

Yerington City Council Meeting
March 8, 2021 at 10:00am – City Hall

The regular meeting of the Yerington City Council was held in the Council Chambers with social distancing guidelines in place with the following present:

Mayor John J. Garry
Council Members Jerry Bryant, Selena Catalano, Terceira Schunke and Shane Martin
City Manager Robert Switzer
City Attorney Chuck Zumpft
Chief of Police Darren Wagner
Public Works Director Jay Flakus
Grants Administrator Angela Moore

Absent: City Clerk Sheema D. Shaw

Guests: Mr. David Ray, Mr. Ken Jacobsen, Mrs. Amy Miller with the Northern Nevada Development Authority (NNDA), Mr. Jason Borsini, Mr. Blake Cooper, Mr. Sean Moyle, Mrs. Shannon Coombs, and Mr. Desoto Dickson with the Lyon County School District, Officer Coombs with the Yerington Police Department, Mr. Dave and Mrs. Deb DeGrendele, Mr. Elmer Bull with the Yerington Lions Club, Mrs. Gaylynn Smith, Mr. Jack Smith, Mr. Wes Blake, Mr. Lloyd Miller, and Mr. Tim Logan.

The meeting was called to order and roll call was reported by Mayor Garry. The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Mayor Garry.

Public Participation

Mayor Garry asked for comments, no comments were made at this time from the public.

Agenda Approval

Mayor Garry stated the agenda would be approved as presented unless there were any objections or corrections. City Manager Switzer stated no objections were made at this time and the agenda was approved as presented.

Minutes

Mayor Garry stated the minutes of February 22, 2021 regular meeting would be approved as presented unless there are any objections or corrections. No corrections were made and the minutes of February 22, 2021 were approved as presented.

New, Renewal and Name Change Business License Applications.

- A. Tom Patton dba Singatse Peak Services, LLC, Mineral Exploration, 143 S. Nevada St. - Address Change
- B. Tom Patton dba Quatterra Alaska, Inc., Mineral Exploration, 143 S. Nevada St. - Address Change
- C. Yindi Shen dba Yerington China Chef, Chinese Restaurant, 415 N. Main St. Yerington, NV 89447 - New Owner
- D. Cheryl & Devon Dunkle dba All In Arbor, LLC, Tree Service, 528 S. Main St. Spc. 42 Yerington, NV 89447, Mobile – New
- E. Eric Garner & Michael Bailey dba Fire Protection Service Corporation dba Mountain Alarm, Alarm Systems, 50 Snider Way Sparks, NV 89431, Mobile – New
- F. Kyle Wuelzer dba K2 Development dba H & L Custom Builders, General Contractor, 1520 D St. Sparks, NV 89431 - New Single Project
- G. Ricky Nuzum dba BDR Construction, Inc., General Contractor, 1414 Jobs Peak Gardnerville, NV 89460 - Renewal
- H. Kyle Cheek dba Cheek Construction, LLC, Commercial Concrete & Construction, 3303 Reno Highway Fallon, NV 89406 - New Single Project

Mayor Garry stated the business license applications would be approved as presented unless there are any objections or corrections. No objections were made and the business license applications were approved as presented.

Revoke Business Licenses Due to Non-Payment for the 43rd QTR October - December 2020.

- A. Jeffrey VanDiepen dba The Kaigan Corporation dba Pestmaster Services, Pest Control, 9716 S. Virginia St Ste. E Reno, NV 89511
- B. Karen Maples dba Stanley Convergent Security Solutions, Inc., Security, 8350 Sunlight Drive Fishers, IN 46037
- C. Tom Saurey dba Tuff Shed, Inc., General Contractor, 1050 Matley Ln Reno, NV 89502
- ~~D. Michael Teel dba Raley's, Retail Grocery Store, 176 Goldfield Ave Yerington, NV 89447~~
- E. David Neisingh, Tom Ortiz and Gabriel Froymovich dba Extractech, LLC, 103 McLeod St Yerington, NV 89447

City Manager Switzer stated item D, Raley's needs to be removed due to payment of the business license.

Mayor Garry stated the business licenses will be revoked as presented unless there are any objections or corrections. The business licenses to be revoked will include items A through C, excluding D and including E to be approved as corrected.

Approval of Airport Hangar #206 Assignment of Lease from Thatcher Dilley to Timothy Denver and Renee Denver.

