

**MINUTES OF WELLS CITY COUNCIL
MEETING OF AUGUST 25, 2026**

CALL TO ORDER

Date: Tuesday, August 25, 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
Richard Peltier, Councilman
CR Beth Savedra, Councilwoman

Absent: Jonathan Goolsby, Vice-Mayor
Chris Micheli, Councilman

Quorum: Yes

Staff Present: Samantha Nance, City Clerk
Jason Pengelly, City Manager
Patti Zander, Deputy Clerk

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Mayor Gary Pollock led everyone in the Pledge of Allegiance.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETINGS

Savedra made a motion to approve the meeting minutes dated August 11, 2026. Peltier provided the second and the motion passed unanimously.

CITIZENS TO ADDRESS THE COUNCIL

There were none.

**JCB AND ASSOCIATES TO ADDRESS BOARD OF COUNCIL TO PRESENT
COMPANY, BUSINESS PLAN AND FUTURE VISION AND OTHER MATTERS
RELATING THERETO**

This item will be skipped as the business owners cannot make it to the meeting.

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DISCUSSION, REVIEW AND POSSIBLE ACTION TO AWARD REQUEST FOR PROPOSAL FOR LONE TREE PARK PLAYGROUND EQUIPMENT

Peltier thought there were great ideas and if there wasn't a time crunch in getting this approved, thought the ideas should be taken to the school for third and fourth graders to pick their favorite. Peltier did show the ideas to his son and friends. Savedra liked the swings but not sure of the layout of option one from Big T Recreation. The second one that Savedra liked better was Great Western option three. Savedra wondered what the material was made of and wondered if it would hold up in Wells. Pengelly added that some of them are guaranteed for up to twenty-five years.

Pengelly continued that all these designs can be changed a little bit. Great Western Recreation provides a discount on the main structure which gives us more activities. It is hard to pick because there is so much. Some of the proposals had a bunch of rope that would degrade over time from the sun and could be vandalized and cut. All the proposals have the rubberized border around and wood mulch.

Pollock asked his eight-year-old son, and he liked the Great Western option three in the lemonade or macaw colors. Pollock's wife and son went to the splash pad to see what colors would match and those are the two colors that matched the splash pad equipment. Nance's son and daughter also liked option three from Great Western. That option only offers two swings but would like to expand that to more swings and maybe a toddler swing. Peltier made a motion to approve and award the request for proposal for Lone Tree Park playground equipment to Great Western Recreation, option three and give staff ability to adjust and add on up to the \$200,000 budgeted in the macaw color. Savedra 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 August 13, 2026 through August 25, 2026 in the amount of \$123,401.47. Peltier provided the second and the motion passed unanimously.

COUNCILMEN'S REPORTS

Savedra wanted to thank all the firefighters, volunteers that worked around here and the city staff. This fire has been very scary. Savedra appreciates everyone and is glad they are working on getting things under control. Tomorrow Savedra will attend an NNRDA meeting. Savedra is glad to be back at school.

Peltier agreed with Savedra in thanking everyone that is working hard on the fire. Resources are stretched thin; there were six major fires yesterday and twenty-five in total that started. Most of the resources are working on the Reno fire. Wells Rural Electric was good at getting out on social media with updates and good information as to why the

power had to be shut off. They were working diligently with Idaho Power in getting it turned back on.

Pollock agreed with Savedra and Peltier. The firefighters were doing great work, and it has been an eye raising experience that can happen at any time and a scary thing. School is back in session so watch for the kids. Football is in session with the new LED lights. Pollock met with Teri Gage, the auditor, today which is a yearly thing. It makes it so much easier to have this conversation when the staff is so diligent. Pollock always gives the public works guys a lot of praise but the people in the office deserve a lot of praise too. Gage mentioned she knew someone who lost their house recently in the Spokane fire and only had five minutes to grab what they could before evacuating. Huge praise to all who are working on the fire right now, keeping us safe and putting their lives on the line to keep us safe.

STAFF REPORTS

Pengelly mentioned the auditors are here all week.

Pengelly stated when the fire started, he received a text within twenty minutes of when the fire started from Matt Petersen saying he was sending people over to get on the fire immediately. Pengelly was also in contact with Lee Cabiness and Chief Petersen the whole-time receiving updates. Wells was not in any danger at the time but were getting things in place if the wind shifted and where a shelter would be with Red Cross. WREC called Pengelly multiple times to keep him updated. Pengelly thinks there is a good plan in place if something were to happen.

Well #2's casing is broken. A metal sleeve will have to be put in place and hydraulically pressed in place which isn't going to be cheap. We are working on getting a price.

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There were none.

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 7:21 p.m.

GARY POLLOCK, Mayor

ATTEST:

SAMANTHA NANCE, City Clerk

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