

**MINUTES OF WELLS CITY COUNCIL
MEETING OF APRIL 11, 2023**

CALL TO ORDER

Date: Tuesday, April 11, 2023
Time: 7:00 P.M.
Place: Council Chambers, Wells City Hall
525 Sixth Street Wells, Nevada
Type of Meeting: Regular Meeting of City of Wells Board of Councilmen
Presiding Officer: Gary Pollock, Mayor

ROLL CALL

Present: Gary Pollock, Mayor
Jonathan Goolsby, Vice-Mayor
Laura Moore-DelRio, Councilwoman
CR Beth Savedra, Councilwoman

Absent: Chris Micheli, Councilman

Quorum: Yes

Staff Present: Samantha Nance, City Clerk
Jason Pengelly, City Manager
Glenn Shamblin, Public Works Supervisor
Dan Thornton, Public Works
Patti Zander, Deputy Clerk

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Mayor Pollock led everyone in the Pledge of Allegiance.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETINGS

Savedra made a motion to approve the meeting minutes dated March 28, 2023. Goolsby provided the second and motion passed unanimously.

CITIZENS TO ADDRESS THE COUNCIL

There were none.

**DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION TO APPROVE TENTATIVE BUDGET
FOR FISCAL YEAR 2023-2024**

Minutes of Wells City Council
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Nance stated the budget is in the format that is required by the state and the numbers have not changed since the last meeting. Nance went over the revenues and beginning fund balance as well as the expenses. Nance also went over the debt the city has and dates for payoff. Nance added that there were a couple of things that needed to be addressed before submitting the final budget. The attorney is looking at increasing their hourly rate which has not changed in eight to ten years. Nance also received a request from Jolene Supp at Main Street for a \$10,000 donation she was hoping could be put in this budget. The street budget will have to be addressed due to all the damage caused from the winter and will need to get more money added by moving it from somewhere else. A citizen inquired why Supp needed \$10,000. Pollock added the request was for this fiscal year or next. Pollock thinks with the street issues, it would be really hard to donate anything this year but it could be revisited next year. Goolsby thinks it would be fiscally irresponsible to donate money when the streets look the way they do. Nance stated money for either item would come out of the same fund. Goolsby made a motion to approve the tentative budget for fiscal year 2023-2024. Savedra provided the second and motion passed unanimously.

DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION TO AUTHORIZE CITY STAFF TO SUBMIT NEVADA DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION TAP GRANT

Pengelly began that staff would like to apply for this TAP grant in the amount of \$870,000. This would cover curb, gutter and sidewalks on both sides of the street from Lake and Sixth Street to the end of the soccer field on Easy Street. The city's match, if the grant was received, would be \$43,500. Letters of support have been requested from the school district as well as the resource center. Goolsby made a motion to authorize city staff to submit the Nevada Department of Transportation TAP grant. DelRio provided the second and motion passed unanimously.

DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION TO ADOPT RESOLUTION 23-08 – RESOLUTION APPROVING APPOINTING OF A MUNICIPAL JUDGE, APPROVING APPOINTMENT OF MUNICIPAL JUDGES PRO TEMPORE AND OTHER MATTERS PROPERLY RELATING THERETO

Melissa Hall from the Wells Justice Court was at the meeting. Hall stated when the legislature passed AB116 effective January 1st, it meant that all traffic citations are civil matters. The juvenile side was not included in this bill. The Elko judges have sworn in Michelle Peterson as the pro tempore judge for the juvenile side and are asking that Wells does it as well for the City of Wells. There is no cost to the city and Peterson would handle the juvenile side as she has previously worked in this area. Goolsby added that prior to AB116, Wells didn't do anything for juveniles. All juvenile court issues went through the Elko Juvenile Court and didn't affect the city. Savedra inquired why all the other judges were on the list. Nance stated they were already on the list to cover if Judge Calton is on vacation, has a case involving a family member or it is after hours and Calton cannot be reached. One of the other judges can issue a warrant for the Wells court. Goolsby made a motion to approve Resolution 23-08, a resolution approving appointing of a municipal judge, approving appointment of municipal judges pro tempore

and other matters properly relating thereto. Savedra provided the second and motion passed unanimously.

DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION TO APPROVE OR DENY PROPOSED BOUNDARY LINE ADJUSTMENT SUBMITTED BY SUMMIT ENGINEERING FOR LOVE’S HOSPITALITY, APN #002-760-044, APN #002-760-045 AND APN # 002-760-061

Pengelly began that Love’s will be adding a Speedco on to the truck shop as well as adding an RV Park. The interior lines need to be adjusted to make three parcels. A copy of the map showing what needed to be done was displayed. It is not legal to build over a parcel line and this needs to be done to accommodate the expansion of the shop. Loves owns the property and just needs to move the boundary line. Goolsby made a motion to approve the boundary line adjustment submitted by Summit Engineering for Loves Hospitality, APN #002-760-044, APN #002-760-045 and APN # 002-760-061. DelRio provided the second and motion passed unanimously.

DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION TO APPROVE OR DENY PLAN MAP SUBMITTED BY SUMMIT ENGINEERING FOR LOVE’S HOSPITALITY, APN # 002-760-059 AND APN # 002-760-060

Pengelly began that now that the line adjustment was approved, this item is to remove two boundary lines to make it one parcel. This is where the RV park will be, taking it from five parcels to three parcels. The RV Park will have eighty-eight spaces with curb, gutter and sidewalks. Cobre will be paved to the intersection of Moor Avenue. Goolsby made a motion to approve the plan map submitted by Summit Engineering for Love’s Hospitality, APN #002-760-059 and APN # 002-760-060. DelRio provided the second and motion passed unanimously.

CLAIMS COMMITTEE REPORT: ACTION TO APPROVE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

Savedra made a motion to approve the Warrant Register dated March 29, 2023 through April 11, 2023 in the amount of \$153,546.20. Goolsby provided the second and motion passed unanimously.

COUNCILMEN’S REPORTS

Savedra reminded everyone that the contributions and expenses are due by April 15th. The NNRDA meeting Savedra was going to attend on the 26th was cancelled due to lack of actionable items. On Saturday, April 22, 2023, there is a community walk for the prevention of child abuse starting at 10 a.m. Everyone is invited to participate in this walk and encouraged to wear blue.

DelRio stated the street sweeper did a great job today. The softball field is dried out and ready to go. Softball is up and running with some home games coming up for the high

school. DelRio encouraged everyone to come and support the teams, cook shack and watch the games.

Goolsby stated that baseball is starting and encouraged everyone to go out and support the kids.

Pollock mentioned that T ball is also starting and Pollock will be coaching. Thursday will be the presentation to Nevada Gold Mine in hopes of getting grant money to help complete the senior center. Pollock stated that NGM was over and had a tour of the new building. The building is progressing with windows and doors being put in. Pollock added the building is amazing and can't wait for it to be completed.

STAFF REPORTS

The Pine West property sale closed last Wednesday, funds have been received and will go into the RDA fund. Pine West hopes to break ground in eighteen months.

Pengelly also mentioned that the city is asking for \$500,000 from Nevada Gold Mine to go towards the new senior center.

During spring break, the \$1 swim was offered at the pool. For those five days, there were 177 swimmers. This might be repeated once a month.

Pengelly and Nance went to Elko last Wednesday and Thursday to attend Pool n Pact training for advanced management. It was two days geared towards the HR Department.

In talking with Legal Counsel today, the part-time code enforcement position will hopefully be drafted with the first reading at the next meeting. Not only can the city hire a code enforcement officer but the building official can write warnings and tickets as can the fire chief.

Better City sent emails to all council members to set up appointments to be interviewed to discuss goals for the future. Better City will be at the next meeting to review goals.

Shamblin mentioned that some of the holes have been patched in the streets. The street sweeper has been busy cleaning up the sand. Pengelly mentioned the city has some cold patch and will continue patching streets as time permits. No hot batch plants will be firing up for at least another month.

Quinn asked Pengelly if he had contacted the railroad again about blocking the tracks. Pengelly stated he called them today and they say one crossing is open so they don't see a problem. Pengelly stated after talking to the school about the letters of support for the tap grant, it was mentioned that kids that live across the tracks are having to climb under and over the train to get to school which is a big issue. Pengelly provided the phone number to the principal at the school for them to call and express concern. The train has been sitting on the track all day. Pollock feels there is a lack of regulation which is also

causing issues in other states. Pollock feels the railroad is under a spotlight with the federal government and hopefully won't be able to push their weight around as much as they have in the past. The number was posted and maybe should be reposted and encourage more citizens to call and complain. Quinn has called the parents of the kids she has seen crawl under the train to get across the tracks.

CITIZENS TO ADDRESS THE COUNCIL

There were none.

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 7:41 p.m.

GARY POLLOCK, Mayor

ATTEST:

SAMANTHA NANCE, City Clerk