City Manager Switzer stated the appropriate documentation has been reviewed by City staff.

Mayor Garry stated approval of Airport Hangar #206 assignment of lease from Thatcher Dilley to Timothy Denver and Renee Denver would be approved unless there are any objections or corrections. No objections were made and the assignment of lease for Airport Hangar #206 was approved unanimously.

Discussion and Possible Approval to Waive or Modify Community Center Fees for the Lions Club Event to be Held on April 17, 2021.

City Manager Switzer stated Mr. Elmer Bull with the Yerington Lions Club is present to provide a presentation.

Mr. Bull stated the Yerington Lions Club will host their annual fundraiser on April 17, 2021 for the Nut Feed. The event has taken place for the last ten years and was held at the Lyon County fairgrounds, which is their largest fundraiser of the year. Last year, the Lions Club did not host the event because of COVID and resulted in a loss of revenue. The Lions Club hosts many projects within the community including subsidizing eye glasses to those in need with a scholarship program in the amount of \$10,000.00, the fairgrounds project with lawn care and planting, turkey donations to families, the Yerington Volunteer Fire Department, the Lyon County Museum, the angel tree, the Easter Egg Hunt, the 4th of July fun day, BMX races, flags during holidays, and the turkey shoot. The eye examination for the scholarship programs is able to detect vision problems for young children. Mr. Bull stated the Lions Club would like to revive the revenue stream. Mr. Bull stated the Lions Club would greatly appreciate the City waiving a portion or all of the fees for use at the community center.

Mayor Garry shared his appreciation and would like to thank the Yerington Lions Club for providing the community with so many opportunities. The community is grateful for the Yerington Lions Club.

Councilman Bryant asked if the City's charges are a standard, flat fee in the amount of \$350.00? City Manager Switzer stated the Lions Club has provided a check in the amount of \$350.00. The Lions Club is requesting a reduction to rent the community center. The City is charging additional add-on fees to the application to include separate charges for use of the tables, chairs, and the kitchen.

Councilman Bryant suggested the Lions Club to pay the full rental fee in the amount of \$350.00, but \$250.00 of the full amount be used as a refundable deposit instead with \$100.00 to be kept by the City. The City should set the suggested fee as a precedence for all non-profit organizations.

Councilwoman Catalano stated the estimated costs within the memo, the City should come together for civic and non-profit organizations and the fees should be set the same across the board. The City should have a meeting to set the policies, to better assist with clubs in the community.

City Manager Switzer stated the City can either save on costs for an event and more money could go to the community. The policies should present a neutral revenue. City Council can take one of three actions:

1. Eliminate the fees to the Lions Club and any non-profit organization
2. Modify the fee with a reduction
3. No action and follow the application itself

City Manager Switzer stated groups have contacted the City each week to schedule an event at the City's community center. In June of 2021, three events are requesting to use the facility with two of the events on a Friday and Saturday. City Manager Switzer stated he did not anticipate the busy use of the community center with the purchase of the new facility.

Mayor Garry stated service organizations which provide contributions to the community should rent the facility and the fairest thing is to charge it. Mayor Garry asked Mr. Bull if the Lions Club would have any food expenses. Mr. Bull stated yes. Mayor Garry asked if the food expenses were going to be waived. Mr. Bull stated no. Mayor Garry asked if the entertainment expenses were going to be waived. Mr. Bull stated no. Mayor Garry stated community support organizations brings the City all together and his personal recommendation to City Council is come back by next year to see what the costs or comments are. The City does not want to be in competition with any business or other community centers.

Councilwoman Catalano stated a charitable organization should have expenses written off to help the community and the City could possibly write off a certain amount with a percentage added.

City Manager Switzer stated the fees for tables, chairs, the sound system, and the platform could be excluded. The fees would apply for replacement costs and if City Council chooses these could be discretionary. The labor costs include Public Works employees to set up the council room for each use of the community center.

Councilwoman Catalano agrees with Mayor Garry and stated the community center is new to the City and changes could be made as the City learns and grows with each event.

Councilwoman Schunke asked if the total amount of fees would be in the amount of \$975.00. City Manager Switzer stated yes, the current application shows all the fees and the structure. If add-ons are needed for an event, they would be additional.

