

CARLIN CITY COUNCIL
CITY OF CARLIN, STATE OF NEVADA
REGULAR MEETING
CARLIN CITY HALL
101 S 8th Street
Carlin, NV
March 11, 2015, 7:00 p.m.

Call to Order and Roll Call:

Mayor Donnetta Skinner called the meeting of the City Council to order at 7:00 p.m.

Council Members Present: Mayor Donnetta Skinner
Vice Mayor Lincoln Litchfield
Councilperson Jay Duke
Councilperson Pam Griswold

Absent: Councilperson Bob DeMars

1. Administrative Staff: City Manager David Jones, City Clerk LaDawn Lawson, Police Chief Dennis Fobes, Public Works Director Carlos Esparza
2. Present: Paul Tanguay, Ralph Siler, George Kleeb, County Commissioner Cliff Eklund
Judy Bradshaw, Jackie Wiscombe, Lisa Brown, Jim Brown, Kathy Burney,

Pledge of Allegiance

- I. Comment by the General Public: Pursuant to NRS 241.020(2C) this time is devoted to comments by the general public and discussion of 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. None.
- II. Review and discussion and possible approval a request to place a flower planter/vegetable garden at the Carlin Senior Center on the South side and renovate one on the West side of the building and all related matters. (Possible Action Item)**
 1. Ralph Siler reported he had suggested this and the former director was considering it. He noted they first discussed using blocks and the City Manager David Jones talked to Ace Hardware for the blocks. They intend to put in a 4'x16' small raised garden to grow vegetables to use at the Center and he discussed digging out an area in the front that is not in use for a flower garden.
 2. Judy Bradshaw stated, "We started the memorial Rose Garden last year and they are growing".
 3. Councilperson Jay Duke stated the system has been in since 1961 and to add development without any kind of a plan, "we had better take some action". They want to add to the flowers and good soil.
 4. Mayor Donnetta Skinner inquired if they still wanted to keep flowers in one area.
 5. Ralph Siler stated that would be in a separate area where the plow and wheelbarrow is. The planter would be on the southwest side (Chestnut) at the dimensions noted using only stacked blocks for a retaining wall.
 6. Vice Mayor Lincoln Litchfield inquired who would be tending the garden and flowers.
 7. Ralph Siler replied the seniors would take care of it.
 8. Vice Mayor Lincoln Litchfield inquired if pesticides would be used.
 9. Ralph Siler replied negatively.

10. Vice Mayor Lincoln Litchfield inquired if there would be an ongoing donation for renewal of plants or vegetables.
11. Ralph Siler explained he talked to Ellen Meshefski at Ace Hardware and they would put up a sign when they get the flowers in and as people buy flowers, they could purchase an extra one for the Center. He raises his own vegetable seeds and would provide those.
12. George Kleeb stated he runs the GBC Hook House and he would donate plants. These would be flowers mainly.
13. Vice Mayor Lincoln Litchfield stated he could talk to Ralph Siler directly on this.
14. Councilperson Jay Duke noted it looked like they called the Nevada Department of Health and the Division of Aging, but inquired if there is an inspection process before the vegetables are used.
15. City Clerk LaDawn Lawson stated both told her that fresh produce that is garden grown is okay as long as it is washed properly and prepared under the Aging standards.
16. Councilperson Pam Griswold reported that Ralph Siler has done a very good job researching what was needed. She stated that people could actually buy a brick to defray the cost.
17. Judy Bradshaw noted it would depend on how much the bricks would cost if someone wanted to buy it.
18. Ralph Siler reported the City Manager David Jones worked out the price with no profit to the Ace Hardware. Those items not used can be taken home by the seniors.
19. Councilperson Jay Duke suggested they keep good records and have a planter guide, map of the garden for any questions that might be raised.
20. **Vice Mayor Lincoln Litchfield moved for approval of a request to place a flower planter/vegetable garden at the Carlin Senior Center on the South side, renovate one on the West side of the building, and all related matters. Councilperson Jay Duke seconded the motion. The motion carried.**

