

1 STATE OF COLORADO
2 COUNTY OF HUERFANO
3 CITY OF WALSENBURG
4 City Council Regular Session Meeting
5 January 3rd, 2012 6:00 p.m.
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7 Mayor Quintana called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. The Pledge of
8 Allegiance was recited. Council members present were: Rick Jennings, Silvana Lind,
9 Gary Sporcich, Nick Vigil, David Mockmore, Erin Jerant, Craig Lessar, James Moore
10 and Mayor Quintana. Others present included City Attorney Daniel Hyatt, Acting
11 Administrator Beth Neece, Finance Director Dave Johnston, and City Clerk Wanda Britt.
12 Treasurer Jacque Sikes was absent.
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14 **APPROVAL OF AGENDA**

15 Council member Jerant moved to approve the first half of the agenda seconded by
16 Council member Moore and Sporcich. Passed on a roll call vote of 9-0.
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18 **COMMENTS BY MAYOR**

19 Mayor Quintana thanked the Council for giving him the opportunity to run the
20 City the way he thought it should be run and also the citizens of Walsenburg for the
21 opportunity to be Mayor and to run the City. He stated he has no regrets and feels they
22 have made progress and hopes the incoming Mayor will do the same.
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24 **APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

25 Mayor Pro Tem Lessar moved to approve the December 20th, 2011 Regular
26 Council meeting minutes, seconded by Council member Jerant. Passed on a roll call vote
27 of 9-0.
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29 **Committee Reports**

30 None
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32 **Citizens Forum**

33 No Citizens Report.
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35 **Administrator's Report-**

36 Acting Administrator Beth Neece stated there have been some concerns about the
37 Housing Authority Board and how long the appointments are for. In doing further
38 research, so everyone is clear, all terms end on June 30. At the last meeting Mrs. Lave
39 was appointed to fill the seat vacated by Paul Duran, so her appointment will be for five
40 years starting (last) July 1, 2011, and she will actually serve a 4 ½ year term ending on
41 June 30, 2015. Other seats will come open in July of 2012, then in July 2013, and July
42 2014, as a point of clarification.
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44 Acting Administrator Beth Neece stated there was a Police-officer involved
45 accident, on Friday night. He had red lights and siren operating when he was struck, and
46 it was a low speed impact, so there is not a lot of damage to the car. The State Patrol was
47 called on site to investigate. As soon as the police report is back, we will file an

48 insurance claim.

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50 Acting Administrator Beth Neece requested direction from Council regarding
51 Finance and Utility Committee meetings on Martin Luther King Day, a City holiday that
52 lands a day before the next Council meeting. Also requested was the need for authorized
53 signatures for the Bank Accounts, so the appropriate paperwork can be completed.
54 Mayor Quintana asked if there were any questions. Hearing none, Council moved on to
55 the Police Report. He asked Acting Administrator Beth Neece if there would be a Police
56 Report. Acting Administrator Beth Neece stated not at this time since Lt. Liebchen had
57 not yet arrived and Chief Chamberlain has been on vacation.

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59 Council member Jerant asked Acting Administrator Beth Neece if she would like
60 to say anything about the grant-status report received by Council. Acting Administrator
61 Beth Neece stated the City currently has four grants, two that are ready to close out, one
62 of which is the Intern Grant, and the Enterprise Zone grant for the Wildwaters brochures.
63 They are in the final stages to be closed out, all that is needed is an invoice and to do the
64 final proof. On the Intern Grant we are going back through the payroll to see if we can
65 not glean some more on that one. The State Historical Assessment is an assessment on
66 the Depot, and it will be complete with some cost estimates on HVAC system, it will give
67 the City a good idea on what needs to be done with that building. The last of the grants is
68 a transportation enhancement grant which has been assigned to Rick Dunn, the Building
69 Inspector. Due to the holidays and conflicting schedules meetings to discuss the grant
70 have not yet occurred. She stated the report will be updated regularly from now on as
71 things get crossed off and grants get added. Council member Jerant stated in the latest
72 copy of CML the GOCO grants cycle is starting, and March 2nd is the deadline. Acting
73 Administrator Beth Neece asked if anyone had anything they would like to apply for.
74 Mayor Quintana stated you will have to keep in mind that you are trying to decrease your
75 grants to make the ones you have more favorable. Acting Administrator Beth Neece
76 stated the GOCO grants are not a 1 to 1 match; she would have to go back and check, she
77 thought they were a 24% match. They are paid for by Lottery funds and have very
78 specific things they can be used for. Council member Jerant asked if the Youth Advisory
79 Committee could be tied with them. Acting Administrator Beth Neece stated no they
80 have to be for specific purposes. They are usually for fixed assets items, and you have to
81 prove and guarantee that you will maintain these things. Acting Administrator Beth
82 Neece stated that administration would be open to writing a GOCO grant.

