

THE HONORABLE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LOVELOCK MET IN REGULAR SESSION ON MARCH 5, 2024 AT THE LOVELOCK CITY HALL AT 7:00 P.M.

Present:

Mayor
Council members

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

Legal Counsel
Police Chief
City Clerk

Visitors: Heidi Lusby-Angvick (PCEDA), Tina Gallagher, Wendy Nelsen, Mark Pilon, Patty Reese, Galen Reese, Chuck Cummins, Brian Smith and Rodney Wilcox (Fire Chief). There were others in attendance who did not sign in and one name was not readable.

PUBLIC COMMENT-PERSONAL COMMUNICATION-CORRESPONDENCE:

There was no public comments, personal communication or correspondence.

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT REPORT:

Heidi Lusby-Angvick, Pershing County Economic Development Association Director, reported: (i) attending a small business meeting concerning the Reno Sparks area; (ii) she is meeting tomorrow with Chris Branden from Western Nevada Development District; and, (iii) a local web-based newspaper will go live at the end of the month.

MINUTES REVIEW-APPROVAL:

Council member Skoglie moved to approve the February 20, 2024 regular meeting minutes and the February 20, 2024 special meeting minutes as presented.

Motion carried with Council members Reynolds and Skoglie voting aye and Council member McKinney abstaining because she was not present at the meeting.

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.

SEWER-DISPOSAL ACCOUNT DELINQUENCIES-ADJUSTMENTS-REFUNDS:

There was no delinquent list available because it is the beginning of the month.

Brian Smith requested approval for payment arrangements to allow the sewer service to be reinstated. Council member Reynolds moved to reinstate the service upon payment tomorrow of \$300 and payment monthly of \$160 until the delinquency is paid in full, and if a monthly payment is missed the service will be shut off and subject to the \$500 reconnection fee when reinstated.

Motion carried unanimously.

EMPLOYEE SEPARATION PAYMENT REQUEST:

Mayor Giles explained that former employee Alfonso Gonzalez has accrued 30.39 hours of vacation time, which has not been paid. He does not qualify for sick time because he was not employed for the required five (5) year eligibility period.

Council member Reynolds moved to approve payment to Alfonso Gonzalez for 30.39 hours of vacation time as requested.

Motion carried unanimously.

PROCLAMATIONS-AWARDS:

There were no proclamations or awards.

STAFF-COUNCIL REPORTS-PROPOSALS:

Chief Mancebo reported that he is down an officer. A reserve officer is currently undergoing a background check and will start next month and attend POST in July. There have been some issues with POST, and there is talk of doing the academy differently, possibly with the Western Nevada College.

Council member Reynolds questioned if the zoning at 1110 Cornell Avenue, the former Espinoza building, allows an occupant to stay in a camp trailer. Staff explained a letter was hand delivered to the property owners advising that it is against the city ordinance to live in a camp trailer in the city limits.

Council member Reynolds suggested that each council member donate \$25 per month from their city check to go toward a school scholarship. Legal Counsel Maher explained that each council member can do as they want with their income, and it is possible to have the funds automatically taken from each check and deposited to an account; however, the city is not responsible for opening, owning or maintaining such an account.

Council member Skoglie asked if the two trailers at 395 7th street are inhabited. Staff advised a letter will be hand delivered to the property owner advising that it is against the city ordinance to live in a camp trailer in the city limits.

Council member McKinney stated that there was no Recreation Board meeting for March, the next one should be in April.

Mayor Giles reported: (i) there is a League of Cities luncheon in April; (ii) he has a League board meeting in Carson City on April 12; (iii) there are Pool-Pact meetings on April 18-19; (iv) one of the properties on Western Avenue is cleaned and the other Western Avenue property is about half completed, the Elmhurst property is not started yet; and, (v) the city is down public works person in addition to the police officer vacancy.

Fire Chief Wilcox commented that he has listened to council meeting recordings and believes it was never stated the funds for the fire truck repairs were to be taken from the fire department budget. He believes the funds should be taken from somewhere else, such as an emergency fund. He want the funds put back in the department budget. Council member McKinney stated that the matter has been discussed numerous times. Council member Reynolds noted the funds had to come from somewhere, and for the last two years the fire department budget has not been completely used. The council did not specify where the money was to come from. Reynolds questioned where Wilcox thinks the money should come from. If there are any big ticket items that need to be ordered before the end of the fiscal year, Wilcox can come back to the council and either the money will be found or the purchase delayed until the next fiscal year.

VOUCHERS, CLAIMS AND PAYROLL:

Council member Reynolds moved to approve vouchers numbered 50560 to 50588 inclusive.

Motion carried unanimously.

PUBLIC COMMENT:

There were no public comments.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 7:44 pm until the next scheduled City Council meeting on March 19, 2024, at 7:00 pm.

Michael R. Giles, Mayor

Terri Wilcox, City Clerk