

CARLIN CITY COUNCIL
CITY OF CARLIN, STATE OF NEVADA
EMERGENCY MEETING
CARLIN PUBLIC WORKS OFFICE
810 Oak Street
Carlin, Nevada
November 3, 2015, 11:00 a.m.

Call to Order and Roll Call:

Mayor Donnetta Skinner called the meeting of the City Council to order at 11:00 a.m.

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

1. Administrative Staff: City Manager David Jones, City Clerk LaDawn Lawson, Public Works Director Carlos Esparza, Roger Curry and Mike Abrams Carlin Fire Department, Linda Bingaman Carlin Fire Chief
2. Present: Ralph Siler, Mike Griswold, Marley Robinson, Spencer Egbert and Layla Walz, WREC.

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, discussion and possible approval of declaring a state of emergency for the City of Carlin related to the unusual heavy snowfall under NRS 241.020 (8) and all related matters. (Possible Action Item)**
 1. City Manager David Jones inquired if Councilperson Pam Griswold had anything to report.
 2. Councilperson Pam Griswold reported she talked to Bill Collins they have part of one line energized that is taking care of the gas stations, the Post Office, WREC office and anything down below us that is not working and the eastbound rail for the railroad is down because the power lines hanging 15.5', which means this would take out everything. WREC has crews working on it now and when they get that done, they will try to get Line 1 energized as far as they can. Line 2 and Line 3 they have no idea. It could be anywhere from partial maybe at 4:00 p.m. to a couple of days.
 3. Councilperson Jay Duke stated the people will not know what line they are on so I think it is important for us to isolate those areas to give as much of an accurate update as we can.
 4. Councilperson Pam Griswold stated she is trying to call her guys and they are not responding to radios.
 5. Councilperson Jay Duke stated people are going to want to know and we have to have some answers.
 6. Councilperson Pam Griswold stated she is getting updates as they come in, so she will let City Manager David Jones and the Council know.
 7. Mayor Donnetta Skinner stated that Bill Collins said not to expect it for 4 days, just in case it takes that long.

8. Councilperson Pam Griswold stated they have every available resource working on it. The trees are snapping; they get part of it fixed and then another part is down.
9. Councilperson Bob DeMars stated the residents needs to let WREC and Public Works do their job and stay out of the way.
10. Councilperson Pam Griswold noted they are telling people when they call if they have trees over their lines, we are putting them through to CRC dispatch and they send out the crews and they are making a list. I think there were 6 that came to the office. There was one man who was trying to help people clean up the debris and taking it off.
11. Councilperson Jay Duke stated it is important that people do not compromise what is already in place. Since they are coming into Councilperson Pam Griswold's office, if they are cleaning up, are they cognizant of what is above them, because things are still falling. There are two crews in town that City Manager David Jones arranged from the Honor Camp and we do not want to compromise their effort, because these are large crews and Public Works Director Carlos Esparza has given each crew a trailer and they are doing a good job of cleaning up. We do not want anyone to get in their way either.
12. Councilperson Pam Griswold stated this young man was helping people clean up the debris. People have called and asked if they should take the limbs off their lines. She is cautioning them not to.
13. Mayor Donnetta Skinner stated, people with house phones cannot call out.
14. Councilperson Bob DeMars inquired how does WREC let everyone know they are working and they are going to energize the lines.
15. City Manager David Jones suggested that maybe Layla Walz could coordinate with our services and have the police run through the town on a PA, as well as the Fire Department with their PA to announce.
16. Layla Walz explained that is a good solution but it might delay the restoral time. Part of troubleshooting is in fact turning it on and seeing if it cleared everything or if there are further damages. We are also seeing a lot of damage that is not necessarily on WREC's system. We have services pulled from homes and we are trying to determine what to do about that. Can we put those up and get a building permit after the fact?
17. City Manager David Jones stated those are valid questions and that is what the meeting is about. We do not have a great answer at this moment.
18. Layla Walz stated the message needs to be "you do not know if the line is energized and you need to call Coop and stay away from it".
19. Councilperson Jay Duke inquired if anything at the Dupont plant is compromised.
20. Marley Robinson of Dupont said he is looking at freeze protection. We are down right now.
21. Councilperson Jay Duke inquired do you have 30% caustic?
22. Marley Robinson noted he does not have any heat or power for the heater in his tank or process lines.
23. Councilperson Jay Duke inquired if he was looking at generators or what is it going to take.
24. Marley Robinson stated he has no idea what they are going to have to do. If it is going to be 3-4 days, then I am going to have to look for a solution.
25. Spencer Egbert inquired if we can identify the places or things that have to be up or sort of functioning that we can work towards those areas. Work on other areas as well, but make sure that things that should be up are functional.
26. City Manager David Jones stated the he and Public Works Director Carlos Esparza got together this morning and we discussed that.
27. Public Works Director Carlos Esparza stated, I believe the Industrial Park area is okay for now, is that correct. That was our big concern. The water system is not backed up, but almost everything else critical is.
28. City Manager David Jones inquired at what point are we going to have to start refueling all of our backup generator sets.