III. Review, discussion and possible approval to allow Carlin Crossing LLC. to reallocate and use \$ 150,000.00 of the \$ 380,500.00 referred to as the “Escrow Performance Guarantee” to cover the costs associated with the proposed Infrastructure Bond Financing and all related matters. (Possible Action Item)

1. Paul Tanguay of Carlin Crossing reported one of the biggest challenges has been finding the financing. The number one (1) reason they have not able to get as far along with the improvements is due to this. Financing they have had has either been too expensive or it fell through. In November 2014, they started to look at a concept that many cities across the country, etc, utilize in partnership with their developer and business owner is public bond financing. It includes if sponsored by the City of Carlin and proven by a consultants who make sure the valuation of the project is 3x up to 5x more than what the proposed bond financing would be is collateralized 100% by the land. There is not an obligation to the City. A week ago they held their first introductory meeting on this with City Manager David Jones and Mayor Donnetta Skinner and the initial consultants who are both the proposed financial adviser and proposed counselor. Both have done extensive numbers on all kinds of bond issuances through the last 20 years with cities both small and large, both urban and rural. Wulff Hansen & Company is the financial adviser and Stradling, Yocca Carlson & Rauth, P.C. is the legal adviser. At the meeting they covered the basic outline of how this would work and what the proposed schedule would look like. Today they got the final publication. “This is the compelling reason we have come to you today to access the deposit we have with the City.” He stated the calendars submitted include future council dates that go to July 8, 2015 and the first three entries through March 11, 2015, are where they are currently. “This process is actually managed and approved by the City so City Manager David Jones would assume the responsibility and it is 100% funded by ourselves. There is zero (\$0) cost to the city, but all the funds flow through the city with the financial adviser, who is retained by the City and the Bond Counsel who is also retained by the City or the City’s attorney so that everything is 100%

controlled within the guidelines and regulations, of both the NRS and federal guidelines. If we pass a number of tests that are outlined in this process, such as the proposed workshop these people would work with the Council on April 22, 2015, that would give an overview of the process and an understanding of how the pieces fit together and at the end of that they would introduce one of three amendments called the 1st Draft and Financing Agreement. In short, it provides us and the City with a method to finance the infrastructure, the roadways, NDOT improvement, and everything in the ground when it is improved will eventually be owned by the City. It helps break the stalemate that we have been facing. We are talking to a travel center, a hotel group, which would probably be the first things to happen, to two (2) different builders, two different apartment developers, a stand-alone restaurant and the financing for the vertical construction is much easier” with the infrastructure. “That has been our biggest anxiety and we think this is by far the closest we have come since last year. The second page outlines the key parties”. Carlin Crossing is Marion Hose, and his development partner Michael Barnes. “The Counsel is also the Bond Counsel, who are also retained by the City or City’s attorney and advise the City on all the legalities involved, drafting all of the agreements. The Underwriter and Trustee is where the money is held, which is actually the group that sells the bonds on the public market both of those to be determined, controlled by the City Manager and held in a trustee/escrow account. The consultants are up-front expenses for us. Our project civil engineer may not be involved, depending on what the other independent consultants required of him. There is a potential of water and sewer becoming its own bond district; Lumos and Associates is who we recommended. None of these people have been approved, as 100% of all approval is in the City’s hands. Market Absorption is a group recommended because it is very familiar with Nevada, the Whitney Group and an environmental group for updated environmental studies and engineer who does all the calculations” and all the pertinent data concerning the bonds and finally an appraiser. “If we were to add up all the businesses, all of the homes, average sale prices, average value of the businesses, we have approximately \$200,000,000 - \$250,000,000 total build-out valuation. As developers, we simply sell the sites. I think that is a conservative number. The appraiser then figures out what is worth today and then 5, 10, 15 years out. We think that \$150,000.00 is the number that is required before the bond issuance”.