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84 **UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

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None

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87 **Adjournment**

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City Council meeting adjourned at 6:25 p.m.

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92 CITY OF WALSENBURG

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Bruce Quintana,
Mayor

Wanda A. Britt,
City Clerk

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Mayor Quintana stated this portion of the meeting has been adjourned and we will have the swearing in of the new Mayor and City Council.

Mayor Pro Tem Lessar stated it is his honor tonight to present our 2010-2011 elected Mayor Bruce Quintana and 2010-2011 Ward 3 Council member David Mockmore with an award for service. Under Mayor Quintana leadership and with the help of council and Mockmore this Council has overcome many obstacles as a team, which Mayor Quintana has strived for. Some of the accomplishments are the seating of several new members to the Housing Authority, the soon completion of the Waste Water Treatment Plant, the Martin dam project, the assistance with bringing new business’s into our community, one being the First Choice Market. Bringing the Council together to construct an incentive program to further old business and new, and let’s not forget the shovel ready project at the Gateway. While seated on Council Mr. Mockmore have had his hands full with serving on the COG Board, and chairing the Walsenburg Wild Waters into a profitable run this season. He also gave a special “Thank You” to City Treasurer Jacque Sikes, who went above and beyond her duties, who played a critical role in the City’s finances beside Finance Director Dave Johnston. So at this time I would have an honorable applause for parties who are departing.

Mayor Quintana and Council member Mockmore thanked the crowd.

Judge Appel administered the Oath of Office to City Clerk Wanda A. Britt.

Judge Appel administered the Oath of Office to new Council member James Baca, and re-elected Council members Rick Jennings, Alessandra “Silvana” Lind, Gary Sporcich, and Nick Vigil.

Judge Appel at this time thanked Mayor Quintana and City Council for the courtesy extended to the State Courts for the use of City facilities this past year.

Judge Appel administered the Oath of Office to new Mayor Larry Patrick.

Five minute break taken.

New Council Convenes

Mayor Larry Patrick called meeting to order at 6:30 p.m., and wanted it be known that his youngest son bought him a Mr. Mayor gavel. Council members present were:

141 Rick Jennings, Silvana Lind, Gary Sporcich, Nick Vigil, Jim Baca, Erin Jerant, Craig
142 Lessar, James Moore and Mayor Patrick. Others present included City Attorney Daniel
143 Hyatt, Acting Administrator Beth Neece, Finance Director Dave Johnston, and City Clerk
144 Wanda Britt. Treasurer Jacque Sikes was absent.

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146 **Police Report –**

147 Lt. Liebchen stated Chief Chamberlain couldn't be here today. He stated there
148 was a woman from Trinidad who passed a couple of bad checks in Walsenburg, prior she
149 had written quite a few in Trinidad on the same closed account, the city might be seeing
150 more bad checks written by this woman. He reminded the public if they need an officer
151 to respond to an incident or occurrence the number they need to call is 738-1044, which
152 is the County Dispatch center. If you have information on anything contact them 24
153 hours a day at the dispatch center at the 738-1044 number. The community needs to get
154 out of the habit of calling the 738-1056 number, there might not be an answer or if a
155 message is left a response that day. Starting last month the County dispatch center started
156 handling calls, called Computer Aided Dispatch, or more commonly know as CAD. It is
157 a more precise way to track their activity. They will be able to print out a report on their
158 activity in addition to the statistics on a monthly basis. It will track each call they receive.

