

CITY OF ELY

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ELY CITY COUNCIL REGULAR MEETING

March 28, 2024, 5:00 p.m. - Ely Volunteer Fire Hall - 499 Mill Street - Ely, Nevada

1. Mayor Robertson called the regular meeting of the Ely City Council to order at **5:00 P.M.**, led in the Pledge of Allegiance, and asked for Roll Call.

Members present:

Mayor Nathan Robertson

Councilman Terrill Trask

Councilman Kurt Carson

Councilwoman Samantha Elliott

Councilman Jim Alworth

Councilwoman Jerri Lynn Williams-Harper

City Officials and staff present in the building or via video conference:

City Clerk Jennifer Lee

City Treasurer/HR Director Janette Trask

City Public Works Director Mike Cracraft

City Attorney Leo Cahoon

City Fire Chief Pat Stork

City Engineer B.J. Almberg

City Building Official Don Hendrickson

City Municipal Court Judge Mike Coster (Zoom)

City Administrative Assistant Patti Cobb

Also, in attendance: Members of the public in attendance at the Ely Volunteer Fire Hall signed in (appears below) and the following people attended via video conference: Geri Wopschall, Judy Wolf, Dennis Perea, Desiree Ramirez, Alan Kalt, Kathy L, Mitchell Pyle, and Jason.

ELY CITY COUNCIL ATTENDANCE LIST

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2. PUBLIC COMMENT

Melody Van Camp stated I was hoping the Council would table items four and five under New Business. Several years ago, the White Pine County Museum became our County and City's Visitation Center, being open seven days a week. It is my hope that you will give the Museum Board time to meet and bring additional information to you before you make a decision.

George Chachas stated on your agenda item 8B-4 you are to consider giving support to the White Pine Chamber of Commerce for a Downtown Ely Visitor Center and that needs to be denied as it is a private club. On your agenda item 8B-5 you are to consider allocating room tax received to the Downtown Ely Visitor Center and that also needs to be denied. On the Mayor's report there was a Special Event License approved to White River Boutique and they need to get a regular business license and not just a Special Event License when they decide to sell stuff.

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

Councilman Alworth moved to approve the agenda as presented with the removal of items B-11 thru B-14. Councilman Carson seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

4. CITY DEPARTMENT REPORTS

> CITY FIRE CHIEF

City Fire Chief Stork stated we did receive three applications; one from White Pine County, one from Las Vegas, and one from Reno for the open position and we are hoping one of them works out. We changed the transmission filters and fluid on Rescue 1 today and it seems to be running better. We reached out regarding quotes for the new apparatus we would like to acquire. The County approved funds, along with the hospital and the Volunteers. We are hoping to have the quote back by next Friday to do some fine tuning.

> CITY CLERK

City Clerk Lee stated two candidates; Dean P. Reynolds and Melody J. Van Camp filed for Council Seat 2 and their names will appear on the General City Election ballot. Only one candidate, Nathan Robertson, filed for Mayor and only one candidate, Dennis A. Perea, filed for Seat 4; they are both declared elected. The City Clerk's Office has moved to the second floor, Administrative Assistant Cobb and I will be happy to meet with individuals in the Conference Room should anyone prefer not to climb the stairs. Basin Engineering entered the technical narratives on the City's earmark requests and I have been completing the forms this week.

> CITY PUBLIC WORKS DIRECTOR

City Public Works Director Cracraft reported the duck pond continues to lose a large amount of water through a leak, the water department has been monitoring it daily and reports there has been no contact with the County regarding the issue at this time.

> CITY ENGINEER

City Council/Utility Board Report (3/28/24)

- Theres been movement on the Central Ely Sewer CATEX this week. Advised to fill out and turn in grant application.
- Completed next round of Earmark Applications.
- Attended Lead/Copper Inventory training this week. Due October 26th.
- Working on East Ely Waterline SHPO.
- Hoping for Bell Avenue Waterline CDBG approval next week and will get the project on the streets as soon as we recveive approval.
- Water Dept building bid is on the street.
- Coordinating with Mike and Carl to get Steptoe Creek water flow readings for our Georgetown water rights.

