

CARLIN CITY COUNCIL  
CITY OF CARLIN, STATE OF NEVADA  
REGULAR MEETING  
CARLIN CITY HALL  
101 SOUTH EIGHTH STREET  
CARLIN, NEVADA  
February 26, 2014, 7:00 p.m.

**Call to Order and Roll Call:**

Mayor Cliff Eklund called the meeting of the City Council to order at 7:02 p.m.

Council Members Present: Mayor Cliff Eklund  
Vice Mayor Donnetta Skinner  
Councilperson Bob DeMars  
Councilperson Jay Duke  
Councilperson Lincoln Litchfield

Absent:

1. Administrative Staff: City Manager Glenn Trust, City Clerk LaDawn Lawson, Public Works Director Carlos Esparza, Police Chief Bill Bauer
2. Present: Karla Jones, Mary Winter, Judy Bradshaw, Larry P. Bradshaw, Jacklyn J Wiscombe, Darla Baldwin, Teri Feasel, Arnold Huntley, Stacey Beeson, Rick Huntley, Carrie Huntley, Arnold Huntley, Nicholas Huntley, Fred Montes de Oca, Mindy Kahle, Howard Wright, Jill Wilcox, Bob Wilcox

**Pledge of Allegiance**

**I. Discussion and possible approval of the reappointment of Glenn Trust as City Manager for the City of Carlin, and all related matters. (Possible Action Item)**

1. Mayor Cliff Eklund stated he has done an excellent job in preparing the budget, maintaining the budget and financially Carlin is in good shape because of his efforts.
2. Councilperson Lincoln Litchfield reported he is doing an excellent job, especially with his assessment of AB68 as he took time to research that and bring it to the Council.
3. Councilperson Jay Duke agreed.
4. Councilperson Bob DeMars stated he is a huge asset and it would be detrimental to Carlin not to have him.
5. Vice Mayor Donnetta Skinner stated she likes the way he does his budget and it is filled out so we can understand.
6. Rick Huntley stated that when he was trying to get on the board, he was denied because he is not a resident of the city, noting Mr. Trust is not a member of the community.
7. Mayor Cliff Eklund stated the issue is that Mr. Huntley's driver license states his residence is somewhere else. He noted the by-laws required that any Planning Board Member be a resident of the city.
8. Mayor Cliff Eklund stated he could not produce a Nevada State driver's license.
9. Rick Huntley stated he does not have to; he has a federal license.
10. Mayor Cliff Eklund stated that is a fishing license that does not apply, noting he must be a resident of the State of Nevada to buy a fishing license.
11. Chief Bauer stated there were questions about residency and if those are cleared up, he could try again.
12. Rick Huntley stated he does not believe that Mr. Trust should be here any more than "he should be – and as for the rest of you, I don't believe that anywhere else in America you would have a seat on the Council".
13. Karla Jones discussed the two driver's licenses that she had commented on and something he should check up on.

14. Mayor Cliff Eklund explained that Mr. Trust is contracted to the City.
15. **Councilperson Jay Duke moved for approval of the reappointment of Glenn Trust as City Manager for the City of Carlin and all related matters. Mayor Cliff Eklund seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.**

**II. Discussion and possible approval of an adjustment to the City Manager's contracted compensation, and all related matters. (Possible Action Item)**

1. Mayor Cliff Eklund reported this item is in line with percentage increases of the department heads within the City. He stated if the budget does not allow raise, he would not take it and the raise would not go into effect until July 1, 2014.
2. Vice Mayor Donnetta Skinner inquired if this is the same percentage raise as the rest of the City.
3. Mayor Cliff Eklund replied affirmatively.
4. Councilperson Lincoln Litchfield explained it is a step increase.
5. Vice Mayor Donnetta Skinner stated they should hold his wages down if they have to hold the other people's wages down, but if they are all getting one, he should get one.
6. Mayor Cliff Eklund stated they automatically get step increases.
7. Councilperson Jay Duke stated this is based on the evaluation that the Council did recently on what he has already done and accomplished for the City.
8. Councilperson Lincoln Litchfield stated he has no problem with the raise, feeling City Manager Glenn Trust deserves it.
9. Mayor Cliff Eklund stated this is based on the funding.
10. City Manager Glenn Trust stated the step raises are automatic for the other department heads and not for him because he cannot put himself in for a raise without the approval of the Council. He stated he does not have an automatic step increase built into the contract. He noted an amendment to the Contract states "The Amendment may be rescinded by the City Council during the budgeting process for fiscal year 2014-15 or any time before July 1, 2014".
11. Councilperson Lincoln Litchfield stated City Manager Glenn Trust would see that before the Council and would put that in.
12. City Manager Glenn Trust agreed.
13. Arnold Huntley stated if he is a contracted to the City, why is his gas paid back and forth to work. He stated it says travel and training expenses.
14. Councilperson Jay Duke stated that is only for travel to meetings. He noted if Rick Huntley would like to comment during the meeting, he has to come forth to the microphone and introduce himself and talk into it.
15. **Councilperson Jay Duke moved for approval of an adjustment to the City Manager's contracted compensation, and all related matters. Councilperson Bob DeMars seconded the motion. The motion carried.**

**III. Review and possible approval of the minutes of the regular meeting of the Carlin City Council on January 22, 2014, and all related matters. (Possible Action Item)**

1. **Councilperson Bob DeMars moved for approval of the minutes of the regular meeting of the Carlin City Council on January 22, 2014, and all related matters. Councilperson Lincoln Litchfield seconded the motion. The motion carried.**