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160 **Appointment of City Attorney**

161 Council member Jerant moved to appoint Daniel Hyatt, seconded by Council
162 member Baca. Passed on a roll call vote of 9-0. Mayor Patrick congratulated Mr. Hyatt
163 on his appointment.

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165 **Appointment of Municipal Judge**

166 Mayor Pro Tem Lessar moved to appoint Cathy Mullens as Municipal Judge,
167 seconded by Council member Jerant. Passed on a roll call vote of 9-0. Mayor Patrick
168 would like to thank Judge Lusero for his service to the City of Walsenburg for the past
169 number of years.

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171 **Appointment of City Treasurer**

172 Acting Administrator Beth Neece stated the City did advertise for the position of
173 City Treasurer, although not required by statute, the closing date and time was at noon
174 December 30th, 2011 and no response had been received. At 2:20 p.m. in the afternoon
175 the City received a letter from Mr. Mockmore requesting to fill the vacancy for City
176 Treasurer. Mayor Patrick stated we are not required to advertise in the first place, but the
177 City did so to see who would come about, to approve if Council so wished to or Council
178 could advertise more. Council member Jerant moved to appoint David Mockmore as
179 City Treasurer, no second. City Attorney Dan Hyatt stated there was no requirement for
180 a second when a nomination is made. A vote was taken, appointment failed 2-7. The
181 "yes" votes from Council member Jerant and Mayor Patrick. The "no" votes from
182 Council members Jennings, Lind, Sporcich, Vigil, Baca, Lessar, and Moore. Council
183 member Vigil stated even though we are not required to advertise and because the letter
184 of intent came in late, the City should re-advertise for the position. Council member
185 Baca, Lessar and Jennings concur with Council member Vigil. Mayor Pro Tem Lessar
186 made a motion to re-advertise for the position of City Treasurer and to include Mr.

187 Mockmore's letter, seconded by Council member Vigil and Lind. Passed on a roll call
188 vote of 8-1. The "yes" votes from Council members Jennings, Lind, Sporcich, Vigil,
189 Baca, Lessar, Moore, and Mayor Patrick. The "no" vote from Council member Jerant.
190 Acting Administrator Beth Neece asked when Council would like the letters of intent, if
191 we started to advertise this week and next, with the deadline to be January 13th, 2012 at
192 noon, it would give 2 weeks, and we could have it ready for the next Council meeting.
193 All of Council agreed.

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195 **Appointment of Mayor Pro Tem**

196 Mayor Patrick stated he would like to have Council member James Moore
197 considered as the Mayor Pro Tem for the City of Walsenburg. City Attorney Dan Hyatt
198 stated there is no need for a motion, any one of the Council members, including the
199 Mayor could nominate for Mayor Pro Tem. Council member Jerant nominated James
200 Moore. Council member Vigil nominated Craig Lessar. Mayor Patrick asked if there
201 were any more nominations. Council member Jennings nominated Craig Lessar. Mayor
202 Patrick closed the nomination for a vote.

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204 Nomination of James Moore for Mayor Pro Tem- tied 4-4, the "yes" votes from
205 Council member Lind, Jerant, Moore, and Mayor Patrick. The "no" votes from Council
206 members Jennings, Sporcich, Vigil, and Baca. Craig Lessar abstained from the vote.
207 City Attorney Dan Hyatt stated a tie vote means the nomination failed and to proceed
208 with the next nomination.

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210 Nomination of Craig Lessar for Mayor Pro Tem- Passed on a roll call vote of 6-2.
211 The "yes" votes from Council members Jennings, Sporcich, Vigil, Baca, Jerant, and
212 Moore. The "no" votes from Council member Lind and Mayor Patrick. Craig Lessar
213 abstained from vote.