2. County Commissioner Cliff Eklund inquired if it is a municipal bond.
3. Paul Tanguay replied affirmatively.
4. County Commissioner Cliff Eklund confirmed it would be a Carlin City Municipal Bond. “We do not have the tax base for it. The spending limit on the City of Carlin is 20% of the taxable valuation and our taxable valuation is about \$32 million”.
5. Paul Tanguay stated he is not a bond expert but said his understanding is that the city is currently at 4% of the total 20% and the payments are 100% of the bond burden is on the homeowners and businesses in Carlin Crossing and no one else, including the city.
6. County Commissioner Cliff Eklund inquired, “What happens if we fail; who is responsible, the city?”
7. Paul Tanguay replied, “No that was covered in the beginning”.
8. Councilperson Jay Duke inquired about the timing on that failure.
9. Paul Tanguay stated he does not know and it depends on different criteria, but the only collateral is exclusively on the land itself. He again explained approximately 150 acres purchased on August 28, 2012, was originally by Alex and Marion Hose and now, they may have the ability to close in the future on the remainder for a total of 360 acres on or before December 2016. He stated the deposit would give the developers, Alex and Marion Hose, the incentive to get the deposit when they started developing and there were milestones created during the time by the developers that the Hoses were working with. Obviously they did not make those milestones and he has been working with Carlin for a year now and 2-3 months ago gave a summary of everything that had been done since 2013. They have actually forfeited \$50,000 of that \$430,000.00, so the balance is now \$385,000.00 and there is a water bill from

the initial grading last fall that comes out too. "Today, there is a balance of \$360,000 +- because of this water bill and the proposal to you is that we feel this is by far the best scenario for all parties to get this project out of the ground literally. Instead of having this deposit held, getting it deployed to get this started. Alex and Marion Hose spent over \$3.1 million out of pocket on this project so far and part of the financing woes have been to bring on equity partners with the other issues with the market and difficulty of bringing in institutional investors. We are cash poor at this point; we are not in the position of any more out of pocket and our appeal is to use \$150,000 of that for consultant fees. All of it will be completely audited, negotiated and contracted through the City. We hope that we can prove to you that this is actually the way that we can get started and get everyone driving by and seeing things happen there. The consultants listed added up all consist of \$125-128,000.00. Once the bond issuance goes out, we think August 20, 2015, would be the latest, we think we can shorten this out. We think this is realistic. Sixty days before that issuance, we would know and we could contact the contractors. As they complete certain phases of their work the invoices would be submitted and paid through the bond funds after the City's approval". He noted the water and sewer plan is a separate subject and they are on time.

10. Vice Mayor Lincoln Litchfield inquired about the financial advisers.
11. Paul Tanguay reported they are on a contingency basis and they are not paid until the bond issue is fully funded and only for a little per diem. "We are currently funding all of the expenses. Whatever the money the bond issuance is, the City holds that money until the work is actually done".
12. Discussion was held on Paul Tanguay's association with Symbio Partners and Michael Barnes a principle with Lumos & Associates.
13. Councilperson Jay Duke inquired about the NDOT amount.
14. Paul Tanguay stated he recalled that the last estimate was close to \$500,000.00."Within the bond improvements, a portion of that is added and 100% of the NDOT improvements. Next week we are actually submitting our breakout to Wulff Hansen with proposed financing and then we can strategize on our scheduling and anticipated direction, at that point we would be able to figure the actual amounts. Assessment engineer would then determine how that would be spread over the various uses to verify that there is enough valuation coverage. It has taken us several months to really understand how this works, as this is my first time as well; Michael Barnes has done several of them. There is still quite a process until we get to July and August".
15. Councilperson Jay Duke stated there is no guarantee you are going to get that loan.
16. Paul Tanguay agreed.
17. Councilperson Jay Duke stated one of his concerns are the red flags of Michael Barnes/Lumos and Paul Tanguay.
18. Paul Tanguay replied, "The consultants are recommended; we want to make sure everyone's cards are on the table. I have no affiliation to Lumos".
19. Discussion was held on the delay that could be caused by a non-approval vote.
20. Councilperson Jay Duke suggested they might give a partial draw for a good faith effort.
21. Vice Mayor Lincoln Litchfield stated he agreed, taking the \$150,000.00 of the deposit and this does not go through, it would reflect on our decision. I want to see this thing go as much as everyone else, I am just fearful that you come before us for this amount of money and on March 22, 2015, you come for another amount and the outcome is the land is not developed".
22. County Commissioner Cliff Eklund explained the history the agreement with the original developer was that "if you do not have the money, we do not want to deal with you. They assured us that they had the money, that they had done developments before; this was no first stepper. We have set milestones where they could get the \$430,000.00 at that time. The closing took a long time so by the time we closed, they had missed the first milestone, so that time was adjusted off. They missed the second milestone and we took \$50,000.00 of that".
23. Councilperson Jay Duke stated Paul Tanguay was not involved at that time.