Councilwoman Schunke asked Mr. Bull if the Yerington Lions Club intends on using the add-ons. Mr. Bull stated yes, some will be needed. In the past, the Lions Club has set up and take down for every event. The Lions Club also cleans prior to and after an event, which will be the process that will be taken here as well. The fees with the add-ons would be pretty substantial for the Lions Club.

Mayor Garry stated City Council will now open for any public participation. Mayor Garry asked for any comments.

Mr. Dave DeGrendele stated he was neutral for these types of events and the City should be neutral as well.

Councilman Bryant asked if any other estimates could be considered to break even. City Manager Switzer stated two of the Public Works employees average time to take the City Council meeting items down, prepare for an event and rebuild back to a City Council room would be an estimate based on how much time and hours are needed.

Mr. Bull thanked Mayor Garry and City Council members, he appreciates the different angles and requests not a complete waiver of fees, but a reduction of the fees.

City Manager Switzer recommends a suggestion to no fees being charged for tables and chairs and to reduce the space fee to \$250.00 per Councilman Bryant's suggestion. The total cost would be in the amount of \$250.00.

Mayor Garry stated under a charitable organization, a policy should be in place and if the policy should be in effect today.

Councilwoman Catalano stated the City should meet in the middle as Councilwoman Schunke mentioned by using all add-ons within the application and totaling in the amount of \$250.00. A non-charitable organization should have a reduction in fees in the amount of \$225.00. City Manager Switzer stated Councilwoman Catalano's suggestion is certainly an option. In the memo provided, the City would make a policy decision. Three events are scheduled to take place in April of 2021, which were all non-profits organizations who applied. The decision does not mean that the City Council could not come back and make changes. Mayor Garry suggested the application with the add-ons go in front of City Council again to make corrections and changes could be made in the future.

Councilman Bryant stated the Lions Club has provided a check in the amount of \$350.00. Councilman Bryant suggested to make \$250.00 refundable and \$100.00 would be a reasonable and fair fee if returning the community center in light condition.

Councilwoman Catalano stated she is more in favor of meeting in the middle with a \$225.00 break to the Lions Club.

Councilwoman Schunke asked if City Council would be approving a policy right now or just an approval of the Lions Club fees. City Manager Switzer stated the request from the Lions Club would be an elimination of fees, reduction of fees or to take no action at all with the fees and application remaining the same.

Councilman Bryant stated the City needs a type of precedence to civic and non-profit organizations that contributes to the community. The motion is specific for the Lions Club and the requested modification. Councilwoman Schunke agrees with Councilman Bryant.

Councilman Bryant made a motion to approve moving forward with a non-profit organization, the Yerington Lions Club by collecting \$250.00 as a refundable deposit with a one-time rental fee in the amount of \$100.00, seconded by Councilman Martin. Mayor Garry asked for objections with one objection. The motion was approved by a three to one vote with Councilwoman Catalano opposed to the motion.

Use up to \$110,000 of RTC Funds to Pave Approximately One-Thousand (1,000) Feet of Mountain View Street.

City Manager Switzer stated the request is to repave the trench work on Mountain View Street for the Water and Sewer Project. The repaving includes extending the pavement and road way structure by a two-block area by Virginia Street and Van Ness Avenue. City Manager stated the City is proposing at the staff level, the equipment is ready and to include grading off the two-block area while the City has the opportunity at this time. The City could decide to extend the pavement in the future, but that option would be costlier. The RTC funding is in the amount of about \$1,030,000.00 and the City can utilize this funding for streets. The paving is estimated in the amount of about \$105,000.00 to include a 30-foot road way.

Mayor Garry stated two members from residents in that area would like to provide comments. Mayor Garry stated Mr. Stewart Doshier had some comments and concerns. Mr. Doshier has two young children who enjoys walking to Mountain View Park. He has concerns of connecting south and north Mountain View Street, which would cause the speed limit to be increased. Mr. Doshier fears for the safety of the children in the neighborhood because of the huge issue with traffic and speeding. Mr. Doshier is petitioning the City to install a speed bump. Mr. Doshier provided his cell number to direct any questions. Mr. Brad Pope also provided a comment with concerns. Mr. Pope stated repaving Mountain View Street would be a bad idea because of increased traffic in the area and providing through street access from one end of town to the other. Mr. Pope stated Mountain View Street should not be included to be repaved.

