00 p.m. by Chair Diane Lothamer.**

**Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.**

**Consideration of the February 25, 2009 Meeting Minutes.**

Commissioner Seitz moved to approve the February 25, 2009 meeting minutes as presented.  
Commissioner Beda seconded the motion.

Roll Call Yes: Diane, Ellen, Harvey, Bob, Jim  
Roll Call No:  
Roll Call Abstain:  
Motion Carried

**Unscheduled Citizens.** There were no unscheduled citizens.

**Council Update.**

Councilor Ellen Harriman updated the Commission on the March 24, 2009 meeting. The City Council:

- heard a report from the Gunnison-Crested Butte Tourism Association, which was fairly favorable;
- approved a reallocation of funds that had been earmarked for playground equipment at Legion Park to the pool slide;
- set a public hearing for a liquor license for the PowerStop Tavern;
- considered the Aquatics Facility Solar Contract;
- approved the lease purchase of a tandem dump truck;
- set a special session for April 7<sup>th</sup> for the second reading on a ballot question;
- sent a letter to the Colorado Wildlife Commission regarding the Big Game Draw season;

- passed a resolution regarding a template for Metropolitan District Service Plans;
- agreed to two ballot issues; one regards the transfer of land to the County for the section of Taylor River Road by the Gunnison Mountain Park, which will allow the road to be straightened and will provide parking on the river side of the road to allow better access to the river. The second issue relates to easements between VanTuyl Ranch and Riverwalk Estates to complete the connection for the Bridge to Bridge Trail. The City has an agreement with Mrs. Wenman to trade land for the easement.
- signed an agreement for the GOCO grant for the *VanTuyl Ranch Master Plan*;
- adopted a “Red Flag” policy that is required by the federal government in relation to public utilities and identity theft;
- passed Metropolitan District Formation within the City of Gunnison; and,
- changed language in the Sales Tax Code, which will be on the ballot and increased the amount allocated for streets;

Also at the meeting:

- Marlene Crosby, Director of Public Works for the County, requested verbal approval to put a lift station on City property at Cranor Hill. The lift station will allow for a better arrangement for the North Valley Sewer.
- Heard a report that RTA ran at capacity this winter;
- Dan Ampietro gave a report on Parks and Recreation. He reported there has been greater usage at the ice facility than was anticipated. The ice rink will close on April 4<sup>th</sup>. He also reported that the pool deck has been poured. As soon as the stucco is installed they will fill the pool. Lifesaving classes will begin in May, the pool will be open in June, and they have hired a manager for the facility. Commissioner Seitz asked if the ice rink manager's job is year-round. Director Westbay replied that it is; during the off-season the position works on special events. Councilor Harriman added that there are already many other programs and organizations that have signed up to use the facility.

**Commissioner Comments:**

Commissioner Harvey Harriman moved to excuse Commissioner Delaney Keating.

Commissioner Bob Beda seconded the motion.

Roll Call Yes: Jim, Diane, Ellen, Bob and Harvey

Roll Call No:

Roll Call Abstain:

Motion Carried

**Staff update:** Director Westbay gave a brief overview of the materials for the March 28<sup>th</sup> work session. He reported that staff has been working to get the annexation application document in final form. It will be distributed to the Commissioners when it is completed.

He also reported that:

- The *VanTuyl Ranch Master Plan* GOCO Grant Contract is ready to mail. Also, RFP's for the consultants to the project have been published. There will be opportunities for public input to the project and the college will be participating in the environmental assessment.
- Andie is out of the office until Tuesday.
- The Department of Local Affairs (DOLA) has partnered with the City on a Downtown Revitalization program. On April 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> a panel of consultants from DOLA will do a workshop for 1 ½ days that will involve staff discussions and input from business owners on Main Street and Tomichi Avenue as well as citizens. The emphasis will be on parking issues and streetscape design.
- Ken Coleman's father passed away.

**Adjourn.**

Chair Diane Lothamer adjourned the meeting into a work session at approximately 7:16p.m.

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Diane Lothamer, Chair

Attest:

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Pam Cunningham, Secretary