

CARLIN CITY COUNCIL  
CITY OF CARLIN, STATE OF NEVADA  
REGULAR MEETING  
CARLIN MUNICIPAL COURT ROOM  
101 S 8<sup>th</sup> Street  
Carlin, NV  
October 7, 2015, 7:00 p.m.

**Call to Order and Roll Call:**

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

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

Absent: Councilperson Bob DeMars  
Councilperson Jay Duke

1. Administrative Staff: City Manager David Jones, City Clerk LaDawn Lawson, Public Works Director Carlos Esparza, Police Chief Dennis Fobes, City Attorney Bob Goicoechea
2. Present: David Pulley, Chris Woster, Mike Tangreen, Tom Burney, Kathy Burney, Karla Jones, Anna Dean, Floyd Davey, Doug Martin, Paul Tanguay, and Ben Stevens.

**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. Paul Tanguay, Carlin Crossing, LLC., reported on September 22 he sent an update to the City Manager David Jones. "I just wanted to check in and see if there were any questions or other items I could address about the project".
2. Councilperson Pam Griswold inquired if everything was running on time.
3. Paul Tanguay stated "the first phase of consultants took a little bit longer than they thought and they are actually working through the last report, which is the assessment engineer and that has been resolved now. When we found out about the potential of a pretty nasty winter and the funding coming around November or December, we did not want to get funds and start paying interest on the funds until we could actually use those in construction. We have set up everything for the spring thaw around March or as soon as the weather allows".
4. Mayor Donnetta Skinner inquired if they would be able to start early if they had the same weather as last year's.
5. Paul Tanguay stated they would be ready in January.
6. Officer Floyd Davey reported year to date 3,770 calls with 400 calls in September and the past 2 weeks there have been 200. Conducted 61 traffic stops down about 30-40 from the previous weeks. Issued 14 citations, participated in 13 agency assists, bulk of which were medical, a couple with NHP and 1 structure fire. Up substantially are 13 arrests, each taking 1 ½ - 2 hours or more, 3 were warrants, 4 were misdemeanors and 6 felony. 14 reports initiated, 1 DUI. 20 calls for code enforcement, issued 10 warnings, 5 citations. 19 canines were entered into the pound and 18 released. 1 is held for safekeeping from one of the arrests made. 15 hours of canine training. Bulk of our work was a search warrant on a residence. They netted a substantial amount of narcotics. We have several significant charges from that search warrant. We seized 54 grams of methamphetamine, over 6 lbs of marijuana, 593 pills and a little bit of heroin. We assisted with a structure fire. We actually had NHP help us on a pretty serious call, shots fired in the area of Pilot where a person was struck with a bullet. They were here in 13-

14 minutes, which was quick. A huge thank you to NHP. We responded and are assisting the FBI with a terrorist threat. Juvenile crime is up substantially; we have had quite a few incidents with juveniles and taking 2 to Juvenile Detention Center. We conducted a canine sniff of the school yesterday and was able to seize narcotics and paraphernalia from students. Code Enforcement Officer working with City Hall and Public Works was able to ride herd on Union Pacific Railroad and they are now clearing all along the tracks within city limits both east to west.

7. Councilperson Pam Griswold stated when WREC had the community rally at the school, she was glad to see the officers and code enforcement there.
8. Floyd Davies stated it was a great turnout and they were excited to participate. They spent a lot of time with the football team and even the folks from Eureka.
9. Mayor Donnetta Skinner stated some came to the store and said how “happy they were to see you there and how sharp you looked”.
10. Karla Jones, Carlin Volunteer Fire Department, reported year-to-date is 305 calls. For the month of September responded to a total of 31 calls, 5 were fires, 3 public assist, 23 of which were medical. 17 of those were done in the a.m. during the working shift and 14 done after 5 p.m. or before 8 p.m. This week is Fire Prevention Week and all smoke detectors need to be in bedrooms and working. They are going to the school tomorrow for elementary school fire prevention and education and then Saturday from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. there will be free hot dogs at Scott’s Market, some detectors, etc.

**II. Review, discussion and possible approval to appoint a City Engineer or Engineering Firm for the City of Carlin and all related matters. (Possible Action Item)**

1. City Manager David Jones stated the two firms before you are the most qualified based on the Request for Qualifications. There were 6 RFQs in total, two of which openly admitted that they were not seeking to be the engineer for the City full time, but had specialty-engineering features they would like to be considered for. On September 23, a motion was made and died for lack of a second, followed by a motion to table.
2. Councilperson Pam Griswold stated her sister in law works for Farr West, but neither she nor her sister-in-law have a vested interest. If they are awarded the contract, it does not affect her.
3. Vice Mayor Lincoln Litchfield stated he has studied his packet and I feel confident in making the motion right now. He thanked those who submitted an RFQ for this and “I think both of them are qualified to do the job at hand that the City is requesting for them to do”.
4. **Vice Mayor Lincoln Litchfield moved for approval to appoint the firm of Farr West as City Engineer/Engineering Firm for the City of Carlin and all related matters. Councilperson Pam Griswold seconded the motion. The motion carried with Mayor Donnetta Skinner voting in favor.**

**III. Review, Discussion and possible approval of payments for the periods 9/23/2015 to 10/7/2015, and all related matters. (Possible Action Item)**

1. **Vice Mayor Lincoln Litchfield moved for approval of the payments for the periods 9/23/2015 to 10/7/2015 and all related matters. Councilperson Pam Griswold seconded the motion. The motion carried with Mayor Donnetta Skinner voting in favor.**

**IV. City Council Members’ Reports. (Non-Action Item)**

1. Vice Mayor Lincoln Litchfield had no report. Planning Commission has not met.
2. Councilperson Pam Griswold reported the Senior Center had their meeting and evidently Judy Bradshaw is going to give City Clerk LaDawn Lawson the quarterly volunteer hours.
3. City Clerk LaDawn Lawson stated she always gives her those hours.
4. Councilperson Pam Griswold stated Judy Bradshaw is not going to be giving a report of the volunteer hours at the Senior Center meeting.