Mr. Jason Borsini stated he lives on Mountain View Street and Gallagher. Mr. Borsini does not want the City to repave the two-block area because the Police Department will be busier. More stop signs would be needed or even a roundabout to help the flow of non-stop traffic. Mr. Borsini stated repaving would probably not provide sidewalks or curbs. Mr. Borsini asked if the speed limit would increase. Public Works Director Flakus stated the speed limit in town is twenty-five miles per hour. Mr. Borsini stated \$100,000.00 is a lot of money and should be used for the Kiss and Drop Project for the Lyon County School District.

Mrs. Gaylynn Smith stated she also lives on North Mountain View Street. On West Street around the curve to Mountain View Park, the street sign shows a speed limit posted of fifteen miles per hour. Main Street, Center Street and West Street provides through access to across town. Mrs. Smith stated repaving would cause a safety concern to the children living in the neighborhood. The Catholic Church has an easement to the Snyder's field and she requests this motion to not be approved.

Mr. Pete Miller bought his property because it was a quiet, small neighborhood. Mr. Miller stated the money should be spent to improve other streets. Mr. Miller stated Mr. Steve Grandinetti is also opposed to repaving the two-block area.

City Manager Switzer stated there are concerns to any project and the two-block area is not a primary roadway. The City needs to think about future development between Goldfield Avenue and Bridge Street. Repaving could provide safety to the streets, instead of having a direct route. The City should probably close off some streets north to south to help with traffic control.

Mayor Garry asked if any cost savings will be present. City Manager Switzer stated yes, the equipment and materials are currently there and repaving now would be way cheaper, compared to in the future.

Mayor Garry stated public participation has been closed, but he will open the public participation for one more comment. Mrs. Smith mentioned that Care Flight also goes along that route.

Mayor Garry stated that clearly everyone in the room does not want this to be approved, but other community members could want the repaving to be included. An additional consideration would include the cost being lower.

Councilwoman Catalano stated in the future, the City should look into the repaving but if it is not broken, don't fix it. Councilwoman Schunke agrees with Councilwoman Catalano.

Councilman Bryant lives in the neighborhood and sees a lot of children walking that route. Councilman Bryant stated as a through street, the traffic would become worse and suggested to wait on the repaving project.

Councilman Martin asked if the curbs and gutters are included in the total cost of \$105,000.00. City Manager Switzer stated the repaving does not include the curbs or gutter and the development would pay for those two installations on the property.

Councilwoman Catalano stated City Council discussed and decided to not proceed with using RTC funding to repave the two-block area along Mountain View Street. City Attorney Zumpft stated no second is needed if City Council wishes to not proceed. Mayor Garry asked for a vote and the vote was unanimous with the funding not be approved.

City Manager Switzer stated the repaving would occur on either side of the two-block area on Mountain View Street.

Approve a Presentation and Recommendation by Lyon County School District for the Kiss and Drop Program and/or Other Solutions to Pedestrian Safety.

Mr. Blake Cooper, Mrs. Shannon Coombs, Mr. Moyle, Mr. Desoto Dickson, and Officer Coombs are present to provide a presentation for the Lyon County School District. Mr. Cooper stated the Lyon County School District has concerns at all three schools

directly with street safety. About a month and a half ago, a child was hit by a car in front of the Yerington Elementary School due to darting in the road while crossing the street.

Mrs. Coombs would like to provide short-term and long-term solutions to the safety at all the schools. Teachers and staff of the school provides before school and after school flaggers to help the flow of traffic. Cars are not following the rules and ignoring the crossing guards.

Public Works Director Flakus offered to provide past information for the safety at the schools. The short-term solutions could present a four way stop at California Street and Broadway Avenue because cars are not slowing down. Speed bumps could be installed on California Street, Broadway Avenue and Oregon Street. The funding for the project has not been discussed. Crosswalks could be added in between Broadway Avenue and Pearl Street. Mrs. Coombs stated a video and awareness will be encouraged to educate parents and students on the proper way to cross a street. City Manager Switzer stated a loading and unloading zone could be provided on California Street, Broadway Avenue, Oregon Street and Pearl Street. Mrs. Coombs stated the long-term solution would be the Kiss and Drop, but the project fell through and the School District would like to continue the project. Engineering plans have already been created and the Lyon County School District is more than willing to cooperate.

