

**MONUMENT TOWN COUNCIL
MEETING MINUTES**

Monday, March 2, 2026 - 6:30 PM

Monument Town Hall - 645 Beacon Lite Rd., Monument CO 80132
Hybrid Meeting - Remote Participation Via Teams

1. Call to Order, Pledge of Allegiance, Roll Call

Mayor Mitch LaKind called the regular meeting of the Monument Town Council and led those assembled in the Pledge of Allegiance. Proper notice of the meeting was posted for more than 24 hours in the designated posting locations. The following Councilmembers and staff were present for the meeting:

TOWN COUNCIL	TOWN STAFF
PRESENT: Mayor Mitch LaKind Mayor Pro Tem Steve King Councilmember Sana Abbott Councilmember Marco Fiorito Councilmember Kenneth Kimple Councilmember Laura Kronick	Madeline VanDenHoek, Town Manager Patrick Regan, Police Chief Tina Erickson, Town Clerk Ashley Hernandez-Schlagel, Town Attorney Will Williams, Director of IT Thomas Tharnish, Director of Public Works Jennifer Phillips, Director of Finance Laura Hogan, Director of Administration Dan Ungerleider, Director of Planning Jenna Gorney, Senior Planner
ATTENDED REMOTELY: Councilmember Chad Smith	
ABSENT WITH PRIOR NOTICE:	
ABSENT WITHOUT PRIOR NOTICE:	

2. Disclosures of Conflicts of Interest

- a. Disclosures of Potential Conflicts of Interest
 - b. Vote on Excluding Council Members With Potential Conflicts of Interest From Consideration, Discussion and Voting on Identified Matters
- No disclosures with potential conflicts of interest were received.

3. Approval of the Consent Agenda

- a. Agenda - March 2, 2026
 - b. Meeting Minutes - February 17, 2026
 - c. Special Meeting Minutes - February 18, 2026
 - d. Invoices Over \$25K
- Mayor Pro Tem Steve King made a motion to amend the agenda to include a

discussion after the second executive session to resume regular meeting to discuss a letter and a revision to the February 17, 2026 minutes and the motion was seconded by Councilmember Chad Smith. Roll call vote was taken and the motion passed 7 to 0.

4. Presentations

a. Tri-Lakes Chamber of Commerce

Terri Hayes with the Chamber of Commerce gave a presentation as included in the council packet about the Tri-Lakes Chamber of Commerce and what they do for the community.

b. Rename the Road: Crossfield Road Renaming Contest

Gorney presented the renaming of the road Crossfield Road renaming contest for public engagement process as included in the council packet. The contest will be on the Town of Monument website for 3 weeks, submissions can also be submitted in person at the Town Hall. The campaign will follow a 7- week timeline and have a ceremony upon decision of the new road name.

c. Draft Legislation on Monument Representation

Commissioner Wysong with El Paso County gave a presentation on the draft legislation on Monument representation on Fountain Creek Watershed. Wysong provided a map for the estimated bark beetle spread along the Colorado front range.

5. Ordinances *Public Hearing(s) Required*

a. Ordinance No. 03-2026 - A Ordinance Prohibiting the Installation of Graywater Treatment Works and the Associated Use of Graywater Within the Town of Monuments Water Service Area in Accordance With the Requirements of House Bill 24-1362

Tharnish presented ordinance 03-2026 as included in the council packet. The council had a discussion about how other water districts will be impacted by the house bill if the ordinance is written to include town boundaries. Mayor Mitch LaKind did not open the public hearing. Councilmember Marco Fiorito made a motion to continue ordinance no. 03-2026 and to modify the language in the ordinance to March 16, 2026 and the motion was seconded by Councilmember Laura Kronick. Roll call vote was taken and the motion passed 7 to 0.

6. Resolutions

a. Resolution No. 14-2026 - A Resolution Approving a Master Services Agreement With Respec Company LLC to Provide Construction Services for the Beacon Lite Road Pipeline Project and the Monument Hill Water Tank Project

Tharnish presented resolution no. 14-2026 as included in the council packet. Councilmember Marco Fiorito made a motion to approve resolution no. 14-2026 and the motion was seconded by Councilmember Laura Kronick. Roll call vote

was taken and the motion passed 7 to 0.

7. Public Comments For Items Not on the Agenda

- Atis Jurka provided a brief update regarding Palmer Lake.

8. Future Agenda Item Authorization

- Front Range Passenger Rail District presentation on March 16, 2026.

9. Council Comments

- Councilmember Marco Fiorito would like a follow up regarding leasing companies for maintaining roads and parking lots in commercial areas.
- Mayor Mitch LaKind gave appreciation for the retreat and the quality and professional work.

10. Executive Sessions

- a. Executive Session Pursuant to §24-6-402(4)(e), C.R.S., to Determine Positions Relative to Matters That May Be Subject to Negotiation, Developing Strategy for Negotiations, and Instructing Negotiators, Regarding a Proposed Economic Development Agreement

Councilmember Marco Fiorito moved to enter executive session pursuant to 24-6-402(4)(e), C.R.S., to determine positions relative to matters that may be subject to negotiations, developing strategy for negotiations, and instructing negotiators, regarding a proposed economic development agreement. Councilmember Laura Kronick seconded the motion. roll call vote was taken and the motion passed 7 to 0.

- b. Executive Session Pursuant to Section § 24-6-402(4)(b) C.R.S. for a Conference With the Town Attorney for the Purpose of Receiving Legal Advice on Specific Legal Questions Relating to El Paso County PCD File No. EXBL261 - Administrative Boundary Line Adjustment and PCD File No. CDR261 Grading/Stockpile Permit Application

Councilmember Marco Fiorito moved to enter executive session pursuant to 24-6-402(4)(b), C.R.S., for a conference with the Town Attorney for the purpose of receiving legal advice on specific legal questions relating to El Paso County PCD file no. EXBL261- administrative boundary line adjustment and PCD file no.

CDR216 grading/stockpile permit application and to return to the regular meeting. Councilmember Laura Kronick seconded the motion. Roll call vote was taken and the motion passed 7 to 0.

- The Council took a brief recess at 8:22 pm.
- The Council entered executive session at 8:30 pm.
- The Council concluded executive session at 8:55 pm.
- The Council resumed regular meeting at 8:57 pm.


The council gave direction for the Town Attorneys to review the drafted letter, the

planning director will then submit the revised letter to El Paso County.

11. Adjournment

Mayor Mitch LaKind moved to adjourn the meeting, the motion was passed unanimously, the meeting was adjourned at 8:59 pm.

Respectfully Submitted,



Tina Erickson, Town Clerk