5. Mayor Donnetta Skinner stated that Judy Bradshaw should give the report of volunteer hours at the meeting, because City Clerk LaDawn Lawson does not do that, it is a completely different thing.
6. City Clerk LaDawn Lawson replied the only reason she gets them is for worker's comp report that she does quarterly.
7. Councilperson Pam Griswold stated she would tell her that. She also attended the meeting and reported that they are starting to work on the Turkey Shoot.
8. Mayor Donnetta Skinner reported the Council assignments would be changed at the first of next year. "So if you have something that you want to do now this will give you time to finish up with them. I think if we change this, you will get a little bit more experience with each one and it would be helpful. She attended the Commissioner's meeting that the builders in Elko asked for the same bond that Paul Tanguay asked for and they said they had to study that a little more. I do not think people realize how expensive it is to do the infrastructure."
9. Vice Mayor Lincoln Litchfield stated, "And you don't see what that money is for, all the streets, etc."
10. Mayor Donnetta Skinner reported the Spook Walk is at the end of the month. This is a big deal for Carlin. We need lots of people doing a lot of cubbies". She reported what the Walk entails, noting it would be opened into the back section, meaning more cubbies, more people. They do need volunteers.

**V. City Clerk's Report. (Non-Action Item)**

1. There was no report.

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

1. City Manager David Jones reported lots of training Public Works Director Carlos Esparza attended training in Winnemucca yesterday, all the department heads attended 3 hours of training today in Elko ongoing relation matters and the audit is getting underway. "We are in a lot better shape this year than we were last year".

**VII. 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. Mayor Donnetta Skinner stated there are a lot of things going on in the community in the next couple of months. She noted the events that are being held in November and December. The Christmas Village and Spook Walk, they need all the help they can get. "It is hard to get volunteers".
2. Vice Mayor Lincoln Litchfield inquired if they were going to discuss canceling the second meetings of November and December.
3. City Clerk LaDawn Lawson explained Veterans Day falls on the first meeting in November and she has asked City Manager David Jones to put that on the agenda next time.
4. Discussion was held on the Christmas Eve date.
5. Councilperson Pam Griswold stated she heard a new word.
6. Ben Stevens reported he has heard rumors on the cars he has parked up there at his business, people wanting to know why they are there. "The cars are there because people owe me money on those cars."
7. Mayor Donnetta Skinner inquired, "Are they fixed?"
8. Ben Stevens stated some of them are. "Once those cars are dealt with and some have left. We have about 5 cars now and 2 motor homes. I am doing repairs on one of the motor homes; the other motor home is fixed. The guy is out of town and asked if he could leave it there until he returns."
9. Mayor Donnetta Skinner stated, "You keep it in pretty good shape up there and it never really

looks too bad. I think Councilmen Bob DeMars said he was concerned that there were too many cars up there and I think that was the problem. I think they were thinking you had too many vehicles that you had not worked on or whatever. I think you keep it under pretty good control. I imagine every once in a while it gets out of hand with you”.

10. Ben Stevens stated that they bring them in from Elko, Winnemucca.
11. Mayor Donnetta Skinner stated there was some California person you fixed there care for them and they were down the road. “I was happy about that. That sends a good word down the highway”. City Manager David Jones would let us know if there was a problem.
12. Ben Stevens stated Lila Sexton visited him and went through all the cars there. “The only personal cars I have there is my business trucks. They thought I was collecting them and harvesting parts off them and that is not true. The car that has parts off is one where a lady swerved to avoid hitting a deer and tore both ends off and I have to replace it. If I could get a place to build a wrecking yard, I could do a lot and it would be a service to the City. I have my own tow truck and I could do everything right here. I have to have a place and it has to have a 6’ fence around it”.
13. City Manager David Jones stated, he is happy to meet with him.
14. Mayor Donnetta Skinner stated, “If he could find a place it would make a big difference for him. The only thing is that you would have a place away from where you were working, would it be safe for that?”
15. Discussion ensued concerning power and purchasing land in the Industrial Park.
16. Mayor Donnetta Skinner stated, “I have not had too many complaints; the council people talked to me about too many cars and to tell you about it”.
17. Mayor Donnetta Skinner stated her appreciation for having him in Carlin rather than having people drive 20-35 miles to get their vehicles fixed.
18. Councilperson Pam Griswold stated, “There is a lot of work you should do for the City”.
19. Ben Stevens replied he would like to.
20. Fred Montes de Oca stated, “If you remember the other Ben was up there before and it looked bad. I do not think I have ever had any problems with Ben Stevens. If someone does have a problem, he would like to be told”.
21. Chris Woster, Farr West, stated they are going to forge a new relationship with the City. “As we go forward, I will fulfill the point of contact role. Throughout the whole process, whatever does come up, it will be either plans signed by myself or Dave Pulley. I will get with City Manager David Jones soon and start putting together a structure. We want to follow-up and look at your standard mode of operation and try to fit in”.

**VIII. Adjournment. (Possible Action Item)**

**Vice Mayor Lincoln Litchfield moved for adjournment with Councilperson Pam Griswold seconding the motion. The meeting was adjourned at 7:34 p.m.**

**APPROVED:**

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**DONNETTA SKINNER, MAYOR**

**ATTEST:**

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**CITY CLERK LADAWN LAWSON**