Public Works Director Flakus stated the project needed to happen a long time. The zones to be addressed are the High School, the Intermediate School and the Elementary School. The City repainted the crosswalks in front of the Jeannie Dini Center with a piano key design. The four main areas with the issues are on Broadway Avenue, California Street, the bus zone, and Pearl Street. The main goal is to provide pedestrian safety. On Pearl Street, crosswalk flags were installed trying to get people to slow down, but the public destroyed the flags. The Kiss and Drop Project was designed by Farr West Engineering. The Lyon County School District paid \$10,000 and the City paid \$10,000.00 to have the drawings prepared. The drop off zones are to better direct traffic and to educate the parents. A grant was put in for the amount of \$500,000 to Nevada Department of Transportation (NDOT). NDOT stated a problem was present because the property was owned partly by the City and partly by the School District. Providing Broadway Avenue with a four-way stop is easy with ADA compliant sidewalks on all four corners. A power pole is right in the middle of the southwest corner.

Public Works Director Flakus stated another suggestion was to create a one-way road all the way along the school zone.

Chief of Police Wagner stated the school zone is not safe with the main use of this area only twenty minutes twice a day and five days a week. Stop and go traffic will not flow correctly and the solution could be the one-way traffic. The roads have poor drainage with water settling in the center and California Street has opposing traffic. Children get out of the vehicle on the west bound and traffic does not see the children crossing the street most times. Councilwoman Catalano agrees with Chief Wagner.

Councilwoman Catalano stated children are running out into traffic. Chief Wagner stated children's safety and traffic issues are leading to a big infrastructure problem. Public Works Director Flakus stated a former City Councilman hit a child in the School District back in the 1970's. Councilwoman Schunke stated this is definitely a problem and needs to be addressed.

City Manager Switzer stated the City does want to move forward with the project and beyond the discussion stage. Loading and unloading zones are needed and the City should start the process and City Manager Switzer applauds the School District.

Mr. Cooper stated the student that was hit is okay now and is looking forward to the long-term solution. The School District will help by researching funding and is looking forward to a new partnership with the City.

Councilwoman Schunke made a motion to approve the recommendation by the Lyon County School District for the Kiss and Drop Program and other solutions to Pedestrian Safety, seconded by Councilwoman Catalano. No objections were made and the motion was approved unanimously.

Accept the Dedication of Park Street to the City of Yerington from Nevada Rural Housing Authority.

City Manager Switzer stated the Deed of Dedication for Park Street began when Farr West Engineering found out the deed belonged to two different owners, Nevada Rural Housing Authority (NRHA) and Lyon County. Park Street provides a one-way access to Mountain View Park. The City already reports to the State of Nevada for fuel tax monies and the City has been maintaining this street. City Manager Switzer recommends to approve the deed of dedication and have the document recorded as well.

Councilman Bryant asked if the City would pay the \$1.00 amount to Lyon County. City Manager Switzer stated no, no money exchange needs to take place.

Public Works Director Flakus the contractor was going to remove four trees to the north of Park Street and only removed one tree instead because the City decided to have the water and sewer connections go down Park Street, but the City found out the street did not belong to the City.

Councilman Bryant made a motion to approve the Deed of Dedication of Park Street to the City of Yerington from the Nevada Rural Housing Authority, seconded by Councilwoman Schunke. No objections were made at this time and the motion carried unanimously.

Review Bills Previously Submitted for Payment

Bills, Salaries and Vouchers:

Accounts Payable Checks 02/09/2021 33333 through 33353

	02/09/2021	33354
	02/17/2021	33355 through 33408
	02/23/2021	33413 through 33440
	03/02/2021	33441 through 33454
Payroll Vouchers	02/08/2021	2112101 through 2112120
	02/22/2021	02252101 through 02252124
Payroll Checks	02/08/2021	33331
	02/22/2021	33409 through 33410
Transmittal Vouchers	02/08/2021	2082101
	02/22/2021	2222101
Transmittal Checks	02/08/2021	33332
	02/22/2021	33411 through 33412

Mayor Garry stated the bills previously submitted for payment would be approved unless there are any objections or corrections. No comments were made at this time and the bills previously submitted for payment were approved unanimously.

Department Reports

City Attorney Zumpft stated during the last legislative session, a change was made in the election proceedings. Instead of in June of odd years, the elections will take place in November of even years. The City is seeking for Lyon County to assist with the elections.

