

**THE HONORABLE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LOVELOCK MET IN A JOINT SESSION WITH THE HONORABLE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF THE COUNTY OF PERSHING AT THE CITY COUNCIL MEETING ROOM ON MARCH 6, 2018 AT 5:00 P.M.**

Present for City of Lovelock:

Mayor	Mike Giles
Councilmen	Pat Rowe
	Tom Donaldson
	Dan Murphy
City Clerk	Lisa Booth
Police Chief	Michael Mancebo

Present for Pershing County:

Chairman	Robert McDougal
Commissioners	Larry Rackley
	Carol Shank
District Attorney	Bryce Shields

Visitors: Lacey Donaldson (County Clerk), Rene Childs (County Recorder), Karen Wesner (County Commission Executive Secretary), Karen Stephens (Justice of the Peace), Heidi Lusby-Angvick (Pershing County Economic Development), Rodney Wilcox (Fire Chief), Laurie Cerini (County Assessor), Jerry Allen (Sheriff), Paige Barney, Jesse Katsaris, Michael Heidemann, Loren Bianchi, Dave Skelton, Debbie Mock, Justin Abbott, Karen Learner, Galen Reese, Patty Burke, and Darrell Mancebo.

Mayor Giles and Commissioner McDougal called the City and County meetings to order at 5:00 p.m.

**PUBLIC-PERSONAL COMMUNICATION-CORRESPONDENCE:**

There were no comments from the public.

Mayor Giles said the City Council has not had a meeting to work on budgets, but the City has reports for eight (8) months of the current budget year, and revenue is at about 50% of projected; the figures for next year are also down.

Commissioner McDougal stated that the County Commission will be doing budgets in two weeks.

**BUSINESS IMPACT DETERMINATION:**

The Council reviewed and discussed briefly the probable effect that each agenda item for this meeting could have on a "business" as the term is defined by statute. Councilman Donaldson moved for the City to find that no item on this meeting agenda appears to impose a direct and significant economic burden on a business or directly restricts the formation, operation or expansion of a business.

Motion carried unanimously.

Commissioner Shank made and Commissioner Rackley seconded the same motion for the County.

Motion carried unanimously.

**2018-2019 FISCAL YEAR AGREEMENT BETWEEN CITY OF LOVELOCK AND PERSHING COUNTY REGARDING THE 1970-1971 AD VALOREM TAX EXCHANGE AND SUBSEQUENT TAX EXCHANGES:**

Mayor Giles commented that the Department of Taxation will not allow any new tax exchanges.

Councilman Murphy moved for the City to approve the 2018-2019 Fiscal Year Agreement between Pershing County and City of Lovelock regarding the 1970-1971 Ad Valorem tax exchange and subsequent tax exchanges as presented.

Motion carried unanimously.

Commissioner Rackley made and Commissioner Shank seconded the same motion for the County.

Motion carried unanimously.

**2018-2019 FISCAL YEAR COOPERATIVE AGREEMENT BETWEEN CITY OF LOVELOCK AND PERSHING COUNTY FOR SHARING COSTS:**

The Council and Commission reviewed the FY 2017-2018 cooperative agreement and agreed as follows for the FY 2018-2019 agreement:

1. LOVELOCK VOLUNTEER FIRE DEPARTMENT AND AMBULANCE SERVICE: All items stay the same.
2. ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT: All items stay the same.
3. CHAMBER OF COMMERCE: Mayor Giles noted the City and County each agreed to pay equally up to \$2,000 to the Chamber. Commissioner Shank said because the Chamber has not been active, the County has not paid their \$2,000 for this fiscal year. It was suggested that a line be added that the Chamber is currently not operational, but at such time they become active again, the County will resume payment. District Attorney Shields will reword the agreement. All other items stay the same.
4. ANIMAL CONTROL SERVICES: Commissioner Shank suggested adding "other animals" after "cats and dogs" since more than cats and dogs are taken care of. All other items stay the same.
5. RECREATION: All items stay the same.
6. LAW ENFORCEMENT: All items stay the same. Commissioner McDougal stated that the new law enforcement center has to and will be built, but how it is going to be built is the question.
7. SEWER/WASTE DISPOSAL PICK-UP FEES: All items stay the same.
8. JUVENILE DEPARTMENT: All items stay the same.
9. LEGAL SERVICES: All items stay the same.
10. JUSTICE COURT/MUNICIPAL COURT: All items stay the same.
11. RECYCLING CENTER: All items stay the same.

