



CITY OF ELY

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ELY CITY COUNCIL REGULAR MEETING

December 12, 2024, 5:00 p.m. – Ely Volunteer Fire Hall – 499 Mill Street – Ely, Nevada

The Ely City Council meeting can also be accessed via video conference/teleconference. Please call City Hall or email CityClerk@cityofelynv.gov if you have questions regarding accessing the meeting.

Link: <https://zoom.us/j/9771306332> **Meeting ID:** 977 130 6332

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THE COUNCIL MEMBERS MAY ADDRESS AGENDA ITEMS OUT OF SEQUENCE, COMBINE TWO OR MORE AGENDA ITEMS FOR CONSIDERATION, REMOVE AN ITEM OR DELAY DISCUSSION AT ANY TIME TO ACCOMMODATE PERSONS APPEARING BEFORE THE COUNCIL OR TO AID IN THE EFFICIENCY AND EFFECTIVENESS OF THE MEETINGS.

1. OPENING ACTIVITIES:

MEETING CALLED TO ORDER
PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE
INVOCATION
ROLL CALL

2. PUBLIC COMMENT: Per City Council action October 27, 2022, and in accordance with Nevada Revised Statutes 241.020, **public comment at the beginning of city council meetings is narrowed to agenda items only.** The public comment period at the close of city council meetings is for any matter relevant to or within the authority of the Public Body. Comments not exceeding three (3) minutes in length will be accepted from the general public in attendance. If any are made, there may be discussion upon those comments. No vote, decision, or action may be taken upon matters raised under this item until it is formally placed on the agenda. **Comments during Discussion Items will not be accepted from the General public.** “Section 7.05 of the Nevada Open Meeting Law Manual indicates that the Public Body may prohibit comment if the content of the comments is a topic that is not relevant to or within the authority of the Public Body or if the content of the comments is willfully disruptive of the meeting by being irrelevant, repetitious, slanderous, offensive, inflammatory, irrational or amounting to personal attacks or interfering with the rights of other speakers”.

3. Mayor – Discussion/For Possible Action – Approval of Agenda, including removal of agenda items.

4. CITY DEPARTMENT REPORTS

- [FIRE CHIEF](#)
- POLICE CHIEF
- [MUNICIPAL COURT JUDGE](#)
- CITY ATTORNEY
- CITY CLERK
 - ❖ [Liens](#)
 - ❖ [Lien Releases](#)
 - ❖ [New Business](#)
- CITY TREASURER / HR DIRECTOR
- [CITY PUBLIC WORKS DIRECTOR](#)
 - ❖ [Animal Control](#)
 - ❖ [Landfill](#)
 - ❖ [Parks/Cemetery](#)
 - ❖ [Streets](#)
 - ❖ [Water/Sewer](#)
- [CITY WATER OPERATOR](#)
- CITY ENGINEER
- CITY BUILDING OFFICIAL
 - ❖ [Permits-Inspections](#)

5. [NNRY FOUNDATION REPORT](#)

6. REPORTS

CITY COUNCIL
[MAYOR](#)

7. ITEMS FOR DISCUSSION/POSSIBLE ACTION OF THE ELY CITY COUNCIL AS RECOMMENDED BY THE MUNICIPAL UTILITIES BOARD.

1. Board Members – Councilwoman Van Camp – [Discussion/For Possible Action](#) – Approval to purchase from the unused Landfill budgeted Capital Expenditures a new 1-ton full size, standard cab, long bed truck in the amount of \$46,463.25.
2. Councilwoman Williams-Harper – Discussion/For Possible Action – Approval for the White Pine High School Welding Instructor to remove metal from the Landfill to be used in class.
3. Board Members – City Engineer Almberg – [Discussion/For Possible Action](#) - Approval to relinquish Bureau of Land Management (BLM) Right-of-Way grant N-046992 as the need to construct two water tanks at this location no longer exists.

4. Board Members – City Clerk Lee – [Discussion/For Possible Action](#) – Approval to remove past due utility fee penalties up to the amount of \$6.05 from 827 Avenue D, Ely, Nevada at the request of Property Owner, George Chachas.

8. ITEMS FOR DISCUSSION/POSSIBLE ACTION ONLY OF THE ELY CITY COUNCIL.

- A. CONSENT AGENDA** (These items may be approved in one motion by the Council as its first action of business under For Discussion/Possible Action items.) Approval of the Consent Agenda approves each of these items. Council Members may remove any item from the Consent Agenda by notifying the Mayor or Mayor pro temp.

MOTION: Move to approve the Consent Agenda item 8A-1 Minutes and 8A-2 Bills.

Moved by: _____ Second by: _____ Vote: _____

1. Discussion/For Possible Action – Minutes.
 - [November 13, 2024](#)
 - [November 14, 2024](#)
2. Discussion/For Possible Action – Bills.
 - [November 14, 2024](#)
 - [November 26, 2024](#)
 - [December 5, 2024](#)

B. NEW BUSINESS

1. Mayor Robertson – [Discussion/For Possible Action](#) – Approval of Proclamation Honoring Bill Holt for his dedicated volunteer work at the Nevada Northern Railway.
2. Mayor Robertson – Great Basin Water Network (GBWN) Executive Director Kyle Roerink – Discussion/For Possible Action – Approval to reallocate \$10,000 in 45G tax monies, previously committed to Nevada Northern Railway Foundation legal expenses, as a donation to the Great Basin Water Network to research water permit transfers in Steptoe Valley approved by the Nevada Division of Water Resources, which research will be presented to the Ely City Council following its completion.
3. Mayor Robertson – [Discussion/For Possible Action](#) – Acknowledgement of White Pine County District Attorney Office’s termination of the Interlocal Agreement to Provide Prosecutor Services as of December 31, 2024.
4. Mayor Robertson – [Discussion/For Possible Action](#) – Interview of City Attorney candidate Chris Arabia, including discussion regarding requested employment terms, with possible appointment as City Attorney.