24. County Commissioner Cliff Eklund agreed. Since then just about everything on that contract has changed; nothing has been fulfilled except when they had to tie up the land and they hired a couple of farmers to scrape off the sagebrush. We have made concession after concession including refunding 25% of the capital improvement fees, as well as waging the water and sewer hookups if they do them themselves. This was set up as an insurance policy to protect the City of Carlin, taxpayers and citizens. It was not set up to pay the water bills; it was not set up to do construction, although it would have been funded in proportion to the milestones that are met. If they had followed all of the milestones, they would have had all of the \$360,000.00 back by now. Just remember one thing, if you decide to do this, you are giving up that insurance. I would like to make a suggestion. If you do decide to do this since it has been after concessions all by the City, I think they should probably waive the 25% capital improvement fees that we have agreed to refund them”.
25. Mayor Donnetta Skinner explained. “The reason they were slowed up was not their fault; it was our fault. I think when Alex and Marion came into this project, they came in really intending to have this done and they have tied all of their money into this project. The fact that it was so much more expensive than they expected, that took them by surprise. I think that these people really want this to work; I do not think they are trying to take Carlin, but the financing of this has been a headache for them. They have been upfront with us. I can understand why they are asking for this money to help get this back on the page again. When we did meet, we also met with Wulff Hansen and they were very adamant about it happening. We really have to think about if we want to wait and see what happens or get this done so that they will.
26. Jim Brown clarified, “The bond is going to be 100% financed by Carlin Crossing and that City Manager David Jones would handle this first part of the money. Am I correct?”
27. Paul Tanguay responded affirmatively.
28. Jim Brown inquired, “Who is going to pay for City Manager David Jones time?”
29. Paul Tanguay stated, “We would, whatever can be identified to be cost associated with the bond financing is on us”.
30. County Commissioner Cliff Eklund stated he cannot get it through his head how “you can borrow money and you have to have your name on it. The money can be borrowed and you not be liable for it”.
31. Paul Tanguay stated he is not a bond expert and did speak to the assets that would be turned over to the City, but the bond financing has to be sponsored by the City because it is for the future assets that are going to be owned and maintained by the City. “This is the part with this cast of characters makes it crystal clear that it is to establish and has been used in other states including Nevada. The City of Carlin would join others who has done this over many years. Two more things, I have to say that we are very appreciative of everything that you have done as well as the previous City Council. There are some things that I want to say that are more heartfelt because Alex and Marion Hose have put their family nest egg on the line. To be honest, I am a 35+ year developer and when I joined with them, I realized that they had not been steered correctly or honestly by previous developers. When I looked at everything that they had done and a lot of money they had spent at that time almost a year ago, all of that work had to be completely redone. The milestones in the first contract were not realistic at all. I am not trying to defend that it is still their responsibility, but I am also trying to say what we are looking for now is a solution. Cliff is exactly right; the original deposit and through the different amendments, it has been an insurance policy for the City, but I really question if that insurance policy is maintained with that deposit of what validity is it today compared to what everyone thought it was going to be in terms of the weight of it two (2) years ago. Things have changed and we see this as an opportunity for all parties to win and it is initially the Hose’s money deposited up front. I think the bond actually promotes and delivers on that original insurance policy and the deposit was intended to do. That is my appeal to you. We are going to continue on no matter what, but we appreciate all of your work. We still have resolve that this is a great opportunity”.

