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NV Energy Donates \$75,000 to Marzen House

Grant to Bring Electricity and New life to Historic Lovelock Museum Site

By Stephanie Minor

In a heartwarming moment of partnership between community, corporate stewardship, and local heritage, NV Energy announced a \$75,000 grant to the Marzen House Museum during the July 16 Pershing County Commission meeting. The funds will be used to bring full power to the museum’s existing outbuilding and to energize exciting new expansions on the horizon.

Presenting the project were Chloe Chisholm, Tony Gildone, and Michael Mathewson of NV Energy, and local lineman Eli Kiel, all of NV Energy, alongside museum advocate and commissioner Bonnie Skoglie, who has long championed improvements to the historic site.

The grant will allow for permanent electric service to be extended to the museum’s satellite buildings—some of which have never had power. It also clears the way for the museum to accept and display an extensive 1907 historical collection, which will be housed in new buildings planned for the property.

“This is a big deal for Lovelock,” said Skoglie, addressing fellow commissioners. “Our museum isn’t just for us, it’s a connection point for tourists, schoolchildren, and families who come here to understand the roots of this place. This grant lights the way forward.”

The Marzen House Museum, perched on the edge of the city, preserves artifacts and memories from Pershing County’s ranching, mining, and pioneer past. It is a treasured resource for locals and visitors alike, often used for tours, field trips, and community events.

Representatives from NV Energy said they were proud to support the project, noting the effort required to make it happen. From field assessments to logistics coordination with the County and museum staff, the process spanned many months and involved collaboration at every level.

“This is about keeping history alive,” Gildone said. “And it’s also



Members of the Pershing County Marzen House Museum Advisory Board and NV Energy, left to right: Darlene Vonsild, Frank Fisk, Dena Austin, Lucas Montes, Tiny Gildone, Mike Mathewson, Jack Hursh. Front: Bonnie Skoglie, Wendy Nelsen.

about doing something tangible for the community we serve.”

The \$75,000 grant comes as part of NV Energy’s broader commitment to supporting rural communities and preserving cultural heritage throughout the state. For Lovelock, it’s more than a utility upgrade, it’s a long-term investment in the stories that make this small town shine.

Plans are already underway to begin infrastructure improvements this year. Once the buildings are powered, staff and volunteers can begin designing the new exhibits to feature the 1907 collection and expand the museum’s capacity to host school groups and tourists year-round.

“This is about honoring our past and making sure future generations can experience it firsthand,” said Skoglie. “And thanks to NV Energy, we can keep that legacy glowing.”

City Website Gets a Fresh Look—And a Community Shout-Out

By Rachel Dahl

Lovelock’s city website is sporting some modern updates and focus on celebrating the community, thanks to recent efforts by city staff to make information more accessible, and more fun.

During Tuesday’s council meeting, Nicole Reitz shared her latest project: showcasing photos submitted by community members who were asked to send in images of the parts of Lovelock they love most. The photos were turned into a colorful slideshow now featured on the city’s website.

“It’s really nice to see how engaged people are,” Reitz said. “I’ve added links and information to help folks navigate resources more easily, from housing help to local events.”

The update is part of an ongoing push to make city communications



more interactive and community-driven. The Lovelock Facebook page has been especially active, with timely posts, meeting notices, and creative campaigns like this one:

The latest effort on social media to celebrate our community...

Hey Lovelock... we’re being nosey (in the best way)!

Have you seen a yard that made you do a double take? One that screams, “I’ve got my life together AND a green thumb”?

Snap a pic of the prettiest, quirkiest, or most jaw-dropping yard you’ve spotted around town and drop it in the comments below! Let’s show some love to those neighbors putting forth the effort. Bonus points if you

know whose yard it is and want to shout them out!


It’s a simple, charming way to celebrate the beauty in everyday Lovelock, and the people who make it shine, and goes a long way to bringing the community together.



