

**MINUTES OF WELLS CITY COUNCIL
MEETING OF MARCH 24, 2026**

CALL TO ORDER

Date: Tuesday, March 24, 2026
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
Chris Micheli, Councilman
CR Beth Savedra, Councilwoman

Absent: Richard Peltier, Councilman

Quorum: Yes

Staff Present: Jason Pengelly, City Manager
Glen Shamblin, Public Works Director
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 10, 2026. Micheli provided the second and the motion passed unanimously.

CITIZENS TO ADDRESS THE COUNCIL

There were none.

**DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION TO APPROVE RESOLUTION 26-01, A
RESOLUTION CONFIRMING SANITATION SERVICE FEES AND LANDFILL
DISPOSAL CHARGES (TIPPING FEES)**

Pengelly stated there have been no comments on this increase one way or another. If this is approved, the increase will go into effect on May 1, 2026. Savedra made a motion to approve Resolution 26-01, a resolution confirming sanitation service fees and landfill disposal charges (tipping fees). Goolsby provided the second and the motion passed unanimously.

DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION TO DIRECT STAFF TO SUBMIT CCCHP GRANT APPLICATION FOR \$64,236.36 FOR THE EL RANCHO

Pengelly began that if the city gets this grant, it will allow staff to remove and replace water and sewer infrastructure on the first floor as well as water and sewer taps to the building. Once that is complete, the main floor can be insulated and sheet rocked. This grant would also cover repairing and refinishing the original wood floors at a cost of approximately \$32,000. The total grant is \$64,236.36. The cities in-kind will be labor for around \$11,000. If the city gets this grant and everything gets done, Pengelly hopes to be able to hold the tree festival there. If the city doesn't get the grant, we will just have to work on it a little bit at a time.

Pengelly added he would be happy to take any of the council members to the building to show what public works has done over the last six years. The whole interior basement, main floor and upper floor have been reframed, and everything is pinned to the concrete to stabilize the whole building. Pollock stated there are a lot of pins. The goal is to eventually have this building be the community center. Goolsby stated he has never been in the building and looks forward to a tour. Goolsby made a motion to direct staff to submit the CCCHP grant application for \$64,236.36 for the El Rancho. Savedra provided the second and the motion passed unanimously.

DISCUSSION AND REVIEW OF SURROUNDING CITY WATER RATES

Pollock thinks it is interesting what our surrounding communities are paying for water. Pollock reviewed Carlin's rates for water, sewer, landfill and street light fees for a total of \$94.27. Pengelly added that Wells doesn't charge for streetlights, but all the other communities do. Wendover has set an increase every year to try to catch up. Wendover also has a double sewer fee because there is a charge for the collection fee at the house and one for the wastewater treatment plant. Pollock feels Carlin's size and situation is closer to what Wells has and Wendover is totally different as well as larger. Wendover also pumps their water in across the valley. Pengelly stated the business impact statements for this water rate increase will be sent out by April 1st. Pengelly stated after this increase has been in effect for approximately nine months, we can look at it again and see where things stand and reevaluate the impact of this rate increase. Pengelly stated Wells could go the route of Wendover where they had a resolution to increase rates by 3% every year. Pollock likes the idea of making a small increase to cover costs for now, like Pengelly suggested.

CLAIMS COMMITTEE REPORT: ACTION TO APPROVE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

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Micheli made a motion to approve the Warrant Register dated March 12, 2026 through March 24, 2026 in the amount of \$114,265.44. Savedra provided the second and the motion passed unanimously.

COUNCILMEN'S REPORTS

Savedra met with a lady this morning that she met from the Nevada League of Cities. She had just come from a meeting with a couple of people at the school district. Her company works a lot with municipalities. Savedra would like her to be able to meet with Pengelly and Nance sometime as she does have information on different grants the city might be able to use. Savedra thinks the golf course greens are amazing. The school is getting busy getting things cleaned up.

Goolsby stated that baseball is starting. Goolsby added that Ricardo Savedra is doing an amazing job cleaning the school property as well as public works in getting the baseball fields ready for the season. Goolsby stated having the covers on the greens for the winter helps the greens look so good and Huff is doing a great job with the golfers.

Pollock spoke with Huff about the green covers who expressed that a couple of them are getting ripped and might need to replace a couple of them. The Wells golf course has a reputation of being one of the best courses in the area with a lot of people coming from the Elko and Spring Creek area. Goolsby added that when Huff had the tournament, one of the dads from White Pine expressed an interest in coming to Wells to golf. Pollock stated the opening ceremony for Little League will be April 11th and there will be free ice cream cones and raffles. Little League now has a soft serve ice cream machine. The baseball field looks amazing as the city crew did a lot of work on the infield and painted the dugouts. Pollock expressed to Shamblin how much he appreciates all the work he and his crew have done to get the baseball fields ready for the season. April 2nd will be the On Target meeting with NNRDA.

STAFF REPORTS

Pengelly began that a couple of months ago, he applied to the FAA to hold the drag races for the car show at the airport and has not heard back. There were no complaints last year and doesn't see them denying the request, but it is a long process.

A chemical was sprayed on the greens since there is no water at the golf course right now. The chemical makes it so they don't need much water. The golf course will officially open on April 15th. Pengelly thought some of the funds raised at the Orange Truck Classic fundraiser could be used to get new green covers.

The transfer station has been moved out to the old dump north of town. All the dumpsters, metal bin and burn pile are all out there. There are three applicants for the job so hopefully interviews can be scheduled for next week. We hope to have someone hired by the middle of April. Free dump day will be scheduled sometime in May.

Pengelly will be on vacation next week and will be in California.

Shamblin added the driller is waiting for a part to be able to get the well repairs finished up at the golf course that should be here next week.

CITIZENS TO ADDRESS THE COUNCIL

There were none

ADJOURNMENT

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

GARY POLLOCK, Mayor

ATTEST:

SAMANTHA NANCE, City Clerk