5. REPORTS

> COUNCILMAN ALWORTH

Councilman Alworth stated I attended the Natural Resource Advisory Board. There is a lot of concern right now with the solar panels for generating electricity. They seemed to be dialing in on having a huge issue with having them within ten miles of a substation; for example, the one they want to put in Jake's Valley which will affect grazing. The Mayor's contact, Roger Ravel, gave us some information on the solar panels on the Fire Station. He stated there were too many panels on the roof and it just boiled and got ruined. It was a good visit with him and a lot of good information to help make the decision about how to move forward.

> COUNCILWOMAN ELLIOTT

Councilwoman Elliott stated I would like to thank City Clerk Lee for all the work and extra hours she put in getting the applications completed for the Community Funded Projects (CFP) requests.

> MAYOR ROBERTSON

Mayor Robertson stated I recently went to Carson City along with many other Mayors from the State to meet with the Governor and the Governor stood us all up.

6. ITEMS FOR DISCUSSION/POSSIBLE ACTION OF THE ELY CITY COUNCIL AS RECOMMENDED BY THE CITY TREE BOARD.

1. Council Members – Tree Board Chairman Wolf – Discussion/For Possible Action – Approval that May 11, 2024, be proclaimed Arbor Day in the City of Ely with a tree planting at the Nevada Northern Railway Memorial Park honoring longtime Volunteer Extraordinaire Bill Holt.

Tree Board Chairman Wolf stated we have been doing a planting on Arbor Day for over twenty years and it is a key day for improving our municipal forest. There will also be a tree sale on Arbor Day.

	celebrate Day.
Thereas,	In 1872, J. Sterling Morton proposed to the Nebraska Board of Agriculture that a special day be set aside for the planting of trees, and
Whereas,	this holiday, called Arbor Day, was first observed with the planting of more than a million trees in Nebraska, and
Whereas.	Arbor Day is now observed throughout the nation and the world, and
Whereas.	trees can reduce the erosion of our precious topsoil by wind and water, cut heating and cooling costs, moderate the temperature, clean the air, produce life-giving oxygen, and provide habitat for wildlife, and
Whereas,	trees are a renewable resource giving us paper, wood for our homes, fuel for our fires and countless other wood products, and
Thereas,	trees in our city increase property values, enhance the economic vitality of business areas, and beautify our community, and
Thereas,	trees, wherever they are planted, are a source of joy and spiritual renewal.
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	May 11, 2024
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Councilman Trask moved to approve that May 11, 2024, be proclaimed Arbor Day in the City of Ely with a tree planting at the Nevada Northern Railway Memorial Park honoring longtime Volunteer Extraordinaire Bill Holt. Councilman Carson seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

7. THE MAYOR WILL RECESS THE REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING FOR A MEETING OF THE ELY LIQUOR LICENSING BOARD.

 Board Members – Discussion/For Possible Action – Approval of Class II Liquor Licenses to Richard Miller, DBA Miller's Ely 1 located at 1100 Aultman Street, Ely, Nevada; Ely 2 located at 909 East Aultman Street, Ely, Nevada; and Ely 3 located at 1690 Great Basin Boulevard, Ely, Nevada.

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2. Board Members – Discussion/For Possible Action – Approval of Class IV Liquor License to Robert James Park d.b.a. Taproot/The Space, LLC located at 301 Aultman Street, Ely, Nevada.

Councilman Carson stated I would like to disclose I own the building this business is in so I will be abstaining.

Councilwoman Elliott moved to approve Class IV Liquor License to Robert James Park d.b.a. Taproot/The Space, LLC located at 301 Aultman Street, Ely, Nevada. Councilman Trask seconded the motion. The motion carried with 4 ayes and 1 abstention from Councilman Carson.

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

Councilman Alworth disclosed I am a past member of the Ely Volunteer Fire Department and some payments benefit the Volunteers, in which I have certain privileges by my association, but I will vote in good faith for the City of Ely.

Mayor Robertson disclosed my husband is a member of the Volunteer Fire Department and is not treated any differently than any of the others so I will not be abstaining, and I also don't vote.