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FROM THE PUBLISHER

Captain’s Log

Mea Culpa

By Rachel Dahl

There are so many things to write about, but since this column originated to document the life of *The Fallon Post* and our growth into our neighboring communities, today I have to apologize and confess to a big mistake we made last week in the Fallon paper.

We have begged forgiveness from the Churchill County School District and worked with them to get the right information and have got it all fixed now, and hope the redo will restores community confidence in what we’re doing, normally quite well.

We take this situation very seriously, and three of us spent a sleepless Friday night ago-nizing and troubleshooting to figure out how we managed this—and more importantly, how to ensure it never happens again.

For the past year, we've been struggling with the cloud service we use for all our files and from which we all work each week to produce the paper. I will refrain from naming the program (which we call an unholy men-ace). Uttering those two words results in an immediate twitch in my left eye and has been known to induce a full-blown anxiety attack. Suffice it to say we struggle. Files don't sync properly and, and, and... I'll spare you the distressing details and the agony it's been trying to keep everyone on the same page.

We all finally grew tired of this very popular and commonly used platform that never worked properly, so much so that our Leanna, the highly talented investigative reporter and editor (to whom all technology problems are defaulted), pulled the plug and found us another platform that has worked like a dream. However, we are still learning how to navigate our new tool.

You know what they say about technology, however: “Garbage in, garbage out.” Rigg-in is one of our most dedicated and capable in-

terns—driven, eager to learn, and always willing to tackle big assignments. He took on the responsibility of covering the Fallon school board meeting and worked hard to write two stories he felt were important: one about the board's recent conference, which was scheduled to run last week, and another that focused on the meeting and financial matters, which was supposed to run this week.

Unfortunately, the rough, unedited version that addressed the fiscal decisions made at the meeting was mistakenly saved under the filename for the convention story. That error resulted in the entirely wrong (and completely unedited) article, being published on-line and in print.

And from there it all went badly.

We all sincerely apologize for letting that story slip through.

So, while we hang our heads over here and work on perfecting our processes, please know that we always aim to get it right in the first place. When we don't, we will always make it right, and we are grateful you let us remain right here...

...Keeping you Posted.

—*Rach*
And the team.

Rachel Dahl is a sixth-generation Nevadan who owns Fallon Media Co. and prints The Fernley Reporter, The Fallon Post, and now The Pershing Post, local community newspapers focused on providing “An Oasis in the Rural Nevada News Desert.” She also publishes an online, rural news site called the Silver State Chronicle. She raises chickens and English Angora rabbits, spinning their wool into yarn. In her spare time, she is learning to knit.



PET OF THE WEEK

Coffee Creamer is Available for Adoption



Say hello to Coffee Creamer, she is approximately 9 weeks old and is not spayed. She is friendly and loveable. If you want to learn more, don’t hesitate to reach out!

The City of Lovelock Animal Shelter is at 700 Meridian, Lovelock and can be reached by calling 775-273-7297.

If you would like to make a donation to the Lovelock Animal Shelter please call 775-273-7297.

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Nevada

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FUN EVENTS

FEATURES

Nevada Mining Association Recognizes 2025 Mine Safety Leaders

Twenty-Six Mine Operations and Three Contractors Honored for Putting Safety First Across the Silver State



Representatives from Nevada Gold Mines celebrate the company's 2024 Safety Award recipients during last year's Celebration of Excellence at the Nevada Mining Association Convention.

By Rachel Dahl

The Nevada Mining Association (NVMA) has announced its 2025 Mine Operator and Contractor Safety Awards, recognizing the companies that are setting the standard for workplace safety in Nevada’s mining industry.

This year’s list of honorees includes 26 mine operations and 3 contractors that achieved top safety marks in 2024. Winners were selected based on rigorous data from the Mine Safety and Health Administration (MSHA), including workforce size, hours worked, incident rates, and penalties for lost-time accidents.

“Workplace safety isn’t just a priority, it’s a core value that runs through every shift at every mine site,” said Amanda Hilton, NVMA President. “These award recipients exemplify the commitment it takes to keep our workers safe and our operations running responsibly. It’s an honor to celebrate their work.”