29. Public Works Director Carlos Esparza stated, "Before the end of shifts we will start checking. We will probably have to top everything off".
30. City Manager David Jones suggested that to expedite that process, could they call Thomas Petroleum and have them roll in a tank wagon to do this.
31. Public Works Director Carlos Esparza stated that would help a lot.
32. City Manager David Jones stated they could do it in a fraction of the time it would take the city.
33. Public Works Director Carlos Esparza stated the other issue is that with the prisoners working on the tree cleanup, "we are still going to have to hire some tree people to come in. They do not have a boom truck; there are a lot of branches that are on the verge of coming down. It is very dangerous even after we have picked up the debris on the ground. We are not equipped for that".
34. City Manager David Jones stated, "Especially working around power lines, those guys do not have the training for that; we do not have the insulated booms on our trucks. We do not need to be doing that.
35. Public Works Director Carlos Esparza stated he would like to call a few tree people as soon as possible to get them to come out.
36. City Manager David Jones explained, "If we can declare a state of emergency, because we did not foresee this; we did not budget for this and that could help us out later in the budgeting process so that we can get that augmented later and have compliance with the State of Nevada.
37. **Councilperson Jay Duke moved for approval of declaring a state of emergency for the City of Carlin related to the unusual heavy snowfall under NRS 241.020 (8) and all related matters. Councilperson Bob DeMars seconded the motion. The motion carried with Mayor Donnetta Skinner and Councilperson Pam Griswold voting in favor.**
38. Councilperson Pam Griswold stated WREC is going to be functional, but will need help.
39. City Manager David Jones inquired, "At what point do we call this good, in other words, are we going to go in and make everyone's yard safe and cleanup or is it going to be public right-of-ways, etc. What is the Council's pleasure? Does making the town safe mean going yard to yard."
40. Councilperson Jay Duke stated we have identified the critical areas that need power to maintain fire service, emergency call outs and communications. That same approach is how we identify the part of town that could compromise the City in those areas or inhibit us in any way and focus on those areas secondarily helping where we can. It is really like WREC who has a primary function in town and cannot go help me because I have a power line in my yard from the pole to the house. Their primary function is the main lines".
41. Councilperson Pam Griswold stated WREC is not responsible for secondary line, so even in the summer when people call us about a tree limb that is close to their power line, that is up to the property owner to take it down or hire somebody to keep the secondary lines clear. There are instances of the boxes pulled from the homes. Those will have to be done by an electrician to put those back up. We have two electricians here right now helping the line crews to get power back to the houses".
42. Councilperson Jay Duke stated that Councilperson Pam Griswold can help the City by making the property owners understand that becomes a permitting process. It is not going to be cumbersome, but make sure they know it has to be inspected.
43. Councilperson Pam Griswold stated, "That is why Layla is saying that we will have it inspected after, having the permits before hand".
44. Public Works Director Carlos Esparza stated, "It depends on who is doing the work. There are certain contractors that we are going to want to watch and then there are some that we do not have to second guess that their work is going to be up to standards.
45. Mayor Donnetta Skinner stated she worries that people on the oxygen who need the power. What are you going to do with them".
46. Spencer Egbert stated, from his point of view, that is a mandatory service they need and we do have our electricians in town that if the Council decides to expedite the permitting process and

they can put it up and give you a red line drawing, because after the fact those would be the people you need to figure out who needs it. If their electrical or house has been damaged, send the electricians there first to make sure they have what they need. Then if you have somewhere in town where you house people who cannot get power, make sure that area has power and it is going to be able to take oxygen”.