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215 **Council Appointment of Planning and Zoning**

216 Mayor Patrick stated he will become a member of the Planning and Zoning and
217 can appoint 1 member from Council, and Council can nominate 1 member from Council
218 to sit on the Board. City Attorney Dan Hyatt confirmed. Mayor Patrick stated he
219 nominated **Rick Jennings** to the Planning and Zoning Board. Council member Vigil
220 nominated **Gary Sporcich**, seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Lessar. Passed on a roll call
221 vote of 9-0.

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223 **Planning and Zoning Appointment**

224 Acting Administrator Beth Neece stated there is an open seat on the Board
225 because Charles Bryant resigned. The Board will have a meeting in January and would
226 like to have a full commission when they do the election of officers. There are two letters
227 of intent from Stephen Savageau and David Roesch. Each nominee gave a brief history
228 on himself and reasons why he would like to be on the board. City Attorney Dan Hyatt
229 stated the question was asked if there was a resident requirement as far as time in the city,
230 he checked the statue and there was not. Council member Jerant nominated David
231 Roesch. Council member Moore nominated Stephen Savageau. Mayor Patrick stated
232 David Roesch was nominated first, so Council would vote on that nomination first.

233 **David Roesch – nomination failed on a roll call vote of 3-6.**
234 **Stephen Savageau- nomination passed on a roll call vote of 6-3.**

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Mayor Patrick congratulated Mr. Savageau on his appointment. He thanked Mr. Roesch for his interest and hoped if any other positions became available he would apply again.

240 **Appointment to Colorado Municipal League Legislative Committee**

241 Mayor Patrick stated that is a position Council member Lind has chaired, and has
242 done a good job. Council member Vigil nominated Council member Lind. Mayor
243 Patrick asked if there were any other nominations. No response. Passed on a roll call
244 vote of 8-0, with Council member Lind abstaining from the vote.
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246 **Appointment and ratification of Committee Chairs**

247 Mayor Patrick called for nominations to chair the Finance Committee, Utility
248 Committee, and Parks and Recreation Committee.
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250 Mayor Pro Tem Lessar nominated Council member **Erin Jerant** for chairman on
251 the **Utility Committee**, seconded by Council member Vigil. Mayor Patrick asked for a
252 roll call vote. City Attorney Dan Hyatt stated no vote was needed for a nomination.
253 Mayor Patrick congratulated Council member Jerant on her nomination by affirmation.
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255 Mayor Patrick nominated Council member James Moore for Finance Committee
256 chair. Council member Jennings nominated Mayor Pro Tem Craig Lessar for Finance
257 Committee chair. Mayor Patrick asked if there were more nominations. There being
258 none, Mayor Pro Tem Lessar stated he would give it to Council member Moore, and
259 would withdraw his nomination. Mayor Patrick stated with affirmation for **Council**
260 **member Moore for Finance Committee chair.**

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Mayor Patrick asked if there were any nominations for Parks and Recreation, with no response he stated Council member Baca had an interest in the Parks and Recreation Committee, all of Council nominated Council member Baca for Parks and Recreation chair. Mayor Patrick asked if there were any other nominations, none were heard, with affirmation Mayor Patrick appoints **Council member James Baca for Parks and Recreation chair.**

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269 **City Hall Cleaning Contract**

270 Council member Jerant moved to approve the cleaning bid for 2012 from Rebecca
271 Salazar, seconded by Council member Jennings. Passed on a roll call vote of 9-0.
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273 **Newspaper of Record**

274 City Attorney Dan Hyatt stated Mayor Patrick would have to turn the meeting
275 over to Mayor Pro Tem Lessar because the Mayor is employed by one of the respondents.
276 Mayor Pro Tem Lessar takes chair. Council member Jerant stated Council should discuss
277 bids. Finance Director Dave Johnston stated from the comparison sheet Council can see
278 the cost difference between the two papers in the year 2011 and the average published

