



CITY OF ELY

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ELY CITY COUNCIL REGULAR MEETING

March 14, 2024, 5:00 p.m. – Ely Volunteer Fire Hall – 499 Mill Street – Ely, Nevada

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Link: <https://zoom.us/j/9771306332> **Meeting ID:** 977 130 6332

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THE COUNCIL MEMBERS MAY ADDRESS AGENDA ITEMS OUT OF SEQUENCE, COMBINE TWO OR MORE AGENDA ITEMS FOR CONSIDERATION, REMOVE AN ITEM OR DELAY DISCUSSION AT ANY TIME TO ACCOMMODATE PERSONS APPEARING BEFORE THE COUNCIL OR TO AID IN THE EFFICIENCY AND EFFECTIVENESS OF THE MEETINGS.

1. OPENING ACTIVITIES:

MEETING CALLED TO ORDER
PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE
INVOCATION
ROLL CALL

2. PUBLIC COMMENT: Per City Council action October 27, 2022, and in accordance with Nevada Revised Statutes 241.020, **public comment at the beginning of city council meetings is narrowed to agenda items only.** The public comment period at the close of city council meetings is for any matter relevant to or within the authority of the Public Body. Comments not exceeding three (3) minutes in length will be accepted from the general public in attendance. If any are made, there may be discussion upon those comments. No vote, decision, or action may be taken upon matters raised under this item until it is formally placed on the agenda. **Comments during Discussion Items will not be accepted from the General public.** “Section 7.05 of the Nevada Open Meeting Law Manual indicates that the Public Body may prohibit comment if the content of the comments is a topic that is not relevant to or within the authority of the Public Body or if the content of the comments is willfully disruptive of the meeting by being irrelevant, repetitious, slanderous, offensive, inflammatory, irrational or amounting to personal attacks or interfering with the rights of other speakers”.

3. Mayor – Discussion/For Possible Action – Approval of Agenda, including removal of agenda items.

4. CITY DEPARTMENT REPORTS

- [FIRE CHIEF](#)
- POLICE CHIEF
- MUNICIPAL COURT JUDGE
- CITY ATTORNEY
- CITY CLERK
 - ❖ [Liens](#)
 - ❖ [Lien Releases](#)
 - ❖ [New Business](#)
- CITY TREASURER / HR DIRECTOR
- [CITY PUBLIC WORKS DIRECTOR](#)
 - ❖ [Animal Control](#)
 - ❖ [Landfill](#)
 - ❖ [Parks/Cemetery](#)
 - ❖ [Streets](#)
 - ❖ [Water/Sewer](#)
- [CITY WATER OPERATOR](#)
- CITY ENGINEER
- CITY BUILDING OFFICIAL
 - ❖ [Permits-Inspections](#)

5. NNRV FOUNDATION REPORT

6. REPORTS

CITY COUNCIL
MAYOR

7. ITEMS FOR DISCUSSION/POSSIBLE ACTION OF THE ELY CITY COUNCIL AS RECOMMENDED BY THE MUNICIPAL UTILITIES BOARD.

1. Councilman Carson – Discussion/For Possible Action – Approval to submit a Preference Transfer Application to the Bureau of Land Management (BLM) for attachment of the City’s 1,675 Animal Unit Months (AUMS) to the 765-acre Agricultural Lease as base property.
2. Councilman Carson – [Discussion/For Possible Action](#) – Review of bids received for a five-year agricultural lease of 765 acres in the Georgetown Ranch, with possible award if the City’s AUM Preference Transfer Application is approved by the BLM and a different possible award if it is denied; proposed lease area is located in APN 010-42-006.
3. Board Members – City Clerk Lee – City Engineer Almberg – [Discussion/For Possible Action](#) – Review of bids received for the construction of the Parker Avenue/Stevens Avenue Sewer Main Upgrade Project, PWP# WP-2024-141, with possible award.

4. Board Members – City Clerk Lee – [Discussion/For Possible Action](#) – Approval to remove past due utility fee penalties up to the amount of \$3,140.19 from 23 Avenue F, McGill, Nevada at the request of Property Owner, Heather Hopewell.
5. Board Members – City Clerk Lee – [Discussion/For Possible Action](#) – Approval to remove past due utility fee penalties up to the amount of \$18,352.35 from 16 Third Street, McGill, Nevada at the request of Property Owner, James J. Gubbine, Jr.
6. Board Members – City Clerk Lee – [Discussion/For Possible Action](#) – Approval to remove past due utility fee penalties up to the amount of \$6,991.67 from 8 Avenue J, McGill, Nevada at the request of Property Owner, Rachel Nardi.
7. Board Members – City Clerk Lee – [Discussion/For Possible Action](#) – Approval to remove past due utility fee penalties up to the amount of \$ 6,817.39 from 4 Fifth Street, McGill, Nevada at the request of Property owner, Demetrios Mellos ET AL.
8. Board Members – City Clerk Lee – [Discussion/For Possible Action](#) – Approval to remove past due utility fee penalties up to the amount of \$4,115.60 from 1536 E. 2748 N. Street, Ely, Nevada at the request of Property owner, Jessica Allen and Jamie Wicks.
9. Board Members – City Clerk Lee – [Discussion/For Possible Action](#) - Approval to remove past due utility fee penalties up to the amount of \$4,038.72 from 15 Avenue K, McGill, Nevada at the request of Property owner, Robert N. Pratt.
10. Board Members – City Clerk Lee – [Discussion/For Possible Action](#) – Approval to remove past due utility fee penalties up to the amount of \$4,053.49 from 11 Avenue C, McGill, Nevada at the request of Property owner, Robert N. Pratt.