47. City Manager David Jones stated, “Right now we do not have a facility to even house people or keep them warm. The Senior Center and the churches are both without power, the school and the fire station also. This is the only municipal building that actually has power. So we are in between a rock and a hard place to decide where the power is going to come up first”.
48. Councilperson Jay Duke stated, “Make a decision, focus your crews in that area to clear whatever they need to, so you can get that building to actually house people”.
49. City Manager David Jones stated, “Part of it, it is ignorance on our part, when you say line 1. It is not like I-80 that I travel every day. I am not familiar with your system”.
50. Layla Walz replied, “If you tell us , this is what we need, we can get our line crews to come in and say these area that has to be cleared and then we can energize here”.
51. City Manager David Jones stated that they were working on Line 1 this morning at 5:00 a.m. and they were going to get it partially restored. Then they were going to continue to work on it and simultaneously work on Line 3. If we get Line 3 up, we may bring up one of our major churches, the Senior Center, clinic, library, which are all areas that we can use. We are looking to you for as much advice, information and feedback that we can get so we can start coordinating, getting this out on social media and supplies, calling people and maybe we are going to have to go door-to-door. Some of the telephones are not going to work now if they are plug in and have no power”.
52. Councilperson Jay Duke inquired, “Who is the main contact of WREC and we have not instigated an ICS system yet, do you have phone numbers we can coordinate city help with Wells help with public help. Do we have main contacts with numbers?”
53. Layla Walz stated she would recommend working through Spencer Egbert simply because we want the crew working on the lines, not answering the phone.
54. City Manager David Jones stated, Councilperson Jay Duke brought up a perfect point here. I do not think we have implemented the ICS system and we ought to get that rolling now. Suggestion is that it needs to be a joint ICS system, meaning WREC, Public Services person, Council member”.
55. Mike Abrams stated the Senior Center is a good option to get up for the simple fact that we are going to be taxed this evening when they run out of oxygen, heat”.
56. Councilperson Jay Duke stated maybe you get together and identify those critical areas. We need and the homebound will need food.
57. Roger Curry stated we have gone around and the ones we know of and we had their folks call relatives. The ones that we made contact with are on oxygen right now.
58. Mayor Donnetta Skinner inquired how long will the oxygen last.
59. Linda Bingaman stated it depends on how much they have.
60. Roger Curry stated the next priority is heat.
61. Councilperson Jay Duke inquired if they need to call the suppliers, such as Lincare and so forth. Do you have a backup supply for Carlin? If we cannot get power up and we have to stay on portable supply”.
62. Roger Curry stated all the people he has contacted and suggested that call the supplier to make sure they have enough bottles on hand and at this time, they do. It has been strongly suggested that they do not depend on the power for a day or two.
63. City Manager David Jones stated, “So let’s build some redundancy in this. I have no idea who you contacted.
64. Roger Curry stated we did not write a list, we just mainly as a quick emergency made sure that they had it.
65. Councilperson Pam Griswold stated through WREC system they can go through and anybody

- who has told us they are on oxygen, we have it documented, so we should be able to pull those leads up and contact them. If you do get services up at the senior center, we can contact them and let them know there will be heat up there, electricity, until power is established”.
66. Mike Abrams stated, “I have a crew doing welfare checks of those that we know just to make sure that they are okay, sidewalk cleanup. We have single women we are checking on some of the elderly, but we do not know everybody.”
 67. Councilperson Jay Duke stated they need to get Deb Beck, Senior Center director, involved.
 68. Roger Curry stated that is good so that we are not all doing the same thing.
 69. Mayor Donnetta Skinner stated they need to check on younger people too.
 70. Councilperson Pam Griswold stated that people who are calling today, should consider alternative arrangements for elderly or small children, such as the hotel or motel.
 71. Mike Abrams stated when it starts getting cold, we are going to get taxed so we need to make arrangements to get the people where it is warm and where they have food, and some type of shelter.
 72. Councilperson Pam Griswold stated she is afraid if it gets cold the trees are going to start snapping because we will not be done.
 73. Roger Curry stated we are going to get a spot weather report for this local area any time after 2:00 p.m. to see what the new weather update is going to be from the national weather service for winds, temperature. I am hoping to have that around 2:00 p.m. to 3:00 p.m. It is supposed to be worse tomorrow because the tail end of the storm is coming through. That is why I requested a spot weather check to see what it is going to be.
 74. Councilperson Pam Griswold stated she was told another weather occurrence is supposed to follow this one and it could drop up to 6 inches.
 75. Mike Abrams stated, “6 - 8 inches, 30 mph winds and 19°”.
 76. Councilperson Jay Duke stated it would be above freezing during the day and dipping down into the high teens in the evenings.
 77. Layla Walz stated they have “All hands on deck from Wendover, Wells and Carlin. They are all working to get this up”.
 78. Councilperson Jay Duke inquired if they are going to have someone in the WREC office to field calls and someone making a list.
 79. Mike Abrams stated we are both here for the day. I will be going around to make sure our line crews have food, water, everything they need and then both of us can be contacted and we can work with Councilperson Pam Griswold in the office.
 80. Councilperson Pam Griswold stated our main thing is that if anyone calls to tell there is a line down, we refer them to CRC dispatch who takes down all the information and sends out whatever crew is closest to the area. Therefore we are not mishandling something. Our crews will respond to CRC.
 81. Layla Walz stated they also have the ability if calls are overflowing in Carlin, they ring over as well.
 82. Mayor Donnetta Skinner stated the problem we have is there are too many people who are not on cell phone and cannot call anybody. I think 3/4 of the seniors do not have any cell phones.
 83. Councilperson Jay Duke stated, “Give us a number”.
 84. Councilperson Pam Griswold stated land lines are working.
 85. Layla Walz stated unless they have plug in phones, which will not work either.
 86. Mike Griswold suggested if you are worried about the medical center and the library, call Ahern and get a portable generator to hook into your line so the power goes straight to the building and that way you are set up.
 87. Councilperson Jay Duke stated it would take a 7,500 watt generator to run refrigerator, freezer, heater and that is just the minimum.
 88. Public Works Director Carlos Esparza stated that it takes a pretty big generator for the senior center.
 89. Mike Griswold stated if you hook into the main part, you can turn off the freezer. You have the