A. CONSENT AGENDA

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

Moved by: Councilwoman Elliott Second by: Councilwoman Williams-Harper Vote: Unanimous

- 1. Discussion/For Possible Action Bills.
 - March 15, 2024
 - March 20, 2024

B. NEW BUSINESS

Mayor Robertson – Discussion/For Possible Action – Approval of Activities
 Authorization Agreement between the City of Ely and Legacy Racing Association to
 cross City-owned APN 009-36-003 for an off-road race June 29th, 2024.

Mayor Robertson stated the route has to be changed for this race so this request from Legacy Racing Association is no longer needed.

The item died for lack of motion.

2. Councilman Trask – Discussion/For Possible Action - Approval of Resolution 2024-03, permitting sexual oriented entertainment with special event application to the City of Ely pending passage of an ordinance regulating such activity.

City Attorney Cahoon stated this Resolution is temporary until there is an ordinance in place to regulate this type of activity.

Councilman Carson stated I don't think these types of special events have the greatest track record in town and have kept the Sherriff's office very busy, I don't think it is right for downtown.

White Pine County Sherriff's Office Captain Todd Fincher stated the Sherriff's office is in favor of this Resolution until an ordinance can be put in place.

City Attorney Cahoon stated essentially, the law behind it implies you can regulate secondary effects, because these types of businesses and activity usually invite crime and different activity to them. There can be limitations on where they are located, if it's within so many feet of a school, but there's the question as to how far. There is one case where a city tried to ban this type of activity completely and they dismissed that case. I believe you can zone them, but it can't be so prohibited as to where it violates their rights. It really needs to be looked at case by case. My understanding is once the ordinance is in place this type of activity will be a separate license the business will need to obtain.

Councilman Alworth stated I would like to have the word "restaurant" removed from item 3C.

Councilman Alworth moved to approve Resolution 2024-03, permitting sexual oriented entertainment with special event application to the City of Ely pending passage of an ordinance regulating such activity with the removal of the word "restaurant" from item 3C. Councilwoman Elliott seconded the motion. The motion carried with 4 ayes and 1 nay from Councilman Carson.

3. Councilman Carson – Discussion/For Possible Action – Approval to allocate \$400,000 for street improvements from Community Service Funds committed to infrastructure.

Councilman Carson stated we did a lot of the heavy repairs last year. I spent a lot of time with the City Public Works Director, the Road Department, and the County's Road Department working on a plan to fix a lot of the roads and feel like we have a pretty good pattern, and it was effective. We did some experimentation with scrub/seal, chip seal, and cold patch. I think we should continue and fix all the roads we can.

Councilman Alworth asked are we going to go curb to curb because at one time we had talked about just going to the parking lane to save money?

City Public Works Director Cracraft stated we will be going curb to curb. The County just received a new spreader so that will help as well.

Councilwoman Williams-Harper moved to approve allocating \$400,000.00 for street improvements from Community Service Funds committed to infrastructure. Councilwoman Elliott seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

Mayor Robertson stated I would like to disclose that my husband is the CEO of the White Pine Chamber of Commerce so I will be abstaining from the next two items.

Mayor Robertson passed the gavel to Mayor Pro Tempore Williams Harper.

4. Councilman Alworth – White Pine Chamber of Commerce CEO Shadrach Robertson – Discussion/For Possible Action - Approval to provide financial support to the Downtown Ely Visitor Center from current fiscal year Community Support Funds not to exceed \$25,000.00.

Councilman Alworth moved to table providing financial support to the Downtown Ely Visitor Center from current fiscal year Community Support Funds not to exceed \$25,000.00. Councilman Carson seconded them motion. The motion carried unanimously.

5. Councilman Alworth – Discussion/For Possible Action – Approval to allocate in the FY25 budget a portion of the City of Ely's monthly room tax received to the Downtown Ely Visitor Center, not to exceed three percent (3%), to be distributed monthly via Accounts Payable.

Councilman Alworth stated one of the reasons to table this is we need to look at all the resolutions out there for distribution of room tax as it should have been allocated in different areas in the City, and it all has been thrown into one pot. Even if this was to go to that, we have an issue with our resolutions. We need to have the City Attorney review them and get the best bang for our buck for a Downtown Visitor Center.