32. Linda Bingaman stated, "I think it would be prudent of you to do this. If there are a lot of cities that have done that, go and look and ask the questions".
33. Councilperson Jay Duke stated, "This is similar to a contractor doing the work and it is still an obligation to the contractor. Even with more research, there is not one size fits all here. This is very unique because it is such an ongoing process, has failed in the past?"
34. Public Works Director Carlos Esparza stated that they might want to run this by the City Attorney for the liability. "I was nervous this summer with the water bill as dust control is a large part of our water liability".
35. Mayor Donnetta Skinner stated the attorney that met with them was very protective of the City and it would not be a bad idea to discuss it with the City Attorney.
36. Vice Mayor Lincoln Litchfield stated he also talked to this attorney and inquired what his reaction was to all of the discussion.
37. Paul Tanguay stated, "Scott Shaver, Mark Pressman, and Ben Levine are the experts. Whatever it takes, we support it 100%. This is a big thing for the City and the research. Scott Shaver has worked extensively with Wulff Hansen for the city in other areas in this process and gave a long list of different references and different stories that have worked out, including cities that took this on for the first time. They have a lot of history, he was not recommending but saying to keep an open-minded, consider all of the facts, I am here to help you. He was saying he was going to make sure everything was right and the coverage was right and the financial. The same with the financial adviser. Every indication since Alex, Marion, and I received is that if this actually happens, we are very positive we can go forward and it will happen. If we make it through all the hurdles, the chances are it will be a success. There are a large majority that they quoted have done well, not failed. We felt comfortable because we did not want to bring something to you that is our suggestion; we wanted to bring something to you that had the right experts that represent you".
38. Discussion of tabling until March 25, 2015, was considered and that it would not be a delay.
39. Paul Tanguay stated, "City Manager David Jones has been in the loop for the past 2 months; he has read the qualification statements, etc. I know he already has a fair amount of research".
40. Vice Mayor Lincoln Litchfield stated, "Our city manager is not here and it would be better".
41. Mayor Donnetta Skinner stated City Manager David Jones was given a lot of information at the meeting too.
42. Discussion was held on appointing the broker later.
43. Paul Tanguay stated he would prefer that any lists or other research be obtained from Wulff, etc. because they would be working for the City for transparency.
44. **Councilperson Jay Duke moved to table possible approval to allow Carlin Crossing LLC. to reallocate and use \$150,000.00 of the \$380,500.00 referred to as the "Escrow Performance Guarantee" to cover the costs associated with the proposed Infrastructure Bond Financing and all related matters. Vice Mayor Lincoln Litchfield seconded the motion. The motion carried with Mayor Donnetta Skinner voting in favor.**

IV. Review, discussion and possible approval of a request from George Kleeb for the 2015 Nevada Small Business Development Center (SBDC), and all related matters. (Possible Action Item)

1. George Kleeb, SBDC reported he is present to request a \$1,000.00 for 2015 calendar year and he comes over one afternoon a month to meet with people in Carlin. Everything is confidential, but people who he has counseled in Carlin have reported \$39,500 during 2013 and 2014. This is being accredited again in April and will have the national office in the State of Nevada and they will come out and do our audits. The survey is done throughout the state. "I really appreciate it when you put in your bills I am available for your citizens and I see an increased in counseling. Right now I am working on the closing of a \$300,000 loan in a valley west of Carlin. By the way I also appreciate it and can see an increase when the City puts my flyer in all the Carlin Post Office boxes".
2. Vice Mayor Lincoln Litchfield spoke to the exposure of 12 individuals and 17 hours.

3. **Vice Mayor Lincoln Litchfield moved for approval of a \$1,000.00 request from George Kleeb for the 2015 Nevada Small Business Development Center (SBDC) 2, and all related matters. Councilperson Jay Duke seconded the motion. The motion carried.**

V. Review and discussion of the Newmont Legacy Fund contributions to the Carlin Senior Center in the amount of \$ 27,319.68, and all related matters. (Non-Action Item)

1. Mayor Donnetta Skinner stated this is made up of employee donations assigned to certain entities through the Newmont Legacy Fund and the Carlin Senior's portion was a total \$27,319.68.
2. Councilperson Pam Griswold stated she would like some publicity pictures on this.
3. Vice Mayor Lincoln Litchfield thanked the Newmont employees who have signed up to donate to the Senior Citizens and the Newmont Legacy Fund who match their donations.