- WREC crew here who would know how to do that. That way you are ready.
90. Councilperson Pam Griswold stated the main thing is to get a place to keep them warm and I have been telling everyone to call relatives or go to a hotel, especially since we have no idea when the power is going to be back up. Do not open the freezers and refrigerators and if the doors are not opened, the meat is going to keep.
 91. City Manager David Jones stated, "At some time it is going to become critical, because we have no heat and the pipes are going to start freezing. I do not think that is today or tonight, but tomorrow it could be. I don't know how many feeds are up there, but it may take 3 generators to do that because they could be on separate feeds.
 92. Mike Griswold stated his thought is to get them up and running then you are not out anything, but if you get up against a wall...it gets dark here shortly.
 93. Councilperson Pam Griswold stated if they are placed then someone could get them going.
 94. Mike Griswold noted, "Especially before someone else gets them".
 95. Spencer Egbert noted he had just talked to the line crew and that the high school should be up shortly. "Line 1 will be done shortly and an update on Line 3 will be given in 1-2 hours. They looked at Line 3 and there are not a lot of trees surrounding that, that it will be a fairly simple fix. I cannot guarantee anything at this point. If it is, they might have that up when they call us in a few hours. That would give you the Senior Citizen's Center".
 96. Councilperson Pam Griswold stated they could contact the Fire Department and have the places that available to go on the reader board".
 97. Layla Walz stated if they have a list, they could make contact.
 98. Discussion was held on the ICS system.
 99. Councilperson Jay Duke stated it is important to get a contact in each of those areas and that should happen now.
 100. Councilperson Pam Griswold stated WREC has the capacity to actually go through the phone system and call everybody who is on their system. The message can be changed fairly easily.
 101. City Manager David Jones stated one of the problems is people stopping the workers to tell them all of their problems, slowing down the progress. Public safety could come in and start educating everyone. The crews do not have the time to go around.
 102. Layla Walz stated a lot of it is troubleshooting the line.
 103. City Manager David Jones inquired if the Chief Bingaman could go from door to door to get an assessment and prevent a problem if the crews come to cut a limb without having full knowledge of the situation and possibly burn some residence down.
 104. Spencer Egbert noted anything considered secondary is from the meter to the house.
 105. Mike Abrams stated they know of 4 residences that had their power box torn off.
 106. Lyala Walz stated they need to have the power cut at the connection.
 107. Councilperson Pam Griswold requested that the people call the WREC office if their power is off.
 108. Roger Curry inquired about the calling system.
 109. Linda Bingaman stated it would call 3 times, leave a message if there is no answer, and continue to try for a total of 3 attempts.
 110. City Manager David Jones stated what if it goes from transformer to side of the house and the meter is mounted on the house and the weather head is under the eaves and the line is laying on the ground.
 111. Spencer Egbert stated that is primary. The crew will only tie to the weather head because they do not have the skill set or license to go into the meter panel. That's where our electricians come in. If there are people that have to have power today, that are going to be on one of these lines that we get up, we need to know that to get an electrician over there because they have to run to Elko to get parts and get that done before it gets dark.
 112. Councilperson Jay Duke noted they could help by getting the parts for the workers and not take them so they can stay the jobs.
 113. Spencer Egbert stated if there are 4 or 8, they can look at them and get all of them done today

and save taking many trips. If we can get the critical ones we can get those back up.