Among the top performers were several operations from Nevada

Gold Mines, which received awards across multiple categories—from underground to surface mines, large and small. Locally, Florida Canyon Mine, operated by Integra, earned a third-place finish in the Surface – Medium category, further highlighting Pershing County’s continued leadership in safe and sustainable mining.

Also receiving top honors were sites like Lithium Americas’ Thacker Pass, U.S. Silica’s Colado Mine near Lovelock, and i-80 Gold’s Ruby Hill Mine in Eureka. In the contractor category, N.A. Degerstrom, Inc. stood out with wins at both the Goldbar and Rossi mines, along with Small Mine Development at Leeville.

Many awardees earned the coveted “triple zero” status—no reportable injuries, no lost-time incidents, and no days of restricted duty throughout 2024.

The awards will be presented at a special reception during the NVMA’s annual convention on September 5, where attendees will also recognize 47 individual safety award honorees announced earlier this summer.

For more information and a full list of award recipients, visit www.nevadamining.org

2025 NVMA Operator Safety Award Recipients

FIRST PLACE N.A. Degerstrom, Inc., Goldbar Mine Small Mine Development, Leeville N.A. Degerstrom, Inc., Rossi Mine	SURFACE – MEDIUM (100-299 Employees) 1st: Nevada Gold Mines Genesis 2nd: Nevada Gold Mines Goldstrike Roaster Operations 3rd: Florida Canyon, an Integra Company Florida Canyon Mine	UNDERGROUND – MEDIUM (100-299 Employees) 1st: Nevada Gold Mines Pete Bajo 2nd: Nevada Gold Mines Exodus 3rd: Nevada Gold Mines Goldrush
AGGREGATE 1st: Ames Construction Inc. Ames Backfill Portable Crusher 1st: Granite Construction Company Lockwood Quarry 1st: Q&D Construction LLC Mustang Quarry	SURFACE – SMALL (1-99 Employees) 1st: Equinox Gold Pan Mine 1st: Jerritt Canyon Gold LLC Jerritt Canyon Mill 1st: Fortitude Gold Isabella Pearl Mine 1st: Hycroft Resources & Development Hycroft Mine 1st: i-80 Gold Corp. Ruby Hill Mine	UNDERGROUND – SMALL (1-99 Employees) 1st: Nevada Gold Mines El Nino
NON-METALS 1st: Lhoist North America Amargosa Quarry and Plant 1st: Lithium Americas Thacker Pass 1st: U.S. Silica Colado Mine 1st: U.S. Silica Fernley Operations 1st: PABCO Building Products LLC PABCO Gypsum Apex Quarry	UNDERGROUND – LARGE (300+ Employees) 1st: Nevada Gold Mines Cortez District - Underground 2nd: Nevada Gold Mines Leeville 3rd: Nevada Gold Mines Turquoise Ridge	FIRST PLACE N.A. Degerstrom, Inc., Goldbar Mine Small Mine Development, Leeville N.A. Degerstrom, Inc., Rossi Mine
SURFACE – LARGE (300+ Employees) 1st: KGHM International LTD Robinson Operation 2nd: Kinross Gold Corporation Round Mountain Mine 3rd: Nevada Gold Mines Gold Quarry South Area		



COMMUNITY

Obituary

LAMONTE “MONTY” JEFFREY DUFFY
September 12, 1952 – June 23, 2025
LaMonte “Monty” Jeffrey Duffy passed away peacefully on June 23, 2025 at Renown Medical Center after a long battle with cancer. He was born September 12, 1952 in Reno to George David Duffy and Katherine (Dakon) Duffy. He spent his young childhood in Wadsworth and teenage years between Sacramento, Fernley, and Limerick Canyon. He and his brothers helped his dad build the castle on Duffy Lane near Fernley, Nevada.