Chief Wagner stated the vehicle that was in the accident is currently in the body shop and should be out early next week. Another officer was hired and Chief Wagner is looking to hire the next officer within thirty to forty-five days. A full-time investigator is needed within the Yerington Police Department. The Police Department is very busy with several search warrants and the cases are more technical.

Public Works Director Flakus stated two major events happened last week.

1. A tree cutting company cut down a tree off of South Street and broke a water main. The tree destroyed three water meter pits. Public Works is repairing with the crew and sending the company a letter with a bill attached.

2. A ditch rider was burning tumbleweeds and lit a culvert on fire on Arrowleaf Parkway providing black smoke. The street is damaged and the City closed down the street leading to four or five houses with no access. Peri and Son's Farms made a road and are now driving through a field. The City owns the easement and an insurance claim was filed.

Mayor Garry stated the City is grateful to Q & D Construction.

City Manager Switzer stated the insurance company was contacted and a claim was filed to the City's roadway. The City met with representatives and is working with them on the issue. Landscaping at the new City Hall has started and will soon be put in place. March 31st is the grand opening ceremony for the City of Yerington. Rehearsals will take place the preceding Monday or Tuesday.

Councilman Bryant stated a reminder of the Public Safety meeting on March 17th at 1:00pm.

Councilwoman Catalano stated to turn your clocks ahead on Sunday.

Mayor Garry offered one more opportunity for public comments and no comments were made at this time.

City Manager Switzer stated to Mayor Garry to adjourn the meeting and reconvene. Mayor Garry asked City Council. City Council approved. Mayor Garry stated the meeting is adjourned at 11:32am and reconvened at about 12:00pm, noon.

Discussion on Fiscal Year 2021/22 Budget and 5-Year Strategic Planning.

Mayor Garry reconvened the meeting at 12:15pm.

City Manager Switzer stated a list of projects need to be reviewed and to consider for the upcoming budget year. The budget needs to be submitted before April 15th of this year. The list provides a preliminary idea as to what City Council feels what would be best to fund. The Department of Taxation performed a property evaluation and the amounts were from \$79,000,000.00 to \$123,000,000.00, which was excessive amounts within a one-year time frame. The consolidated tax revenue is down and the property tax revenue would increase \$40,000 to \$50,000 this year. The City did not lose revenue due to the pandemic. Activity within town is currently down bringing down the sales tax as well. The State of Nevada is providing money for cities and counties. Final figures for revenue from the State of Nevada will be known on March 15th. The City needs to discuss the projects listed.

1. Police Department Vehicle in the amount of \$57,000.00.

Chief Wagner stated every officer has a vehicle and the vehicle will be needed for the eighth officer position. The Crown Victoria will be driven until the

vehicle is no longer running. City Manager Switzer stated a vehicle should be purchased and the City should move forward.

Mayor Garry asked what happened to the last vehicle. Chief Wagner stated the vehicle estimated completion is March 12th, this Friday. Weekly updates are given and the date is subject to change. Custom Creations is the new body shop doing the repairs, the original body shop did not have the license to do the repairs.

City Manager Switzer stated to include the new vehicle purchase for a replacement purchase. Councilwoman Schunke asked if two vehicles need to be purchased. City Manager Switzer stated only one vehicle purchase is needed. City Council approved a motion previously bringing the count of the Yerington Police Department up to eight officers.

Mayor Garry asked if the Crown Victoria is used for fill in purposes. Chief Wagner stated no, there is not another vehicle to spare. Mayor Garry suggested to contact the Highway Patrol to see if they have hand me downs. Chief Wagner stated Highway Patrol does not know what vehicles can be spared. Mayor Garry stated one vehicle needs to be a spare for unforeseen events.

Chief Wagner suggested to create another position for a full-time investigator. Mayor Garry asked about a reserve program. Chief Wagner stated the Police Department did have a reserve program, but POOL/PACT cannot pay volunteers. Mayor Garry stated so many hours need to be put in to the reserve program, pay per diem with a certain number of hours to donate. Chief Wagner stated sixteen hours a month were donated and the volunteer was paid \$50.00 and suggested to partner with Lyon County.

