

**MINUTES OF WELLS CITY COUNCIL  
MEETING OF DECEMBER 12, 2023**

**CALL TO ORDER**

Date: Tuesday, December 12, 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  
Chris Micheli, Councilman  
CR Beth Savedra, Councilwoman  
  
Absent: John Goolsby, Vice-Mayor  
Laura Moore-DelRio, Councilwoman  
  
Quorum: Yes  
  
Staff Present: Samantha Nance, City Clerk  
Jason Pengelly, City Manager  
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 November 28, 2023.  
Micheli provided the second and the motion passed unanimously.

**CITIZENS TO ADDRESS THE COUNCIL**

There were none.

**DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION TO APPROVE PARCEL MAP  
SUBMITTED BY HIGH DESERT ENGINEERING FOR DENNIS AND JACQUE  
FENDER COMBINING LOTS 4 AND 5 OF BLOCK V, SKYLINE TERRACE NO.  
2 FOR PARCEL NUMBERS 002-637-005 AND 002-637-006**

Pengelly stated that there was a map in the packet showing the two lots. The one lot has the house on it. The other lot next to the house was purchased and dry scaped. Fenders would like to combine the parcels to make one large parcel. This property is for sale and is contingent on the lots being combined. Micheli stated this property looks very nice. Micheli made a motion to approve the parcel map submitted by High Desert Engineering for Dennis and Jacque Fender combining lots 4 and 5 of Block V, Skyline Terrace No. 2 for parcel numbers 002-637-005 and 002-637-006. Savedra provided the second and the motion passed unanimously.

### **DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION TO IDENTIFY PROJECTS ELIGIBLE FOR UPCOMING CDBG CYCLE AND DIRECT STAFF TO DRAFT GRANT APPLICATION(S)**

Pollock stated completing the new senior center is his number one priority for a grant. Micheli agreed it needs to be done. Pollock stated a previous grant for the Shoshone project delayed using that grant cycle for the senior center and it is so close to being completed. Pollock thinks the focus should be on completing the new senior center then move on to other projects. Pengelly added that the city would ask for \$300,000 combined with the other \$150,000 from NGM should hopefully be enough to complete the senior center. These figures are all based on the original bid from MGM from two years ago. Hopefully the costs have not gone up from the original bid. CDBG is invested in this project. Savedra made a motion for the senior center to be the priority for the upcoming CDBG grant cycle and direct staff to draft grant applications. Micheli provided the second and the motion passed unanimously.

### **CLAIMS COMMITTEE REPORT: ACTION TO APPROVE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS**

Savedra made a motion to approve the Warrant Register dated November 30, 2023 through December 12, 2023 in the amount of \$198,109.68. Micheli provided the second and the motion passed unanimously. Savedra made a motion to approve the check register dated November 1, 2023 through November 30, 2023 in the amount of \$30,624.65. Micheli provided the second and the motion passed unanimously.

### **COUNCILMEN'S REPORTS**

Savedra thanked Pengelly for getting the streetlights fixed that she had asked him about. The school is trying to start a new PTO at the high school and needs more participation. There is not much school spirit and the hope is to get people out to participate. Officers have not been elected yet. Their next meeting will be at the high school library on January 22, 2024 at 4 p.m.

Micheli announced that he is already planning for the car show for next year which will be July 26 – 28, 2024.

Pollock mentioned the city party that is scheduled to be December 28, 2023 at Betasos starting at 5:30 p.m. with dinner at 6 p.m. The city hasn't had an employee Christmas party in some time. Pollock wished everyone a Merry Christmas and Happy New Year.

## **STAFF REPORTS**

Nance stated the Christmas Parade of lights will be December 21, 2023 and Santa will be at the Buckaroo Boutique from 4 to 6 p.m. The Sip & Splash will be at the pool on Saturday at 10 a.m. Financial disclosures are due January 15, 2024.

Pengelly stated that he, Nance and Savedra attended an NNRDA meeting that had a matrix listing goals of the different cities. Some of the previous goals were unrealistic. There are now more realistic goals on the matrix with goal number one getting a company here that will get people here. If the city can get the company here, housing will come. The third goal was infrastructure South of I-80 then trade schools and developing the RDA. These are more achievable goals than the previous goals.

Pengelly attended a meeting with the Board of History and museums. At this meeting, the city's application recommending the El Rancho be on the National Historic Registry was approved to be sent to Washington, DC. This will give the city more funding to get the project completed to turn the El Rancho into a community center.

The notice to proceed was received from Aging and Disability for appliances for the new senior center. Nance ordered new kitchen equipment in the amount of \$49,000.

Pengelly will be off next week and Nance the week after.

Savedra mentioned the Elko County REC board is having a meeting on December 14<sup>th</sup> at 10 a.m. that neither DelRio nor Savedra can attend and was hoping someone in the office might be able to sit in on that meeting. Nance and Pengelly will be in Wendover at the Nevada Gold Mine Meeting and will be unable to attend.

Pollock stated the evaluations of Nance and Pengelly are complete.

Pengelly stated that animal control may be over this week to deal with a problem on Ninth Street with dogs chasing people. Pengelly had the Sheriff Department there today talking to people whose dogs are causing an issue.

Pengelly provided a copy of a letter signed by Keven Hall to give authorization to certain staff members to enforce code. Pollock wants to discuss this further with Pengelly. Hall must give authorization to certain people to enforce the code. The legal part is still being worked on by legal counsel.

## **CITIZENS TO ADDRESS THE COUNCIL**

There were none.

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**ADJOURNMENT**

The meeting was adjourned at 7:30 p.m.

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**GARY POLLOCK, Mayor**

ATTEST:

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**SAMANTHA NANCE, City Clerk**