**IV. Review Discussion and possible approval of payments for the period 02/13/2014 to 02/26/2014 and all related matters. (Possible Action Item)**

1. Discussion was held on the tank testing.
2. **Councilperson Lincoln Litchfield moved for approval of payments for the period 02/13/2014 to 02/26/2014 and all related matters. Councilperson Jay Duke seconded the motion. The motion carried.**

**V. City Council Members' Reports.**

**City Council Members report on issues, concerns and events regarding Public Safety, Public Works, Planning Commission, Parks & Recreation, Senior Center, Cemetery and other matters of interest**

**(Non-Action Item)**

1. Councilperson Lincoln Litchfield had no report.
2. Councilperson Jay Duke had no report.
3. Councilperson Bob DeMars reported the motocross sealed a deal with the Southern Nevada Mud Boggers Association will be having an official mud bog event at the park and there is a big group coming from Idaho.
4. Vice Mayor Donnetta Skinner reported the Senior Center held the Sweetheart bingo last week and made \$500.00. She noted Darla Baldwin has had several events at the Center in the last month and she noted her appreciation and noted that one of the ladies from the Senior Services is coming to help the seniors for free on March 20. She noted the Library is having signups for the sports events.
5. Councilperson Jay Duke stated he has attended services at the cemetery and has heard compliments.
6. Vice Mayor Donnetta Skinner stated she has heard from out-of-towners on how nice the cemetery is kept and improved. She noted the people are very discreet with how they finish the work at the cemetery. She discussed the volunteers.
7. Mayor Cliff Eklund reported the Mayor Hicks of Ely passed away and condolences should be made to the City. He reported the finances are down due to how the State is reporting the taxes distribution. He noted they have another possible sale of land and it should be brought to the Council in the near future.
8. City Manager Glenn Trust stated it would probably be after the next council meeting.
9. Councilperson Jay Duke stated if the public has not understood what is happening, he encourages them to see what the issues are and how it impacts the consolidated tax and other revenue and understand what is facing the City. He noted they also have to pay attention to the margin tax from a business standpoint if the bill passes.
10. Mayor Cliff Eklund stated it is 2% tax.
11. Vice Mayor Donnetta Skinner stated it is confusing and is something that needs a lot of study.
12. Mayor Cliff Eklund stated the Teacher's Association is backing this and it is supposed to be an education bill and there is no mention of education in the entire bill. He stated it would have a dramatic impact on businesses if it passes. He noted the sage grouse bill and he is working with Rep Amodei to incorporate some BLM land into the City of Carlin and when it came before committee, BLM protested it. He noted they were not aware that the property is within the City Limits of Carlin and that it is bordered by US 80 and Eureka Highway. He stated the response was that the BLM does not have the wherewithal or manpower to inspect every 40 acres, so they just make a policy. He noted Rep. Amodei asked how big the blanket policy was and she replied it was from North Dakota to California. He stated they do not want to address the real issues. He stated both bills are going to be on the November ballot and need to be voted down as Clark County is pro.
13. Teri Feasel stated they should hold special meetings in Carlin on these issues.
14. Mayor Cliff Eklund stated there are meeting next week on it.
15. Councilperson Jay Duke stated NV Energy is sponsoring a meeting.
16. Mayor Cliff Eklund stated he would make arrangements if they would like him to.
17. Vice Mayor Donnetta Skinner agreed.
18. Mayor Cliff Eklund stated the fracking issue on wells is another scare tactic. He stated there are two meetings, one in Wells and Elko on March 6 at 6:00 p.m.

**VI. City Clerk's Report. (Non – Action Item)**

1. City Clerk LaDawn Lawson had no report.

**VII. City Manager's Report (Non-Action Item)**

1. City Manager Glenn Trust had no report.

**VIII. Comments by the General Public: Pursuant to NRS 241.020(2C) this time is devoted to comments by the general public and discussion to those comments. No action may be taken upon a matter raised under this item until the matter has been included on a successive agenda and identified as an action item. (Non-Action Item)**

1. Mindy Kahl introduced herself as a retired police officer and announced that she is going to submit her name for Sheriff of Elko County and she is willing to talk and meet with any of the public.
2. Jackie Wiscombe reported she has 5 acres between Newmont and the cemetery and asks if the City has intentions of putting a street that would key off 14<sup>th</sup> Street.
3. Mayor Cliff Eklund stated they do not have plans currently to do that. He does not have information on whether they have easements.
4. City Manager Glenn Trust stated there are no plans to extend the street.
5. Jackie Wiscombe stated they have to find out how far back they have to go to build their fence.
6. Councilperson Jay Duke stated if they are not going to put a road in, 14<sup>th</sup> abuts the property, she has more useable property to put her fence up.
7. Jackie Wiscombe stated the next question is to split the property and have 3 parcels on the lower half. She noted it is rural residential.
8. Mayor Cliff Eklund stated it would have to be parceled and rezoned.
9. Councilperson Lincoln Litchfield stated if it goes to 3 or more then it gets rezoned to residential.
10. City Manager Glenn Trust stated they cannot make a decision.
11. Mayor Cliff Eklund stated they would have to do research before they can make any decision.

**IX. Adjournment. (Action Item)**

**Councilperson Lincoln Litchfield moved for adjournment with Councilperson Jay Duke seconding the motion. The motion carried. The meeting was adjourned at 7:40 p.m.**

**APPROVED:**

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**CLIFF EKLUND, MAYOR**

**ATTEST:**

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**CITY CLERK LADAWN LAWSON**