Councilwoman Elliott stated I think we need to support the Chamber because when I travel, I always go to the local chamber of commerce for information. I think the location downtown is accessible for people to get information and from now until September it is such a busy time. The Chamber of Commerce sees hundreds of people and is a known place to go for direction.

Councilman Trask moved to table allocating in the FY25 budget a portion of the City of Ely's monthly room tax received to the Downtown Ely Visitor Center, not to exceed three percent (3%), to be distributed monthly via Accounts Payable. Councilman Alworth seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

Mayor Pro Tempore Williams-Harper passed the gavel back to Mayor Robertson

6. Councilwoman Williams-Harper - Discussion Only - White Pine Chamber of Commerce monthly report.

Councilwoman Williams-Harper read the following report into the record:



White Pine Chamber of Commerce

636 Aultman St. Ety, NV 89301 Phone: 775-289-8877 Email: WPCC@WhitePineChamber.com

White Pine County's Business Partner for Over One Hundred Years

Dear Ely City Councilmembers,

Please excuse my absence this evening and allow this written copy of our report to serve in my place. I am currently leading an educational field trip for 50 middle school students to a Las Vegas-based Museum. (Please pray for my safe return.)

The White Pine Chamber of Commerce, first, would like to thank you for your consideration of each agenda item this evening. It has been a pleasure to have the opportunity to develop our organization's services, and I appreciate Councilman Alworth's time, discussions, and support of our efforts to provide a vital contribution to this community.

The Chamber of Commerce continues to develop services for members, advocating, promoting, and building our network to enhance our city and county's identity as a pro-business area that is ready to meet the needs of every business that may be relocating or developing locally. According to Nevada's Department of Employment, Training, and Rehabilitation, White Pine County continues to have the lowest unemployment in the state. This rate has continuously decreased from late 2023 to last month's latest reporting.

The White Pine Chamber of Commerce is honored to announce that, The City of Ely and White Pine County will be featured in an article published in Forbes Magazine, Fortune Magazine, and Entrepreneur Magazine this summer, as well as across 300 news websites over the next two years. This article, focused on the past year's accomplishments and continuing efforts of this organization, highlights our city as a economic development destination.

Since our last report, we have grown even larger as an organization with both new and renewing preembers, now representing businesses and economic development organizations in Eureka and Nye Counties, creating the foundations to be represented on the state level as the largest and strongest economic development agency in Eastern Nevada. The Chamber aslo wrote a letter of support, for our member, the Ely Volunteer Fire Department, to the Pennington Foundation, to assist in the application for matching funds to aquire a new Rescue Engine.

Tourist season has officially begun! The Downtown Ely Visitor Center is averaging 80+ visitors weekly for the month of March, not including locals searching for information. We have also seen an uptick in requests for relocation information from visitors entering our offices

Thank you for your time and we look forward to continuing to serve you and all of our

Shadrach Robertson CEO - White Pine Chamber of Commerce 7. Councilwoman Williams-Harper – Discussion/For Possible Action – Approval of Lease Agreement between the City of Ely Volunteer Fire Department and the City of Ely for the use of the Volunteer Fire Hall for City meetings, with a term of July 1, 2024, thru June 30, 2027.

Councilman Alworth disclosed I am a past member of the Ely Volunteer Fire Department and have certain privileges by my association but feel I can vote in good faith for the City of Ely.

Mayor Robertson disclosed my husband is a member of the Volunteer Fire Department and is not treated any differently than any of the others and I also don't vote.

Councilwoman Williams-Harper moved to approve the Lease Agreement between the City of Ely Volunteer Fire Department and the City of Ely for the use of the Volunteer Fire Hall for City meetings, with a term of July 1, 2024, thru June 30, 2027. Councilman Alworth seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

8. Council Members – City Treasurer Trask – Discussion/For Possible Action – Approval of Resolution 2024-04 Establishing a special revenue fund known as "Extraordinary Repairs and Maintenance Fund" for the City of Ely and other matters properly relating to thereto.

