

THE HONORABLE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LOVELOCK MET IN REGULAR SESSION ON MARCH 18, 2025 AT THE LOVELOCK CITY HALL AT 7:00 P.M.

Present: Mayor Rodney Wilcox
Council members Bonnie Skoglie
Kirsten Hertz
City Clerk Nicole Reitz
Legal Counsel Sean Rowe
Council member Jordan McKinney

Via telephone

Visitors: LeeAnn Gallagher, Neil Gallagher, Vonnie Hemp, Connie Campbell, Bill Drake, Diane Drake, Penny Higby, Joseph Stacey, Chuck Sayles, Sandra Sorani
ZOOM: Heidi Lusby-Angvick, Connie Gottschalk, Cheryl Haas, C. Moepono, Cathy Bryant, Tari Pilon, Brandon Chadock, Mariah Mancebo, Lisa Booth, Beth Dunning, Peggy Jones, Frankie Graham, Joe Pierce, Beki Rosas

Mayor Wilcox called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

PUBLIC COMMENT-PERSONAL COMMUNICATION-CORRESPONDENCE:

Lee Ann Gallagher expressed concerns about the outdoor gym and pickleball court, noting minimal usage and the financial burden. Also, criticized the Council for not addressing economic development concerns and the impact of low-income housing on the community, including increased pressure on emergency services and potential criminal activity.

ECONMIC DEVELOPMENT:

No report.

MINUTES REVIEW-APPROVAL:

Council member Skoglie motioned to approve the minutes of the March 4, 2025, meeting.

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 McKinney brought forth a motion 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:

City Clerk Reitz reviewed delinquent sewer account list and noted there are three (3) accounts scheduled for disconnect. Reitz also requested a write-off of account #315137.04 in the amount of \$45.43.

Council Member Skoglie motioned to approve the write-off of account # 315137.04 in the amount of \$45.43

Motion carried unanimously

COOPERATIVE AGREEMENT WITH NEVADA RURAL HOUSING:

Mayor Wilcox introduced the proposed cooperative agreement between the City of Lovelock and the Nevada Rural Housing Authority for the Tule Meadows Housing Project. Council members Hertz and Skoglie discussed the terms of the agreement, including preferences for residents and potential market rate units. Nevada Rural Housing Authority representative, Beth Dunning, explained the cooperative agreement and terms. There was further discussion on the implications of deed restrictions and the need for flexibility in the agreement. Legal Counsel Rowe stated the property would have to be rezoned as it is currently zoned as public service.

Council member McKinney moved to approve the cooperative agreement.

Motion carried by McKinney and Hertz voting in favor.
Council member Skoglie voting against.

CONTRACT FOR LEGAL SERVICES BETWEEN THE CITY AND THE FIRM MACKEDON, DEBRAGA, AND ROWE:

Council Member Hertz moved to approve the contract for legal services as presented and to review the contract in six (6) months.

Motion passed unanimously

WEED NOTICE STATUS / REVIEW OF EXISTING CONDITIONS OF PROPERITES :

Clerk Reitz discussed the weeds notices are moving forward, and we are in motion to put properties on the next agenda, set for public hearing. Legal Counsel would like to investigate the process of ordinances.

POOL/PACT AUDIT AND FINDINGS / CORRECTIVE ACTIONS / PROCEDURES TO ADOPT;

Clerk Reitz updates that there is a zoom meeting on March 25, 2025, to start the Risk Management program

PROCLAMATIONS-AWARDS:

There were no proclamations or awards.

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

Council member Hertz would like to investigate the possibility of charging a higher rate for mobile food truck business licenses. Legal Counsel Rowe requests this item on the next agenda. Clerk Reitz stated that health inspections once completed work for all counties; Washoe, Churchill, Pershing and such.

Council member Hertz is concerned with mobile food vendors selling in the community without business licenses or health inspections and taking business away from our existing businesses. Clerk Reitz states it is a law enforcement duty to shut them down. Mayor Wilcox will talk with Law Enforcement.

STAFF-COUNCIL REPORTS-PROPOSALS:

Mayor Wilcox reported:

- i) Ken Mallory, with SPB, should be submitting estimates for the necessary repairs to the Sewer Plant.
- ii) The Public Works crew has been working on clogged sewer line on Amherst; cleaning up parks, fertilizing grass, painting over the graffiti at the skate park.
- iii) Repairing broken flag cable.
- iv) Pershing County Planning Department continues to conduct City of Lovelock Building Inspections.

Council member McKinney reported on Recreation Board life jacket grant, the pool manager job is posted on the Pershing County website, and a group of local citizens are in the process of compiling the summer recreation book.

Council member Hertz reported she now knows when the Healthcare foundation meetings are and will begin attending them regularly. She has also been in contact with the Emergency Management Committee and will be attending meetings.

VOUCHERS, CLAIMS AND PAYROLL:

Council member Skoglie moved to approve vouchers number 51398-51432 and payroll check numbers 25031601-25031618.

Motion carried unanimously.
Council member McKinney abstained

PUBLIC COMMENT:

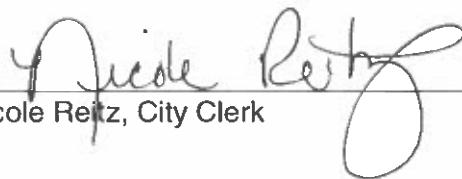
Sandra Sorani would like to congratulate Clerk Reitz on working hard toward being a good City Clerk and the City Council on hiring Legal Counsel. Also, Sorani requested the investigation of these food trucks, it's not only the health, but that they are parked down the street from local restaurants that pay taxes.

LeeAnn Gallagher would like to thank the Mayor and states she sees him out working on the sewer and likes the fact that he likes to know what's going on. The first meeting for the Community Clean-up will be on Sunday March 23, 2025, at 1:00 p.m. at the Depot. Gallagher also thanked Council members for their help with the clean-up. The Council and Mayor thanked LeeAnn and Neil Gallagher for coordinating the event.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 8:33 p.m. until the next scheduled City Council meeting on April 1, 2025, at 7:00 p.m.



Rodney Wilcox, Mayor



Nicole Reitz, City Clerk