

THE HONORABLE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LOVELOCK MET IN REGULAR SESSION ON JANUARY 17, 2023 AT THE LOVELOCK CITY HALL AT 7:00 P.M.

Present:

Mayor
Council members

Michael Giles
Bonnie Skoglie
Jordan McKinney
Jonathon Reynolds
Michael Mancebo
Kent Maher
Terri Wilcox

Police Chief
Legal Counsel
City Clerk

Guests: Teri Gage (Eide Bailly), Frankie Graham (Coeur Rochester), Tim Dimock (Coeur Rochester), Terri West (Coeur Rochester), and Mark Pilon.

PUBLIC COMMENT-PERSONAL COMMUNICATION-CORRESPONDENCE:

There was no public comment, personal communication, or correspondence.

MINUTES REVIEW-APPROVAL:

Council member McKinney moved to approve the January 3, 2023 City Council regular meeting minutes as presented.

Motion carried unanimously.

BUSINESS IMPACT DETERMINATION:

After review and consideration of the probable effect that each agenda item for this meeting could have on a "business" as defined by statute, Council member Reynolds moved to make a finding that no item on this meeting agenda appears to impose a direct and significant economic burden on a business or directly restrict the formation, operation, or expansion of a business.

Motion carried unanimously.

FISCAL YEAR 2021-2022 AUDIT / BUDGET FUNDS-ACCOUNTS-FINANCIAL OPERATIONS:

Teri Gage, Eide Bailly, presented the independent auditor's report of the City for fiscal year 2021-2022. An unmodified opinion was issued for the financial statements, which is the highest level of assurance for government auditing standards.

The net position, which is similar to a balance sheet, indicates net assets of cash and investments went up about \$800K compared to the previous fiscal year. A majority of the increase is due to the ARPA funds. There were about \$200K in capital asset purchases from ARPA funds: \$39K for a tractor, \$45K for sewer improvements, \$100K for safety vehicles, and \$16K for a software system. Liabilities for PERS (active employees retirement contributions) and OPEB (retired employees benefits) are both increasing.

The general fund ending fund balance was \$700K. The business licenses revenue decreased about \$3K. The street and road fund (gas tax) ended the year with \$177K, or about \$47K over budget. The city financial information was fairly stated in all material respects and there were no statutory violations. The utility fund ended the year with a loss of about \$112K which means the rate payors are not paying for all the costs of operating the utilities. \$369K of the cost is depreciation, which is reported, but not typically funded by most local government organizations.

Council member Skoglie moved to accept as presented the Eide Bailly 2021-2022 audit report.

Motion carried unanimously.

COEUR ROCHESTER PRESENTATION:

Coeur representative Tim Dimock provided an aerial view video of the mine expansion projects and explained that ultimately there would be a 20% permanent growth in jobs at the mine.

Mayor Giles stated that because of lack of housing in the area, Nevada Rural Housing Authority and I80 Gold are considering working together to facilitate housing for the area. Coeur and US Silica (formerly Eagle-Picher) will be contacted to see if there is an interest in joining in the effort.

Motion carried unanimously.

SEWER-DISPOSAL ACCOUNT DELINQUENCIES-ADJUSTMENTS-REFUNDS:

The delinquent account list was reviewed and discussed. City Clerk Wilcox presented a list of deposits which have been on hand for close to one year and requested they be credited to the customer accounts.

Council member Reynolds moved to approve the credit of the account deposits to the customers accounts as presented.

Motion carried unanimously.

ORDINANCE INTRODUCTION / PROPOSAL TO AMEND-UPDATE LICENSING CODE:

The item was tabled pending receipt of a draft ordinance.

ORDINANCE INTRODUCTION / PROPOSAL TO REGULATE VEHICLES ON PUBLIC STREETS-RIGHTS OF WAY:

The item was tabled pending receipt of a draft ordinance.

AMERICAN RESCUE PLAN ACT (ARPA) FUNDS:

Mayor Giles reported: (i) five street light poles are damaged and six new poles and fixtures were ordered for \$26,736 (ARPA funds); (ii) the city hall outside lighting (ARPA funds) fixtures were delivered and installation will begin soon; (iii) the bid specs for re-roofing the City Hall are being prepared and the project will soon be ready for bid solicitation; (iv) Velocity has located a waste hauling truck which could be delivered by November or December; (v) specs for purchase of a storage shed for the City Clerk office files are being developed; and, (vi) Wild West Chevrolet in Yerington and Champion Chevrolet in Reno both advised they cannot provide any 2023 utility trucks; however, Michael Hohl in Carson City apparently has four (4) one-ton trucks (for public works) and a utility vehicle (for the police department) which are available. Giles suggested the city also consider purchasing dump trailers to use with the one-ton trucks. Giles requested the truck and utility vehicle purchases be placed on the next available agenda.

No action was taken.

BROWNFIELDS GRANT PROJECT REPORT:

There was no report.

No action was taken.

BUSINESS-LIQUOR-SPECIAL EVENTS LIQUOR LICENSES-BUILDING PERMITS:

The following licenses and permits were reviewed and considered:

Special Events Liquor Licenses:

There were no special events liquor licenses.

Business Licenses:

903169 – Charlsie Duffy Wilcox – Fitness Trainer

903170 – Lucas Montes – Electrical Contractor

903171 – Jeff Romero – Striping Contractor

903172 – Holly Trongo – Retail

Building Permits:

23-1731 – Randy Scilacci – 1465 Franklin Avenue – D & D Plumbing

23-1732 – Maverik, Inc – Main and I80 – Gas Station / Convenience Store

PROCLAMATIONS-AWARDS:

There were no proclamations or awards.

STAFF-COUNCIL REPORTS-PROPOSALS:

Council member Reynolds requested the marijuana ordinance placed on the next agenda for discussion.

Mayor Giles questioned if February 21 works for the joint meeting with the county to consider cost sharing since February 20 is a holiday and the school district will schedule their meeting on February 21. The council suggested having a workshop meeting on January 23 at 4:00 pm to explain and discuss the ad valorem tax exchange for cost sharing and funding of city functions and operations, the cooperative agreements for sharing responsibilities, and cost for performance of city functions and operations, controlled substances laws, taxing and local regulations, and transient lodging funds, uses and regulations.

Mayor Giles reported: (i) the National League of Cities has a meeting in Washington D.C. March 24-25; (ii) the Nevada League of Cities will have new officers on February 1; and, (iii) there is a public officials training meeting scheduled for February 3-4.

VOUCHERS, CLAIMS AND PAYROLL:

Council member McKinney moved to approve vouchers numbered 49532 to 49569.

Motion carried unanimously.

PUBLIC COMMENT:

There was no public comment.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 9:00 pm until the next scheduled City Council meeting on January 23, 2023, at 4:00 pm.

Michael R. Giles, Mayor

Terri Wilcox, City Clerk