VI. Review, discussion and possible approval for an annual liquor license for the Carlin Volunteer Fire Department LLC., and all related matters. (Possible Action Item)

1. Linda Bingaman stated they apply every year for the liquor license to cover the April 18, 2015, Spring Fling and for the September 2015, Chili Cook-Off.
2. Councilperson Jay Duke inquired about background checks.
3. Linda Bingaman replied, Karla Jones and herself.
4. Vice Mayor Lincoln Litchfield stated he only has a concern with liquor stored at the Fire Department just because of appearances. He would prefer it was done at another place.
5. Linda Bingaman stated only chief officer has the master key. She stated they could paint the glass.
6. Discussion was held on another site for the locked cabinet.
7. Councilperson Pam Griswold stated she had no problem but would like some research on doing something with the cabinet and coming back later to report.
8. **Vice Mayor Lincoln Litchfield moved for approval for an annual liquor license for the Carlin Volunteer Fire Department LLC., and for a solution of the locked cabinet to store the beer in and all related matters. Councilperson Pam Griswold seconded the motion. The motion carried.**

VII. Review, discussion and possible approval of the minutes from 1/14/2015 and 1/28/2015, and all related matters. (Possible Action Item)

1. Mayor Donnetta Skinner pointed out page 5, line 7, "4 years everyone will be learning together".
2. **Councilperson Pam Griswold moved for approval of the minutes from 1/14/2015 as corrected and 1/28/2015 as presented, and all related matters. Vice Mayor Lincoln Litchfield seconded the motion. The motion carried with three in favor and two opposed.**

VIII. Review, discussion and possible approval of payments for the periods 2/25/2015 to 3/11/2015, and all related matters. (Possible Action Item)

1. **Councilperson Jay Duke moved for approval of payments for the periods 2/25/2015 to 3/11/2015, and all related matters. Councilperson Lincoln Litchfield seconded the motion. The motion carried.**

IX. 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 Pam Griswold reported she attended the Senior Center meeting where it was approved to change the bylaws for Senior Board meeting to the first Thursday of every month at 9:00 a.m. and there will be a few more bylaw changes that would be brought to the Council. Park

& Rec is working on the budget and going ahead with the Sho N Shine and there is a possible problem with the drag race as to insurance, but they will be checking on this further. They discussed the lack of communication between Park & Rec and Public Works, which Jon Gift will become the liaison and will bring a list of priorities to Public Works.

