

THE HONORABLE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LOVELOCK MET IN REGULAR SESSION ON JANUARY 21, 2025, AT LOVELOCK CITY HALL AT 7:00 P.M.

Present:	Mayor	Rodney Wilcox
	Council members	Jordan McKinney Bonnie Skogleie Kirsten Hertz
	City Clerk	Nicole Reitz
	Deputy City Clerk	Lisa Booth
	Police Chief	Michael Mancebo

Absent: None

Visitors: Teri Gage, Greg Reitz, LeeAnn Gallagher, Brandon Chadock, Wendy Nelson, Mark Pilon, Tina Gallagher, and Lisa Pontius

PUBLIC COMMENT-PERSONAL COMMUNICATION-CORRESPONDENCE :

There were no comments, communications or correspondence.

MINUTES REVIEW-APPROVAL:

January 7, 2025, regular meeting minutes, Council Member Hertz disagreed with the wording in the minutes specifically the word "observation". She did reach out to the Attorney General and is waiting to hear back.

No action taken.

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 McKinney 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:

The Sewer delinquent list was reviewed by the Council.

No action was taken.

FISCAL YEAR 2023-2024 AUDIT OF CITY BUDGET FUNDS AND ACCOUNTS AND FINANCIAL OPERATIONS

Auditor Teri Gage, Eide Bailly, presented the independent auditor's report of the city for fiscal year 2023-2024. 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 like a balance sheet, indicates net assets of cash and investments increased. ARPA funds decreased therefore cash also decreased, which in turn decreased debt. The ending fund balance increased \$536,904. Notes to financial statements statue count of physical assets (department inventory) has not been done in a couple of years, Utility net position was \$4,118,240. The reason for this increase was due to the transfer of funds for a garbage truck.

Council member Skoglie moved to approve the audit reports as presented.

Motion carried unanimously

REQUEST FOR APPROVAL OF PARCEL MAP TO DIVIDE THE EXISTING PARCEL LOCATED AT 615 GRINNELL, IDENTIFIED AS APN 001-101-10, INTO TWO (2) 7,000 SF PARCELS:

The Pershing County Planning Department provided a map and supporting documents which were approved by the Planning Commission.

Council member Skoglie moved to approve the parcel map as presented.

Motion carried unanimously

PERSHING COUNTY REGIONAL PLANNING COMMISSION TO FILL THE VACANT POSITION FOR THE TERM ENDING JUNE 30, 2028:

Debra King submitted a letter requesting reappointment to the Planning Commission Board.

Council member McKinney moved to appoint Debra King to the Pershing County Regional Planning Commission Board for said term.

Motion carried unanimously

MAYOR-COUNCIL-STAFF REPORTS-PROPOSALS:

Council member Hertz requested the City Clerk look at having the meetings televised and/or zoom. Hertz also stated the importance of having a plan and working together.

Council member McKinney stated the need for a follow-up plan with policy and procedures. City Clerk Reitz will reach out to POOL/PACT to begin the update process of policies and procedures. McKinney reported attending the Recreation Board meeting. The pickle ball court was discussed and will be fixed to prevent water accumulation making a puddle. Also reported Lovers Aloft Balloon event is February 13-16.

Council member Skoglie will be attending the PECEDA meeting.

Mayor Wilcox (i) read Mark Pilon's resignation letter; (ii) police department requesting start of police negotiations; (iii) reported Ken (sewer plant operator) will be coming down 2 times weekly to help with Sewer plant operations and he is also working on estimated repairs; (iv) Wilcox and the maintenance crew have been cleaning the sewer plant; (v) The city is waiting for the Broadway appraisal report; (vi) joint City/County budget meeting is set for March 4th; (vii) Pershing County Planning Department, James Evans, will be doing the City inspections for the next three months at no charge. Wilcox reported that Kent Maher is no longer the legal counsel. Council member Hertz stated we should have discussed this together

City Clerk Reitz reported POOL/PACT Absorb is a training platform and will start the set-up process for city employee training and policy and procedure uploads. The council requested an open-ended agenda item to be able to discuss/approve procedures.

Police Chief Mancebo reported that POST training has started, and the City's employees made it through the first day.

VOUCHERS, CLAIMS AND PAYROLL:

Council member Skoglie moved to approve vouchers numbered 51273 to 51307 inclusive.

Motion carried unanimously

PUBLIC COMMENT:

LeeAnn Gallagher stated that the Council needs to be specific on proposals and transparency is very important.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 8:30 pm until the next scheduled City Council meeting on February 4th, 2024, at 7:00 pm.

Rodney J. Wilcox, Mayor

Nicole Reitz, City Clerk