City Treasurer Trask stated this has to do with the additional CTX funding we will be receiving due to the County going to a Non-guaranteed Status.

Mayor Robertson stated I think the pertinent information for this fund is understanding how that money can come out of there. It is only for repairs that happen less frequently than 5 years; nothing routine.

POOL/PACT Chief Financial Officer Alan Kalt stated there was a question if these funds could be used for the enterprise operations, the business type funds versus the governmental funds. Historically speaking, the business type funds operate in a businesslike manner that should pay for their costs through user services, not through governmental general resources. So, using that principle that you would not use these Extraordinary Repairs Funds for the replacement or fixing of equipment in one of the proprietary funds.

Councilman Alworth stated in the second whereas it mentions improvement of capital projects, when I read the word "capital project" to me that means the project is in process. I think the words "capital improvements of capital projects" needs to be taken out because I get the impression that if we have a project going and we run out of money, then let's use this fund. It needs to be for projects that are already in place and a good example would be the sewer pump station.

POOl/PACT Chief Financial Officer Alan Kalt stated a lot of the language in each whereas is lifted from NRS 354.6105 and the intent in my mind of capital projects is to replace the roof, the carpet, replacement of sidewalks, heating and ventilation, and air conditioning; those are part of the capital project. So, for example, in the building that you're in now, if, in fact, you had to put a new roof on, or do an extraordinary repair, a patch or a significant repair to fix the roof, because there's a leak. The capital project is the building that you're in to fix that roof. Looking at the language within the statutes, it says fund for extraordinary repairs and maintenance, repairs and improvements of capital projects and the language that defines those projects is exactly the language that was in the statutory provisions. When I was at Churchill County that's how we interpreted it and that's how we used it solely. We never used it to finish funding a brand-new capital project, so hopefully that helps with some of the understanding.

Councilman Trask moved to approve Resolution 2024-04 Establishing a special revenue fund known as "Extraordinary Repairs and Maintenance Fund" for the City of Ely and other matters properly relating to thereto, with a fund balance goal of one million dollars (\$1,000,000.00), a two hundred and fifteen thousand dollar (\$215,000.00) contribution now and an annual review. Councilman Carson seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

 Council Members - City Treasurer Trask - Discussion/For Possible Action - Approval of Resolution 2024-05 Establishing a special revenue fund known as "Compensated Absences Fund" for City of Ely and other matters properly relating thereto.

Councilman Alworth stated I think this is a no-brainer. We have to be prepared to pay out the employees if something were to happen. The numbers are spelled out in there as it has already been researched.

Mayor Robertson stated because we have a specific liability that we're planning for, I think if we put in a goal of up to \$200,000.00 in this account, we can fully fund that this year for this next fiscal year and we can review that every year.

Councilman Carson moved to approve Resolution 2024-05 Establishing a special revenue fund known as "Compensated Absences Fund" for City of Ely and other matters property relating thereto with a fund balance goal of two hundred thousand dollars (\$200,000.00). Councilwoman Elliott seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

10. Council Members – City Treasurer Trask – Discussion/For Possible Action – Approval of Resolution 2024-06 Establishing a special revenue fund known as "Supplemental City-County Relief Tax (SCCRT) Revenue Stabilization Fund" for City of Ely and other matters properly relating thereto.

Councilman Alworth stated we already have extra stabilization that's rolled into the Audit Fund Balance is this a separate balance?

City Treasurer Trask stated this is totally separate and is not bound by ten percent (10%) of expenditures.

Councilman Alworth stated in the third whereas I just want to make sure everybody understands that according to the provision of NRS 377.057, once an entity goes through the Non-Guaranteed status, it must remain in that status. In the seventh, whereas, it says collections due to a downturn in the mining industry and we could have a downturn if the prison shuts down. I don't think we want to have a specific industry, but maybe just say downturn in the economy.