279 lines. Council member Moore calculated the difference in cost between the two papers,
280 one 14 cents versus 25 cents, the Signature rate is 75% higher than Huerfano Journal.
281 Council member Jerant stated since the City is cash strapped, it makes more sense to save
282 the City money and go with the lower bid. Council member Moore stated as
283 representative to the tax payers they should get the best price. Council member Jerant
284 stated it is their fiscal responsibility to accept the lowest bid. Council member Moore
285 moved to approve the lowest bid at 14 cents a line from the Huerfano World Journal,
286 seconded by Council member Lind. Passed on a roll call vote of 8-0. Mayor Patrick
287 abstained from the vote. Mayor Pro Tem Lessar turned the meeting back over to Mayor
288 Patrick.

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290 **Resolution 2012 R-1-**
291 **A RESOLUTION ESTABLISHING POSTING LOCATIONS FOR PUBLIC**
292 **MEETINGS, PUBLIC HEARINGS, AND ORDINANCES AND THE SCHEDULE**
293 **OF REGULAR PUBLIC MEETINGS-** Council member Jerant moved to approve with
294 the change of address on 1c with the correct address of the Library , 415 Walsen,
295 seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Lessar. Passed on a roll call vote of 9-0.

296 RESOLUTION No. R 2012-R1

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298 A RESOLUTION ESTABLISHING POSTING LOCATIONS FOR PUBLIC MEETINGS, PUBLIC
299 HEARINGS, AND ORDINANCES AND THE SCHEDULE OF RUGULAR PUBLIC MEETINGS

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301 **WHEREAS**, the Open Meeting law (The Sunshine Law) was enacted by the Colorado State
302 Legislature on April 29th, 1991, and this law declares that the formation of public policy is public business
303 and may not be conducted in secret; and

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305 **WHEREAS**, the City Council has determined that it is in the best interest of the citizens of the
306 City of Walsenburg to establish a schedule of regular city council meetings and to post a listing of public
307 meetings to occur during each month; and

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309 **WHEREAS**, the Sunshine Law also stipulates that the public place or places for posting such
310 notices shall be designated annually; and

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312 **WHEREAS**, the city council desires to set its regular city council meetings during 2012.

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314 **NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF**
315 **WALSENBURG AS FOLLOWS.**

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317 1. The 2012 official posting locations to give notice of public meetings, public hearings, and
318 ordinances passed in the City shall be as follows:
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320 a. Main entrance to City Hall, 525 W. Albert Avenue, Walsenburg
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322 b. Bulletin board at County clerk and Recorder office, Courthouse, Walsenburg
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324 c. Bulletin board at Spanish Peaks Library, 415 Walsen, Walsenburg
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326 2. Regular city council meetings during 2012 shall be held as follows:
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328 a. Each first and third Tuesday of each month at the city administration
329 Building, 525 S. Albert Avenue, Walsenburg, Colorado commencing at 6:00 p.m.
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RESOLVED AND PASSED THIS 3rd DAY OF JANUARY, 2012

CITY OF WALSENBURG, COLORADO

Larry Patrick, Mayor

ATTEST:

Wanda A. Britt, City Clerk

MAYOR’S CLOSING COMMENTS

Mayor Patrick stated it has been said an optimist invented the airplane and a pessimist invented the parachute, there are always plenty of pessimistic people around to provide a safety cushion. But it is the optimist that goes out and blazes new trails and gets things done. I am a diehard optimist and I truly believe in the bright future that Walsenburg can have. I don’t believe in can’t, I buried it years ago in my life. There is a big difference between can’t and won’t. Saying you can’t do something because you don’t have this or that to me is an excuse, I look at the same statement to say that there is simply an obstacle that needs ideas to be overcome. Local community leaders did not have the money to convert the old high school into a top notch library, when it began, but they worked hard and they got it done. The hospital and the State Veteran’s Home leaders did not have all the money available when they decided the veteran’s home needed an update recently, but they succeeded because they had vision. The Walsenburg school’s did not have the money for a Sports Complex when the idea came about, but the leaders made it happen, and today we have a top notch facility. The County Commissioners and the community foundation are trying to bring economic development forth to provide jobs in Huerfano County, the schools, the hospital, the Commissioners, the community foundation and other community leaders are trying to make a positive difference. The City of Walsenburg should be front and center in all of this activity, we have the land, we have the water, the roads, and the railroads, and we have the opportunity to bring in more business, more jobs and more sales tax revenue to help all our businesses and citizens to prosper even in this economy. I want this City Council to give our citizens reasons to believe why they can, instead of excuses for why they can’t. To improve the outlook of all our citizens this City Council can be a shining example of what can be done to make a better life, to show a better path, to give hope to those who want it. We have the ability to get out of our comfort zones and to make things happen. The U.S. did not have the technical ability to send a man to the moon when John F. Kennedy, the president, challenged this nation to accomplish this goal, before the end of the 1960’s. Leaders went to work and people made it happen. Lee Iacocca didn’t have all the answers when he took over the Chrysler Corporation in the 1970’s but he saved the Company, by getting things done in ways that others had never thought of before. There are countless examples of leaders making things happen when others said it can’t be done. I believe this City Council has the leadership, the courage and dedication to make positive things happen for Walsenburg. This Walsenburg City Council has the opportunity to make the biggest strides this city has seen in many decades. We can become known as the Council that could. Previous City Councils have put the wheels in

379 motion. Some citizens have provided the fuel to keep moving. But this City Council is
380 the one to determine if we move forward to a brighter future or remain stagnant. I ask
381 each and every City Council member to join me in taking an optimistic approach to our
382 future. Don't worry there will always be plenty of pessimist around to keep us in
383 balance. I hope that the administration, the staff, and the citizens of Walsenburg, will
384 help us become the City Council that could. Thank you.

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386 **CITY COUNCIL CLOSING COMMENTS**

387 Council member Jerant asked if Finance Director Dave Johnston needed some
388 action on the cash balances report, or was it for the next meeting. Finance Director Dave
389 Johnston stated it was for informational purposes only.

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391 Council member Moore welcomed Mayor Patrick and Council member Baca and
392 thank them.

393 Council member Baca thanked the citizens of Walsenburg for letting him be in
394 this position again.

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396 Mayor Patrick stated Council does have an executive session to go into.

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398 **Executive Session**

399 Council member Jerant made motion seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Lessar to enter into
400 Executive Session for discussion of a personnel matter under C.R.S. Section 24-6-
401 402(4)(b) and not involving: any specific employees who have requested discussion of
402 the matter in open session; any member of the City council or any elected official; the
403 appointment of any person to fill an office of the City Council or of an elected official; or
404 personnel policies that do not require the discussion of matters personal to particular
405 employees; Passed on a roll call vote of 9-0. The time was 7:11 p. m. and the recorder
406 was turned off.

407 Following the Executive Session *Mayor Patrick noted that if any person who*
408 *participated in the Executive Session believes that any substantial discussion of any*
409 *matter not included in the motion to enter into Executive Session occurred during the*
410 *Executive Session, or that any improper action occurred during the Executive Session in*
411 *violation of the Open Meeting Law, and asked, that statements concerning such be made*
412 *at this time. There being one, Council member Jerant stated let it be known that Mayor*
413 *Pro Tem Lessar left the room for part of the executive meeting, and the Regular Session*
414 *continued. The time was 8:09 p.m.*

415 At the end of the Executive Session, the tape was given to Attorney Dan Hyatt.

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417 Council member Jerant wanted to set the meetings dates. Acting Administrator stated to
418 consider that this month is a 5-Tuesday month. Council member Jerant stated it might
419 behoove Council to wait until February 6th meeting. Acting Administrator Beth Neece
420 stated it is always a struggle to get the financials done by the 17th, if Council wanted to do
421 January's financials on February 6th meeting they could do that, otherwise it is entirely up
422 to Council. Council decided to have the committee meetings start on February 6th.