Mayor Garry asked if the City can push to provide a position for an investigator. Councilwoman Schunke asked if the investigator position would need a vehicle. Chief Wagner stated yes, the Police Department is expanding and the new position would need everything.

Chief Wagner stated a public education type project at the Lyon County School District will provide traffic safety and awareness. A video will be made to provide to every class and more age appropriate videos will be provided to the Intermediate and High Schools.

City Manager Switzer stated public safety is the number one job within a community. To hire a new officer would be around \$125,000.00 and suggested to hire internally first. Councilwoman Catalano asked the cost for an officer to go to training. Chief Wagner stated the first and second week are covered by POOL/PACT and forty hours of training in Las Vegas. One hundred and thirty hours of training is needed to perform an investigator position. Councilman Martin asked if the City should join forces with Lyon County. City Manager Switzer stated he has approached Lyon County about the topic and suggested to cost share

personnel and equipment. Chief Wagner stated a lot of the community would be opposed to joining forces. City Manager Switzer suggested in order to raise revenue, the City could ask voters for a tax levy one time or over a period of time.

Councilman Martin stated the Yerington Police Department has ten to eleven employees total. Chief Wagner stated the goal is to never have only one officer on shift by themselves. Councilwoman Catalano asked if the officers have a scheduled patrol. Chief Wagner stated a list of tasks is given to each officer for each shift. Calls and reports are to be performed, but no one gets to the bottom of the list.

Councilman Bryant suggested if sedans could be purchased instead. Chief Wagner that would be fine, if the City has that number of officers. One Crown Victoria is split between three officers right now. Councilwoman Catalano stated Chief Wagner should get in contact with Highway Patrol and if the City can be notified first of any vehicles they are getting rid of. Chief Wagner stated he is unaware if the Highway Patrol will be getting rid of any vehicles.

2. Public Works Vehicle for Public Works Chief in the amount of \$35,000.00.

The City is looking to purchase another vehicle for the Public Works Chief similar to the amount of Public Works Director Flakus' pickup around the amount of \$33,500.00. The Public Works Department has not purchased any new vehicles. Two vehicles have been given to Public Works and some have been reported as non-drivable vehicles to be on the street. A grant was received from the United States Department of Agriculture (USDA) in 2009 and Public Works Chief Becker is currently driving this vehicle.

City Manager Switzer stated the City begin to replace vehicles for the Public Works Department. Public Works Director Flakus stated Public Works does not need to purchase brand new vehicles, only a functioning vehicle.

Councilman Bryant stated the City has been set up with a General Motors (GM) fleet account at Wild West Chevrolet. The account includes a power terrain warranty up to six years or one hundred thousand miles instead of sixty thousand miles, which is an additional cost savings.

Councilman Martin asked if the City can use the COVID money to purchase vehicles. City Manager Switzer stated possibly for the Police Department, but not for Public Works. Under the CARES Act, the Public Works Department does not count. Public Works Director Flakus added the purchases need to be able to be tied directly to COVID. City Manager Switzer stated the grant is to mitigate the spread of COVID. For example, the air filtration system at City Hall was covered under the grant.

3. Remodel Gymnasium with Acoustic Panels and Paint the floor in the amount of \$15,000.00.

City Manager Switzer stated three organizations want to rent the community center or the gymnasium area. Three organizations in June of 2021 and possibly the Yerington High School prom. City Manager Switzer stated to paint the floors a uniform color with panels to help the audio to absorb the noise and blinds.

4. Airport Complaints of Weeds and Trash in the amount of \$15,000.00.

City Manager Switzer stated complaints have been made towards the Airport reporting the condition. Thirty hangars are at the Airport and not a lot of revenue is coming in currently. Until a revenue stream starts coming in, a net negative will occur. Weeds and trash have been reported to be a big issue. The Master Plan needs to be current and is in the process. Replacing the taxiway was in the amount of \$3,250,000.00. The navigation system to pilot in weather, PAPI lights and runway end lights will be also be replaced.

City Manager Switzer stated a corporate presence would be a good idea to have at the Airport. The person operating out of hangar number eight has vehicles and is not a good site. Councilwoman Catalano asked if the City leases hangar number eight. City Manager Switzer stated the City leases the commercial kitchen out of hangar number eight. To rent a hangar from the City costs one hundred and twenty-five dollars a year.