POOL/PACT Chief Financial Officer Alan Kalt stated the ultimate goal is a hundred percent of what your CTX distribution would be which would be \$3 million as the goal. Obviously, I have retirement goals, and I'm never going to reach those, either. You may not reach your goal of one full year of distribution, but just keep pumping money into it with the hope and the expectation that you never, ever need it, but it's there in case of an economic downturn. If you could get to the goal of a hundred percent of one year's worth of distribution, that would be amazing. It may take ten to fifteen years to get there. Whatever prerogative the Council may have to put provisions, one of the key things here is it needs to be significant enough that you don't go raid the fund every other year. The need to access this fund should be remote. The intent is to make it a little difficult to achieve. A ten percent (10%) reduction would be \$280,000.00 in the \$2.8 million estimate in the current year, if you will.

Mayor Robertson stated in if we can only take out the 8.3% that would mean based on numbers right now, we could take out the maximum amount if we had to for five years. Do we need more than that for five years being the worst-case scenario?

City Treasurer Trask stated the thing is if we are down turning, we are using this to supplement and we are also going to be cutting some things.

Mayor Robertson stated I am saying maybe we have a goal balance of \$1 million.

City Treasurer Trask stated I would recommend \$2 million because I want to know we have that backup if the economy changes.

POOL/PACT Chief Financial Officer Alan Kalt stated I pulled up your audited financial statements, and I did the math that you did. The General Fund total expenditures for the

year ending June 30, 2023, was \$3,419,000.00. If you divide that by twelve, the 8.3% would be \$285,000.00. If you put that limitation on, that's what you would be able to transfer up is \$285,000.00, which goes exactly pretty close to your point in that you would have close to four years. Your expenditures are going to increase, but the important thing is that you have curbs in place, so you don't take too much. You take enough to address the issue and do exactly what your leadership is talking about in doing other things to address the shortfall rather than just this one item.

Councilman Trask moved to approve Resolution 2024-06 Establishing a special revenue fund known as "Supplemental City-County Relief Tax (SCCRT) Revenue Stabilization Fund" for City of Ely and other matters properly relating thereto with a fund balance goal of one million five hundred thousand dollars (\$1,500,000.00) to be reviewed annually to determine whether or not additional contributions need to be made during the next fiscal year, amending the twelfth and thirteenth Whereas sections setting the percentage at 8.3%, in the seventh Whereas section changing the verbiage of "downturn of the mining industry" to "downturn of the economy" and removing the last Whereas section referring to a budget mitigation plan. Councilwoman Elliott seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

15. Council Members – City Attorney Cahoon – Discussion/For Possible Action – Approval of Interlocal Agreement with the Regional Transportation Commission for the City Attorney to provide Pro Bono Legal Services in matters related to the City of Ely.

Councilman Alworth stated I would like clarification of why we are doing this.

City Attorney Cahoon stated the reason for this agreement is when there are issues involving city assets or city management, I am able to step in and protect the City's interest by working with the Regional Transportation Commission (RTC).

Councilman Carson moved to approve the Interlocal Agreement with the Regional Transportation Commission for the City Attorney to provide Pro Bono Legal Services in matters related to the City of Ely. Councilwoman Williams-Harper seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

16. Council Members – City Attorney Cahoon – Discussion/For Possible Action – Direction to City Attorney to file a claim against JCR Development, LLC's bond for the Regional Transportation Commission project on Murry Street, owned by the City of Ely.

City Attorney Cahoon stated that is why the agreement in the last item is needed so that I can go after this bond.

Councilman Carson moved to Direct City Attorney to file a claim against JCR Development, LLC's bond for the Regional Transportation Commission project on Murry Street, owned by the City of Ely. Councilwoman Elliott seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

9. PUBLIC COMMENT

George Chachas stated the public should have the same information as the officials three days prior to the meeting. Mr. Chachas stated ongoing concerns regarding any updates on the egress and ingress at the Golden Gate Project; who paid for the excavation paving at 901 Avenue H; code violations not being addressed by the Regional Planning Commission, City Council or County Commission; those that have been permitted in the City to park RVs and if they are paying utilities; the drainage from the Bath property; and clearing the drain behind Washington Federal Bank so he is able to access his property.

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

Councilman Alworth moved to adjourn the regular meeting of the Ely City Council at **6:40 p.m.** Councilwoman Elliott seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

MAYOR

ATTEST