In the late 60s early 70s George Sr. started mining for gold in the Humboldt range both Beuna Vista and Limerick Canyon. His sons followed suit, an mining was always in Monty’s blood. His dreams were in Limerick Canyon. He spent most of his adult life prospecting and mining his claims. Raising his daughters, riding horses, hunting, fishing, and 4x4 cruising in the mountains he called home. He



loved the cabin and pond, fondly referred to as “Duffyville and Dogs,” where many children caught their first fish and many children and adults panned for their first piece of gold. Monty also loved his time spent in his garden, and with his livestock on his hobby farm. He was a great storyteller, spinning tales of the gold in the ground, the deer in the mountains, and the flat landers that would come to visit with him, his family, and all of the many animals.

Monty is survived by his four daughters; Monica (Phil) Lane, Genevieve Duffy Pierce, Charlsie (Cody) Duffy Wilcox, and Katherine (Joe) Duffy Schripsema; his grandchildren, Haley Lane, Colton and Ashley Pierce, Joseph and Jeffery Schripsema, and Briahna Wilcox;

his brother, George Duffy; and his half siblings, John Duffy and Leason Duffy.

A Celebration of Life - aka wild man weekend - for those of you who knew him, will be held in September 2025 at the “mine site & pond” in Lovelock.

Beats and Bites Returns to GBC Elko Campus

Staff Report

Beats and Bites, the summer food truck series hosted by the Great Basin College Foundation, is returning to the Great Basin College Elko Campus this summer. This event will feature a variety of local food trucks, vendors, live music, a bar, and interactive activities for the whole family.

Join us on the fourth Thursday of each month from May through September at 5:00 p.m. Everyone is welcome to purchase food, picnic on the grass, and enjoy the sights and sounds of summer at Great Basin College.

REMAINING EVENT DATES AND LIVE MUSIC:
July 24 - Due Tide
August 21 - Muddy Boots and The Porch Pounders
September 25 - Entertainment to be announced

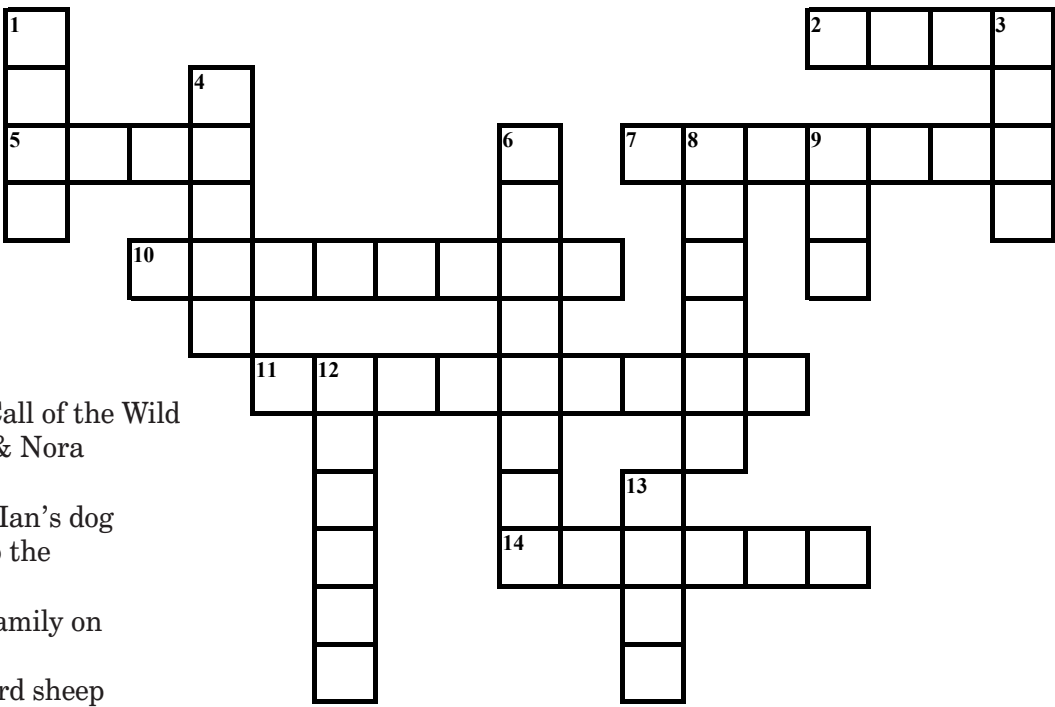
If you are a food truck or vendor interested in participating, please contact hillary.baker@gbcnv.edu. We would love to have your business join our lineup.