5. Mayor Robertson – [Discussion/For Possible Action](#) – Confirmation of Mayoral appointment of Dean Reynolds as a City of Ely representative on the Regional Planning Commission to fulfill a term expiring December 31, 2026.
6. Mayor Robertson – [Discussion/For Possible Action](#) – Acceptance of Councilwoman Samantha Elliott’s resignation from the Redevelopment Advisory Committee.
7. Mayor Robertson – Discussion/For Possible Action – Confirmation of Mayoral appointment of Councilwoman Melody Van Camp as a member of the Redevelopment Advisory Committee.
8. Mayor Robertson – Discussion/For Possible Action – Selection of a member of the City Council to be a signatory on the City of Ely accounts at the First National Bank of Ely.
9. Councilwoman Elliott – [Discussion Only](#) – Update on Porter Group efforts on the City of Ely’s behalf to secure federal and State funding.
10. Councilwoman Williams-Harper – Discussion Only – White Pine Chamber of Commerce monthly report on community activities.
11. Council Members – City Fire Chief Stork – [Discussion/For Possible Action](#) – Approval of Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) between City of Ely and Operating Engineers Local Union No. 3 regarding the modification of Exhibit A of the Collective Bargaining Agreement (CBA) to evenly split the 5% wage rate increase and apply it equally between two employees jointly assuming the EMS Coordinator position with this Memorandum having a term of one (1) year from the date of execution.
12. Council Members - City Fire Chief Stork – [Discussion/For Possible Action](#) – Approval of the Cooperative Agreement for Emergency Medical Services between the City of Ely and the Duckwater Shoshone Tribe, effective January 1, 2025.
13. Council Members – City Clerk Lee – [Discussion/For Possible Action](#) – Review of Consultant Selection Procedures on Statements of Qualifications submitted for the Central Ely Sewer Upgrade Project, U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) Funded Project #97T10501, with interviews to be conducted of each proposer and final selection based solely on the average of the interview score.

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10. ADJOURNMENT: THE MEETING MAY BE ADJOURNED BY APPROPRIATE MOTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL. * Open session – Action/Discussion – Personnel**

The meeting may be closed by appropriate motion for the purpose of discussion on any matter allowed under N.R.S. 241.031 and 241.033. (1) nothing contained in this chapter prevents a public body from holding a closed meeting to consider the character, alleged misconduct, professional competence or physical or mental health of a person/employee. (2) A public body may close a meeting upon a motion, which specifies the nature of the business to be considered. (3) This chapter does not: (a) Apply to judicial proceedings. (b) Prevent the removal of any person who willfully disrupts a meeting to the extent that its orderly conduct is made impractical. (c) Prevent the exclusion of witnesses from a public or private meeting during the examination of another witness. (d) Require that any meeting be closed to the public. (e) Permit a closed meeting for the discussion of the appointment of any person to public office or as a member of a public body. (4) The exception provided by this section, and electronic communication, must not be used to circumvent the spirit or letter of this chapter in order to discuss or act upon a matter over which the public body has supervision, control, jurisdiction or advisory powers. In accordance with Federal civil rights law and U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA) civil rights regulations and policies, the USDA, its Agencies, offices and employees, and institutions participating in or administering USDA programs are prohibited from discriminating based on race, color, national origin, religion, sex, gender identity (including gender expression), sexual orientation, disability, age, marital status, family/parental status, income derived from a public assistance program, political beliefs, or reprisal or retaliation for prior civil rights activity, in any program or activity conducted or funded by USDA (not all bases apply to all programs). Remedies and complaint filing deadlines vary by program or incident. Persons with disabilities who require alternative means of communication for program information (e.g., Braille, large print, audiotape, American Sign Language, etc.) should contact the responsible Agency or USDA's TARGET Center at (202) 720-2600 (voice and TTY) or contact USDA through the Federal Relay Service at (800) 877-8339. Additionally, program information may be made available in languages other than English. To file a program discrimination complaint, complete the USDA Program Discrimination Complaint Form, AD-3027, found online at <https://www.ascr.usda.gov/complaintfilingcust.html> and at any USDA office or write a letter addressed to USDA and provide in the letter all of the information requested in the form. To request a copy of the complaint form, call (866) 632-9992. Submit your completed form or letter to USDA by: Mail: U.S. Department of Agriculture, Office of the Assistant Secretary for Civil Rights, 1400 Independence Avenue, SW, Washington, D.C. 20250-9410; Fax: (202) 690-7442; or Email: program.intake@usda.gov.

For access to the public packet, contact the City Clerk at 501 Mill Street, Ely, Nevada 89301 or call (775) 289-2430; all packet material is posted in the agenda's hyperlinks or under "Additional Documentation" on the City's website at <https://www.cityofelynv.gov/>

I, Jennifer Lee, City Clerk, did cause to be posted on **December 6, 2024**, by **5:00 p.m.** four (4) notices of the Ely City Council agenda in said City of Ely to wit: Posted at the doors or bulletin boards of City Hall located at 501 Mill Street, United States Post County Library located at 950 Campton Street, White Pine County Courthouse located at 801 Clark Street and the U.S. Post Office located at 2600 Bristlecone Avenue. The meeting notice is also posted on the City of Ely's website at <https://www.cityofelynv.gov/> and the State of Nevada Public Notices website at <https://notice.nv.gov>.

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Jennifer Lee". The signature is written in black ink and is positioned above a horizontal line.