City Manager Switzer stated the Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) requires Airport activity and not storage activity. Councilwoman Catalano stated that the use of a hangar cannot be used for personal use within a lease. City Manager Switzer stated the City can bring action and serve notice to inspect the hangar. Councilwoman Catalano asked if the City can serve a twenty-four-hour notice. City Manager Switzer half of the lease holders do not live within Yerington. The City's lease structure needs to change based on cost and the lease. Mayor Garry asked if the City is giving out ten-year leases. City Manager Switzer stated a ten-year lease is standard based on Airports. Public Works Director Flakus stated the City does not own the hangars and that is why there are ten-year leases. City Manager Switzer stated the City should explore five-year leases. The City could propose to City Council a general ordinance to change fees based on Consumer Pricing Index (CPI). Small increases should occur over a period of time so the City does not lose any money. City Council would have the final decision and approval. The City will be working with City Attorney Zumpft to charge the correct fees relating to the CPI's.

5. Utility Rate Increases.

City Manager Switzer stated Farr West Engineering has the Rate Study almost completed and will be at City Hall this Friday, the 12th. The City will be

provided with options and the options will be presented to City Council for approval. The City is far behind on the rates and the structure. Impact fees will be tied in to the increased demand on service. The City needs to provide the service but the City will not see the revenue until one or two years later. By April of 2021, the proposed utility rate increases will be presented to City Council.

6. City Airport Hangar to install New Siding in the amount of \$8,000.00.

City Manager Switzer stated the Civil Air Patrol gave the City two hangars. The structure needs to be reviewed and changed if necessary. The hangar has some siding issues that need to be repaired or replaced in the amount of about \$8,000.00.

City Manager Switzer asked if the City should put the money into it, then lease out the hangar. Councilwoman Catalano asked the kind of siding to be replaced with. City Manager Switzer stated steel. Public Works Director Flakus stated strips of steel material because the sheet metal is damaged. The City could earn revenue with the siding being replaced. Councilwoman Catalano asked how big is the hangar. City Manager Switzer stated big enough for one small plane. Mayor Garry asked what amount did the City rent the other hangar for. City Manager Switzer stated the City has received revenue in the amount of about \$2,000.00 for the lease of the other hangar. One of the leases was crafted to store items for a business and the hangar does not have an airplane. Mayor Garry asked about the cost benefit to the City. City Manager Switzer stated it will cost \$8,000.00 to repair the hangar and about \$2,000.00 a year in revenue.

City Manager Switzer stated the hangars that the City leases out is about the same as the cost of the aviation fuel. Landing at the Yerington Municipal Airport is free of charge. Public Works Director Flakus stated that the City does charge a landing fee. City Manager Switzer stated yes, a landing fee is charged but only after thirty days. The charge is within the City's Ordinance to be charged after a thirty-day period.

7. Public Works Cat 299 DB Compact Loader in the amount of \$117,000.00.

Public Works Director Flakus stated the purchase of a compact loader would help the Public Works Department to perform more work duties. The compact loader machine would be used in all areas within the City to include a broom to maintain the taxiway at the Airport, weed maintenance at the Airport, surface repairs on the streets and to assist in the Water and Sewer Project.

8. Water Storage Tanks Cleaning in the amount of \$30,000.00.

City Manager Switzer stated the water storage tanks need to be cleaned. A robot or diver need to inspect and vacuum up the sediment within the tanks. Recleaning needs to be completed every five years.

9. Electronic Message Sign in the amount of \$75,000.00.

City Manager Switzer stated the message board sign needs to be replaced and will replace the current message sign. Public Works Director Flakus stated the current message board sign is dead and needs to be replaced.

10. PERS increases, the Police Department increases by 1.5% and Other Employees increases by 0.5%.

City Manager Switzer stated the State of Nevada mandates a change to PERS every two years. The Police Department will have a 1.5% increase to PERS and other employees will have a 0.5% increase to PERS. The employees will receive an increase by 0.25% and a 0.5% increase to employers. The increase is mandated and required to occur. City Manager Switzer does not have a proposal currently but the CPI average is 2.2% per year. Regular employees pay will increase by 2.2%, with a need to increase PERS by 2.5%.

Public Participation

Mayor Garry asked for comments, no comments were made at this time.

There being no further business the meeting was adjourned.

Mayor of the City of Yerington

ATTEST:

City Clerk of the City of Yerington