114. Councilperson Pam Griswold stated that could be a catastrophe.
115. Spencer Egbert stated that could be major, because we do not have the manpower to handle something that big.
116. Councilperson Jay Duke stated, “concerning going to town, they have shut down I-80 again because of the wreck.
117. Layla Walz stated, “For clarification, let us know what you want us to do for the electrician’s services which would require permits typically. Do you want us to file those after the fact?”
118. Councilperson Jay Duke stated, “After the fact”.
119. Spencer Egbert stated they will not just start connecting, they will do some trouble shooting first and so if someone has to get materials and come back. We can draw the permit after or have your person inspect it. If there are not that many, it will not be a big deal. We will prioritize. The permit process could come later.
120. City Manager David Jones stated whoever the electrician is, they have to report to Public Works and notify us that they are in town and they are working on a specific residence. That way we have expanded control. We can then track what we need to inspect, permit, and provides a check and a balance. If you have questions about a certain company, maybe those need to be inspected prior to being heated up”.
121. Councilperson Pam Griswold stated they appreciate the city’s confidence in WREC electricians, but it may be a while before we get to some and would like to know who the questionable electricians are.
122. Public Works Director Carlos Esparza stated it would have to be inspected before they could do any work. The permitting can come after.
123. Mike Abrams stated ALL of them are inspected before we heat them back up.
124. City Manager David Jones stated any electrical company that comes to town under these circumstances needs to register with Public Works before doing any work. If they have not registered with them and they are performing work, prior to heating it up, you need to check with Public Works Director Carlos Esparza.
125. Lyla Walz stated that company needs to understand that if the service is down before they get here and that is not a guarantee that the service will be up and it is disconnected from the transformer.
126. Councilperson Jay Duke stated there have been a lot of electricians in town who are not licensed.
127. City Manager David Jones stated it is ultimately about the safety and welfare of the people.
128. Public Works Director Carlos Esparza stated he would like to close the parks until further notice because of the trees and they will be the last on the list for us. We can refer that to the Police Department.
129. Councilperson Jay Duke stated, “Could WREC and the School District will help get the calls done and the Fire Department will put it on the reader-board.
130. City Manager David Jones inquired how long the crews would work.
131. Layla Walz stated the line foremen would call and take it on a per person basis, basically they work until the problem is resolved.
132. City Manager David Jones stated that WREC cannot have those workers commute another 2-3 hours after getting off a shift. Have you made arrangements to get them housing?
133. Layla Walz stated they would check on that for the crews from Wendover and Wells.
134. City Manager David Jones stated realistically is it 3-4 days on this.
135. Public Works Director Carlos Esparza stated there is a crew coming today from Battle Mountain and 2 crews from Salt Lake City tomorrow. He will coordinate with WREC on that.
136. Councilperson Jay Duke inquired who is going to contact the actual people if they cannot get this done, mainly those people who Mayor Donnetta Skinner mentioned.
137. City Manager David Jones stated they would address that in the ICS portion and that is going to

