

CARLIN CITY COUNCIL  
CITY OF CARLIN, STATE OF NEVADA  
REGULAR MEETING  
CARLIN CITY HALL  
101 SOUTH EIGHTH STREET  
CARLIN, NEVADA  
March 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 7:05 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
2. Present: Karla Jones, Mike Tangreen, Darla Baldwin, Jill Krantz, Aaron Martinez, Grant Smith

**Pledge of Allegiance**

**I. Acceptance of the resignation of Tom Lester from the Carlin Equestrian Center Board and vote of thanks for his service to the city, and all related matters. (Possible Action Item)**

1. Mayor Cliff Eklund reported Tom Lester called and verbally gave his resignation due to his workload and his mother being sick.
2. **Vice Mayor Donnetta Skinner moved for acceptance of the resignation of Tom Lester from the Carlin Equestrian Center Board and vote of thanks for his service to the city and all related matters. Councilperson Jay Duke seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.**

**II. Discussion and possible approval of the request from William Steele to serve on the Carlin Equestrian Center Board, and all related matters. (Possible Action Item)**

1. Mayor Cliff Eklund reported Mr. Steele was brought to the attention of the Equestrian Board by Wren Doxey who recommended he be placed on the board.
2. **Councilperson Jay Duke moved for approval of the request from William Steele to serve on the Carlin Equestrian Center Board, and all related matters. Councilperson Lincoln Litchfield seconded the motion. The motion carried.**

**III. Review and possible approval of engineering costs for design and engineering of a new wastewater pump station, and all related matters. (Possible Action Item)**

1. City Manager Glenn Trust reported this is an item they discussed during the budget workshop. He stated there is a breakdown of the engineering cost with phases the Preliminary Analysis of \$23,218 to be taken out of the current budget and the Phase 2 Project Design at \$84,598 to be paid during the FY 2015, both of which would be funded from the Utility Fund. He stated this would require a specialized electrical engineer and would be bid on. He stated Tom Ballew would be involved.
2. **Councilperson Jay Duke moved for approval of engineering costs for design and engineering of a new wastewater pump station, and all related matters. Councilperson Lincoln Litchfield seconded the motion. The motion carried.**

**IV. Review and possible approval of the minutes of the regular meeting of the Carlin City Council on February 26, 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 February 26, 2014, and all related matters. Vice Mayor Donnetta Skinner seconded the motion. The motion carried.**

**V. Review Discussion and possible approval of payments for the period 03/13/2014 to 03/26/2014 and all related matters. (Possible Action Item)**

1. **Councilperson Bob DeMars moved for approval of payments for the period 03/13/2014 to 03/26/2014 and all related matters. Councilperson Lincoln Litchfield seconded the motion. The motion carried.**

**VI. 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 Bob DeMars had no report.
2. Councilperson Lincoln Litchfield reported the Planning Commission has finished Chapter 13 of Title III, so the board is halfway. He stated they probably have six (6) more meetings to get through it. He noted David Jones has been on this process throughout the 10-12 years.
3. Chief Bill Bauer reported that the Elko PD was very instrumental in the incident at the high school. He stated they did a fine job and he has conveyed that to Police Chief Reed with a letter to follow.
4. Vice Mayor Donnetta Skinner reported it scared the children and the parents were appreciative of how the Police Department handled the kids.
5. Councilperson Jay Duke discussed the medical marijuana discussion at the Elko City Council.
6. City Manager Glenn Trust stated this would be on the Carlin Council's next agenda.
7. Councilperson Jay Duke stated he is of the opinion that they should not issue any opinions until they see how other communities are handling this. He reported that the NNRDA has voted not to send a letter concerning the margin tax. He suggested that the citizens should make themselves aware of this tax and its consequences. He stated they did discuss the 7% mining tax that might be coming and the sage grouse issue. He listed some of the effects of this tax.
8. Vice Mayor Donnetta Skinner reported a thank you to the Fire Department for helping with Ellen's party.
9. Darla Baldwin reported the Senior Center would hold an Easter Bonnet party, which is generally pretty funny. She noted there are five (5) new clients this month and thanked the members for visiting the Center.
10. Vice Mayor Donnetta Skinner stated they are currently working on the cemetery and getting ready for Memorial Day. She thanked Public Works and Public Works Director Carlos Esparza for their help.
11. Councilperson Lincoln Litchfield stated if anyone wants a flag hung at the cemetery, the American Legion will do so, but they have to be contacted in advance.
12. Mayor Cliff Eklund reported a 2% margin tax on any business that grosses over \$1 million in gross sales. He stated it does not make any difference if you operated at a loss; the business would still have to pay the tax. He noted, "This has to be voted out". He also noted the mine tax is 5% excess profit tax that would be put in the hands of the legislature to determine how much the mines make. He stated the mines through this have the potential of being "hit twice" by taxes. He stated it would have a devastating effect in northern Nevada by limiting the exploration work and the construction done on the larger mines and cost a lot of jobs. He stated it is proposed by the teacher's union, but there is nothing in the bill that defines the 2% will go to the schools. He noted if the schools do get the 2% there is nothing to stop the state from

decreasing the funds the schools get due to the 2%.

**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 reported he would like to thank the Vice Mayor for consistently complimenting Public Works Director Carlos Esparza and his crews.

**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. Aaron Martinez stated he is a resident of Elko and owner of A&M Engineering. He stated he wanted to get to know the Council and represents TICO Construction for the Carlin Springs Project. He stated this has been “kicked around for many years and we are now working with a constructible design”. He noted the site is topographically challenged, but he thinks the design they are putting together is something that could be built and there will be activity very soon. He stated he has completed 40% of the design, from the commercial pad layout to residential pad layouts. He stated he believes they will be on the agenda for the end of April or first of May and he will have all the exhibits at that point. He stated if they have questions, he is happy to answer them.
2. Councilperson Bob DeMars inquired if they are working closely with Paul Tanguay.
3. Mr. Martinez replied affirmatively.
4. Vice Mayor Donnetta Skinner thanked him for coming and reporting on the effort.

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

**Councilperson Lincoln Litchfield moved for adjournment with Vice Mayor Donnetta Skinner seconding the motion. The motion carried. The meeting was adjourned at 7:25 p.m.**

**APPROVED:**

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**CLIFF EKLUND, MAYOR**

**ATTEST:**

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**CITY CLERK LADAWN LAWSON**