2. Public Works Director Carlos Esparza stated “it is not a communication problem, it is not liking the information problem”.
3. Councilperson Pam Griswold reported the Little League Softball Tournament will be held in Elko and they do not have enough fields so they will be bussing people to Carlin to use the fields.
4. Vice Mayor Lincoln Litchfield stated he would contact someone to see if there is any help with the insurance. He reported the Planning Commission did not have a quorum so Title 3 would be pushed back one more month. He met with the Karla Jones and Robert Jess at the Fire Department. He gave the history of the Fire Chief and the assistants. He stated the Carlin Volunteer Fire Department bylaws were changed in 2011 to change from a 1 year to a 5 year position, which was supposed to be voted on. In 2011 the Board of Trustees were to be nominated by the Fire Chief and then brought to the membership for approval. This was to be 5 years and the Board of Trustees is to have 6 members and 4 are deceased. There has not been a nomination or approval in 2011 and in 2015 the election of the Fire Chief the procedure was not followed. People called and received information that was not accurate. This was the first time that anyone had run against Will Johnston. Accordingly all nominations were to go on the white board and would come off the board on the final election which was the 4th Monday of March. The names were Will Johnston, Linda Bingaman, Tom Bingaman, Roger Curry, Nathan Rogers, Mike Abram, Karla Jones, David Jones, and Kevin Grodi. There were four (4) who took their names off that night Karla, Dave, Tom B. and Kevin. According to the LLC, there are no qualifications for the Chief. The procedure was to be an election on the 4th Monday of February; the Board of Trustees were to be notified the following day; there were supposed to be 6, but there were only 2. The Board of Trustees were to deliberate for a month, bring the findings back to the membership on the 4th Monday of March and then to the Council for official appointment. The Council can accept this person or the one of their choosing. The voting results should never have been released before the Board of Trustees did their job and brought these to the Council. Who released the vote prior to the City Council? “It is my opinion that the procedures for the Carlin Fire Department were not followed and qualifications need to be written for the Fire Chief of Carlin. I believe there have been some issues that need to be corrected and I will be working on those issues and each issue will be reported to the Council. Because of the inconsistencies in the Fire Department, we can take a number of different directions. We can leave everything as it was prior to the February election; 2) accept the vote of the membership or 3) appoint a fire chief of the Council’s choosing. I realize this is a touchy decision; however we need to assure that the safety and protection of the Carlin citizens is foremost. With that being said, it is my opinion that we form a committee and have two or more people decide the issues. This has the City in an uproar right now and we need to address it and bring it back to the Council”.
5. Councilperson Jay Duke stated the fire code states it could be someone outside of the Fire Department.
6. Vice Mayor Lincoln Litchfield agreed.
7. Jim Brown requested Vice Mayor Lincoln Litchfield’s report.
8. Councilperson Jay Duke stated he has some news on the Lander County appointment on the NNRDA Board who is with the Battle Mountain Office of Development.
9. Police Chief Dennis Fobes reported they are shorthanded and he is hiring a part-time person, Larry Robb, who started his career in Carlin. They had 9 applicants for an open position with testing on April 4, 2015.
10. Mayor Donnetta Skinner reported Tony the injured hawk is going to the school and the senior center on Wednesday the 18th. She attended the Elko Fair & Rec Board meeting in Elko and they are writing a check for \$11,339.10. She thanked the City Crew for taking care of the complaints on an immediate basis.

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

1. She reported the Audit is almost completed. She stated they are taking applications at the office for an assistant city clerk.

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

1. None.

XII. 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. Jackie Wiscombe reported Paul Bradshaw and she own the property on 950 Tuscarora and there is some talk that we were going to do a development. We are not; we just want to sell 2 acres. Because of this, there was a curb, gutter, and sidewalk issue and water questions raised. Because of these issues we lost a buyer. I am asking for a water right-of-way across the top of 14th Street, 171 feet and then I am asking to waive the curb, gutter, and sidewalk along the frontage of Tuscarora Street, 430 feet.
9. Vice Mayor Lincoln Litchfield stated this is still a dirt road.
10. Jackie Wiscombe stated the road goes nowhere and there is a tree that grows in the southbound lane. I am asking for approval of a septic system as the state said they would issue a permit; there are no sewer lines that border that area.
11. Public Works Director Carlos Esparza stated they are zoned rural residential and would not require curb, gutter, and sidewalk. On the others I refer you to City Engineer Tom Ballew for answers.
12. Jackie Wiscombe stated he told her to come to the Council.
13. Public Works Director Carlos Esparza stated City Engineer Tom Ballew has to draw the right-of-way out and officially sign off on that before it comes to the Council. The sewer will not be an issue. If City Engineer Tom Ballew approves the water, "we would be willing to do it".
14. Councilperson Jay Duke spoke to the requirements.
15. Mayor Donnetta Skinner stated Ms. Wiscombe needs to take her information to City Engineer Tom Ballew before the Council can address it.
16. Public Works Director Carlos Esparza stated City Engineer Tom Ballew has the final say as City Engineer.
17. Lisa Brown inquired about the 250 homes in the development and asked if the school had been addressed for this expansion.
18. Mayor Donnetta Skinner stated the school told her a few years ago when addressing this that it was not their problem. She stated there have been ongoing problems with the school system.
19. Kathy Burney stated they might not have families as buyers of the homes if the school is not ready.
20. Councilperson Jay Duke stated there is still room in the classes at present.

XIII. Adjournment. (Possible Action Item)

Councilperson Jay Duke moved for adjournment with Vice Mayor Lincoln Litchfield seconding the motion. The meeting was adjourned at 8:55 p.m.

APPROVED:

DONNETTA SKINNER, MAYOR

ATTEST:

CITY CLERK LADAWN LAWSON