- be handled by the Fire Department, Ambulance or Police, i.e. public safety.
138. Councilperson Jay Duke inquired who is going to be the scribe for this.
 139. City Manager David Jones stated, City Clerk LaDawn Lawson. Robert Jess will update the reader-board.
 140. Mike Abrams stated someone mentioned food and he noted Senior Center, LDS Church, and the Bishop in Carlin he will contact.
 141. Councilperson Jay Duke stated he would be the liaison from the City on the ICS board.
 142. Linda Bingaman stated she would represent the fire department and stay in Carlin to start it today.
 143. City Manager David Jones inquired if Spencer Egbert and Layla Walz both would be here for today or part of it. He suggested Public Works Director Carlos Esparza.
 144. Councilperson Jay Duke stated they would need representatives for the NDF camp, School District and Elko County.
 145. City Manager David Jones inquired where they sit in the emergency process, noting he reached out to Roger Bledsoe Elko Fire, Dan Allred Chair for Lexus, Wayne Carlson POOL/PACT and actually involved Department of Emergency Management in the process to have them on standby. We have calls out to all of them and they have not called yet. Annette Kerr is dealing with some of those. Brian Burgess is with the FFA and in the middle of an inspection with the airport. He noted they need a motion on the building permits. Amend the process of restoring power under these emergency conditions and just lay out the parameters. You have to report to Public Works prior to doing any work or to the Building Department prior to any electrical work, need to tell us the address you are working on, extent of the work and that a permit is coming.
 146. City Clerk LaDawn Lawson stated if they go through Public Works, the City would have a list they can follow up with.
 147. Councilperson Jay Duke stated, "The process is really simple and all we have to do is educate the public".
 148. Councilperson Pam Griswold stated the licensed contractors need to be contacted.
 149. Layla Walz stated "A lot of things are going to be visible from outside and potentially on the transformer side of the meter, in which case the line crew is not going to do an inspection".
 150. Councilperson Pam Griswold requested they write down addresses and contact WREC with the ones that are visible to the local.
 151. Roger Curry agreed to do that.
 152. Mike Abrams stated 4 have been identified, but there are a ton of lines on the ground.
 153. Layla Walz stated they would probably hear a lot about the trees on the lines, which are not necessarily power lines, but phone or cable lines.
 154. Mike Abrams stated most of the ones he was called on were cable or phone.
 155. Mayor Donnetta Skinner stated there are a lot of heavy large branches in doorsteps, etc.
 156. Mike Abrams stated he has two crews out working on that right now.
 157. Layla Walz inquired what is being done with the debris.
 158. City Manager David Jones stated it is coming down to the pile at Public Works and it will be extensive, but today is just to get it cleaned up and the town back online.
 159. Mike Abrams stated he told his crews to clean a walkway and get them an entrance and exit out of the house.
 160. Councilperson Jay Duke stated that some of the crews have been held up by several pickups taking trash. We advertise it is going to be more than 2 blocks worth and become congested.
 161. City Manager David Jones stated one of our rigs simply goes to the head of the line.
 162. Councilperson Jay Duke stated he told them to let the bigger crews in and park out of the way.
 163. Bob Bratcher inquired about the area where there has been a bonfire.
 164. City Manager David Jones stated that is not something the City is affiliated with in any way and is not permitted.
 165. Mike Abrams stated right now they are pulling it into the roundhouse yard or wherever they can

- get it now. People are pulling tree limbs anywhere they can get out of the way.
166. City Manager David Jones stated, “Unfortunately, we are going to have to go behind them to clean this up at some future point.
 167. Mayor Donnetta Skinner stated there really is no other choice.
 168. Councilperson Pam Griswold stated she would not like to see it in Mary’s Wash
 169. Mayor Donnetta Skinner stated they need to check on these people and make sure they are taken care of for the night.
 170. Lyla Walz is hearing from the all the crews that the primary lines will all be up by the end of the day, maybe damage to secondary service for electricians.
 171. Linda Bingaman stated they should have a safe place for the people just in case there is a problem.
 172. **Councilperson Pam Griswold moved to delay issuing permits the extenuating circumstances, that electrical contractors call Public Works prior to work done, and permits will be issued after work is done and before the electrical has been energized and final inspections before the lines are energized. Councilperson Jay Duke seconded the motion. The motion carried.**
 173. **Councilperson Pam Griswold moved to authorize Public Works Director Carlos Esparza to use the police department and reader-board to alert the public the parks and cemetery are closed due to dangerous circumstances until Public Works deems them accessible. Councilperson Bob DeMars seconded the motion. The motion carried.**
 174. Roger Curry stated they could contact the Red Cross for assistance.
 175. Councilperson Pam Griswold stated the press release should come from the Mayor.
 176. City Manager David Jones stated Annette Kerr, Elko County Sheriff’s Department, just called and she will update them and the County Commission on what has been discussed here.
 177. Officer Floyd Davey stated they started at 8:00 p.m. last night and “between the police and fire we were jumping between calls. We had just about everyone on duty. For the most part Fire Department did a fantastic job”.
 178. Public Works Director Carlos Esparza inquired if they still wanted the Planning Board meeting tomorrow night.
 179. City Manager David Jones agreed and thanked everyone for their attendance and assistance.

III. 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. None

IV. Adjournment. (Possible Action Item)

Councilperson Pam Griswold moved for adjournment with Councilperson Bob DeMars seconding the motion. The meeting was adjourned at 12:14 p.m.

APPROVED:

DONNETTA SKINNER, MAYOR

ATTEST:

CITY CLERK LADAWN LAWSON