423 Council member Jerant and Council member Sporcich asked if Council was still going to
424 have Work Sessions prior to the meetings. Council thought it would be beneficial to have

425 the Work Sessions prior to the regular Council meetings. Acting Administrator Beth
426 Neece stated Council will still have the work session prior to the January 17th meeting at
427 5:30 p.m. Council member Jerant asked if Council wanted to start at 5:00 p.m. Council
428 agreed. Council member Lind asked when the deadline for the letters of intent for the
429 City Treasurer would be. Acting Administrator Beth Neece stated it would be Friday,
430 January 13th at noon. Mr. Orr will publish it in the newspaper. Council member Jerant
431 asked why it would only be in the Huerfano Journal if it is not a legal notice. Council
432 member Moore asked why the City would want to pay double for something, that's
433 where the people would look in the City. Council member Baca stated he knows of
434 citizens who only read one of the papers. Acting Administrator Beth Neece stated this is
435 the reason why they put in the lower bid, part of the big expense the City has is because
436 we published some of the ordinances in both papers. She stated it is very expensive for
437 the City to publish in both papers, and although the legal limit is .44 cents a line, the
438 World Journal is going to publish at .14 cents per line, because they are the official
439 newspaper of record and citizens wanting City of Walsenburg official records need to
440 buy that paper. Council member Moore stated persons could go to the Library to look at
441 the paper. Acting Administrator Beth Neece stated that is why the City puts it out to bid.

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443 Council member Sporcich stated the City could do their own advertising on a face
444 book page, it would be free advertisement. Council member Vigil asked if the City's
445 web site had been updated. Acting Administrator Beth Neece stated City Clerk Wanda
446 Britt had been putting the agendas and the minutes. Council member Jerant stated the
447 pictures are still blank, so we are not really updating it. Council member Moore asked if
448 the City Clerk Wanda Britt could update it. Acting Administrator Beth Neece stated she
449 knew who could update it; she will get Mr. Byland to take pictures and update it.

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451 Council member Vigil asked City Attorney Dan Hyatt, if he could present "Hyatt
452 101". City Attorney Dan Hyatt stated he would like it at a central location. Acting
453 Administrator Beth Neece stated it previously was held in Pueblo. The City has to post it
454 as a public meeting, and it has to be an open meeting. City Attorney Dan Hyatt stated it
455 would be best to do it sooner than later. Acting Administrator Beth Neece stated it was
456 held at the Wingate in previous years, she would try to reserve it from 10-3 p.m. and
457 bring lunch in. Council asked Acting Administrator Beth Neece to include Finance
458 Director Dave Johnston, City Clerk Wanda Britt, and the City Treasurer.

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460 Acting Administrator Beth Neece asked without voting who would Council like
461 on the bank signatures, Mayor Patrick stated himself, Finance Committee chair James
462 Moore, Finance Director Dave Johnston, Mayor Pro Tem Craig Lessar.

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464 Council member Baca stated he would like to have a Parks and Recreation
465 meeting on January 30th, 2012 at 5:30 p.m. Council member Jennings asked Acting
466 Administrator Beth Neece what happened to the flyers for the pool. She stated that is the
467 enterprise zone grant and they are at the printers, they are not quite finalized yet, and
468 there are 7,000 flyers. Brian Orr did a lot of the work for her because he had the
469 photographs, and because they are his kids, he sold them to the City. Council member
470 Jerant asked why he sold them to the City. Acting Administrator Beth Neece stated it

471 was for the flyers, she stated for \$150.00 he redesigned these flyers, including the cost of
472 the pictures. Council member Jerant asked why Council didn't have to vote on it, wasn't
473 it an expenditure. Acting Administrator Beth Neece stated they had to get them done or
474 the City would have lost the money, she stated she had the proof if Council would like to
475 see them. Council member Moore asked what the match on the grant was. Acting
476 Administrator Beth Neece stated it was a 1 to 1 match; the grant was for \$500.00.

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478 **Adjournment**

479 City Council meeting adjourned at 9:30 p.m.

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481 CITY OF WALSENBURG

ATTEST:

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485 Mayor

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