Councilman Murphy moved to approve the 2018-2019 fiscal year cooperative agreement between the City of Lovelock and Pershing County for sharing costs with the changes as discussed.

Motion carried unanimously.

Commissioner Shank moved and Commissioner Rackley seconded to approve the 2018-2019 fiscal year cooperative agreement between the City of Lovelock and Pershing County for sharing costs with the changes as discussed.

Motion carried unanimously.

**DISCUSSION ON MATTERS OF MUTUAL CONCERN AND INTEREST TO CITY AND COUNTY (NO ACTION TAKEN):**

1. COMBINING CITY/COUNTY FIRE DEPARTMENTS: Commissioner McDougal stated the County discussed this in a Commission meeting; one of the thoughts is to spin the departments into a separate agency with taxing authority and a governing board which includes both City and County representatives.

Mayor Giles remarked that over the years consolidation has been discussed; there is room in the tax rate for the Rye Patch, Imlay and Grass Valley Fire departments, but the Lovelock tax rate is capped. It could be beneficial for the County to have fire districts and then anything outside of the district would be BLM responsibility.

District Attorney Shields suggested a couple of options; he was asked to look into the matter and then discuss it with the City legal counsel.

Commissioner Shank stated she spoke with the Mayor about just having one budget through the County system for the fire department, with the City contributing their portion to the County.

Fire Chief Wilcox said there have been some problems with fire inspections and the County is working on a procedure to provide fire inspections. Wilcox suggested the City should be doing the same thing.

Mike Heidemann commented on the fire inspection procedure and noted the City did not have an interlocal agreement with the State Fire Marshall office.

2. COMBINING CITY/COUNTY PLANNING DEPARTMENTS: Mayor Giles said that planning is already a combined board.

Commissioner McDougal remarked the County is referring to combining the building inspection and permitting functions. The revenue from permitting and the cost of funding a combined department will have to be determined. Currently, fees only cover a small portion of the department salaries.

3. CITY/ COUNTY CODE ENFORCEMENT: Commissioner McDougal said the County has a code enforcement officer and the City does not; possibly having City code enforcement is something that can be looked at in the future.
4. MATTERS OF MUTUAL CONCERN: Mayor Giles said: (i) he spoke with POOL-PACT and they will not know the insurance rates until the first week in April; (ii) he received a letter from Office of Nuclear Projects advising of a program for hauling waste containers on I-80, and classes will be offered on program safety and response; (iii) he attended a NDOT workshop to discuss: (1) the island situation in front of the Courthouse and possibly abandoning the short street, and (2) the issue with the corner of 14th St./Cornell Ave./Upper Valley Road which may possibly be helped with a painted round-about; and, (iv) there is a new economic development person for the rural areas, his name is Matthew Moore and he was in Lovelock a few days ago.

Commissioner McDougal and Heidi Lusby-Angvick are attending meetings for the I-11 corridor.

Commissioner Rackley gave an update on the recycle center: (i) they hauled a lot of stuff from behind the building; (ii) they applied for an EPA grant to put into the building (paint, electrical, heating and cooling); and, (iii) the recycle board needs a new City representative as the current City appointee does not attend the meetings.

District Attorney Shields and Commissioner McDougal have been attending meetings about the Naval Air Station expansion.

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**PUBLIC-PERSONAL COMMUNICATION-CORRESPONDENCE:**

Heidi Lusby-Angvick (Economic Development) stated the Economic Development Authority is working on a strategic plan and there will be a workshop in April.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 6:10 p.m.

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Michael R. Giles, Mayor

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Lisa Booth, City Clerk