8. ITEMS FOR DISCUSSION/POSSIBLE ACTION ONLY OF THE ELY CITY COUNCIL.

A. CONSENT AGENDA (These items may be approved in one motion by the Council as its first action of business under For Discussion/Possible Action items.) Approval of the Consent Agenda approves each of these items. Council Members may remove any item from the Consent Agenda by notifying the Mayor or Mayor pro temp.

MOTION: Move to approve the Consent Agenda item 8A-1 Minutes and 8A-2 Bills.

Moved by: _____ Second by: _____ Vote: _____

1. Discussion/For Possible Action – Minutes
 - [February 22, 2024](#)
 - [February 29, 2024](#)
2. Discussion/For Possible Action – Bills.
 - [February 23, 2024](#)
 - [February 29, 2024](#)
 - [March 7, 2024](#)

B. NEW BUSINESS

1. Mayor Robertson – Discussion Only – State of the City address
2. Mayor Robertson – Discussion/For Possible Action – Review of age and to-date maintenance costs of City Fire Engine “Rescue 1”, with possible direction to Fire Chief to obtain replacement cost information.
3. Mayor Robertson – Joe Byers of Pleasant Valley Energy Consultants – Dr. Uwa Unyioha-Osimiri of African Women Mobilization Commission – [Discussion Only](#) – Presentation regarding Empowering Women through Education Project near Ely.
4. Councilman Trask – Discussion/For Possible Action – Approval to Direct City Attorney to draft a Resolution changing the day of City Council meetings from the second and fourth Thursdays of the month to the second and fourth Wednesdays of the month.
5. Councilwoman Elliott – Councilman Alworth – Discussion Only – Update on Porter Group efforts on the City of Ely’s behalf to secure federal and State funding.
6. Council Members – City Treasurer Trask – Discussion/For Possible Action – Update regarding White Pine County’s decision to remove White Pine County from Supplemental City-County Relief Tax Guaranteed Status with the Nevada Department of Taxation, as it relates to the City’s current Intergovernmental Agreement for Changed Distribution of Tax Revenues with White Pine County and the White Pine County Hospital District which ends June 30, 2024.
7. Council Members – City Clerk Lee – [Discussion/For Possible Action](#) – Review of value-engineered bid received to complete plumbing in Steptoe Valley Skeet and Trap Club hunter education building, with possible reconsideration of February 22, 2024 Council action and award of value-engineered bid.

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10. ADJOURNMENT: THE MEETING MAY BE ADJOURNED BY APPROPRIATE MOTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL.

* Open session – Action/Discussion – Personnel** The meeting may be closed by appropriate motion for the purpose of discussion on any matter allowed under N.R.S. 241.031 and 241.033. (1) nothing contained in this chapter prevents a public body from holding a closed meeting to consider the character, alleged misconduct, professional competence or physical or mental health of a person/employee. (2) A public body may close a meeting upon a motion, which specifies the nature of the business to be considered. (3) This chapter does not: (a) Apply to judicial proceedings. (b) Prevent the removal of any person who willfully disrupts a meeting to the extent that its orderly conduct is made impractical. (c) Prevent the exclusion of witnesses from a public or private meeting during the examination of another witness. (d) Require that any meeting be closed to the public. (e) Permit a closed meeting for the discussion of the

appointment of any person to public office or as a member of a public body. (4) The exception provided by this section, and electronic communication, must not be used to circumvent the spirit or letter of this chapter in order to discuss or act upon a matter over which the public body has supervision, control, jurisdiction or advisory powers. In accordance with Federal civil rights law and U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA) civil rights regulations and policies, the USDA, its Agencies, offices and employees, and institutions participating in or administering USDA programs are prohibited from discriminating based on race, color, national origin, religion, sex, gender identity (including gender expression), sexual orientation, disability, age, marital status, family/parental status, income derived from a public assistance program, political beliefs, or reprisal or retaliation for prior civil rights activity, in any program or activity conducted or funded by USDA (not all bases apply to all programs). Remedies and complaint filing deadlines vary by program or incident. Persons with disabilities who require alternative means of communication for program information (e.g., Braille, large print, audiotape, American Sign Language, etc.) should contact the responsible Agency or USDA's TARGET Center at (202) 720-2600 (voice and TTY) or contact USDA through the Federal Relay Service at (800) 877-8339. Additionally, program information may be made available in languages other than English. To file a program discrimination complaint, complete the USDA Program Discrimination Complaint Form, AD-3027, found online at <https://www.ascr.usda.gov/complaintfilingcust.html> and at any USDA office or write a letter addressed to USDA and provide in the letter all of the information requested in the form. To request a copy of the complaint form, call (866) 632-9992. Submit your completed form or letter to USDA by: Mail: U.S. Department of Agriculture, Office of the Assistant Secretary for Civil Rights, 1400 Independence Avenue, SW, Washington, D.C. 20250-9410; Fax: (202) 690-7442; or Email: program.intake@usda.gov.

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I, Jennifer Lee, City Clerk, did cause to be posted on **March 11, 2024**, by **9:00 a.m.** four (4) notices of the Ely City Council agenda in said City of Ely to wit: Posted at the doors or bulletin boards of City Hall located at 501 Mill Street, White Pine County Library located at 950 Campton Street, White Pine County Courthouse located at 801 Clark Street and the U.S. Post Office located at 2600 Bristlecone Avenue. The meeting notice is also posted on the City of Ely's website at <https://www.cityofelynv.gov/> and the State of Nevada Public Notices website at <https://notice.nv.gov>.

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Jennifer Lee". The signature is written in black ink and is positioned above a horizontal line that serves as a baseline for the signature.