Muddy Boots and The Porch Pounders.

Crossword

By Peanut



Across

- 2. She took care of Wendy, John & Michael
- 5. From the mind of Stephen King
- 7. Harry Potter’s godfather’s animagus
- 10. The Red Dog
- 11. Died in Disney classic film
- 14. Charlie Brown’s beagle

Down

- 1. He answered The Call of the Wild
- 3. Worked with Nick & Nora Charles
- 4. Outlander’s Young Ian’s dog
- 6. Guards the gates to the Underworld
- 8. Lived with Banks family on Cherry Tree Lane
- 9. Teaches Babe to herd sheep
- 12. Timmy’s pal & savior
- 13. Terrier on yellow brick road

[Crossword answers found on page 5]

Healthy Teens Backpack Program

The Family Resource Center is hosting free, one-day Healthy Teens programs in Lovelock for students in grades 5–12. Youth who complete the full program will receive a free school backpack filled with supplies just in time for the new school year!

Students entering grades 5–7 can attend on Monday, July 29th from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m.
Students entering grades 8–12 can attend on Tuesday, July 30th from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m.
Both sessions will take place at the Pershing County Library, 1125 Central Ave. Lunch and snacks will be provided.
The program is evidence-based and medically accurate, covering topics such as reproductive health, personal safety, healthy relationships, effective communication, boundary setting, and goal planning.
A parent or guardian must sign a permission slip, which can be completed at drop-off the morning of the event. To register, call 775-753-7352, text 775-397-1874, or email teenhealth@elkofrc.org.

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July 29th
10 AM - 5 PM

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July 30th
10 AM - 5 PM

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GOVERNMENT

Desert Research Institute to Help Shape Pershing County’s First Water Plan

Commission Approves Partnership with DRI to Address Future Needs and Local Water Security

By Rachel Dahl

At their July 16 meeting, the Pershing County Commission unanimously approved a partnership with the Desert Research Institute (DRI) to create a comprehensive water plan for the county, marking a major step forward in understanding and managing local water resources.

The presentation, led by DRI’s Alexandra Lutz, outlined the scope and significance of the project. The plan will identify current water sources, forecast future needs, and

offer strategies for conservation, development, and sustainability across municipal, agricultural, and industrial uses. Lutz emphasized the importance of tailoring the plan to Pershing County’s unique geography and economy. “Water planning isn’t one-size-fits-all,” she said. “This is about building something locally meaningful that supports your community’s long-term resilience.” Commissioners expressed strong support for the effort, noting ongoing challenges with drought, agricultural demand, and population growth. The plan will serve as a key resource for both future infrastructure investment and land use planning. The project will be funded through exist-

ing state and federal water planning grants, requiring no direct cost to the county. “This is exactly the kind of forward-looking work we need,” commissioner Chuck Sayles said. “We’ve waited long enough to take a more proactive stance on water.” The county joins a growing list of rural Nevada communities working with DRI to build local water plans designed to prepare for shifting hydrologic conditions, climate change, and competing demands on scarce water supplies. The planning process is expected to begin later this summer, with public outreach and stakeholder engagement to follow in the fall.

Nevadaworks Highlights Workforce Development Efforts

Regional Board Outlines Resources for Job Training, Youth Employment, and Economic Growth

By Rachel Dahl

During the July 16 meeting of the Pershing County Commission, representatives from Nevadaworks delivered a presentation on the wide range of workforce development services available to counties across Northern Nevada, including Pershing.

Nevadaworks, the federally funded workforce development board for the region, partners with schools, employers, and training providers to connect people with the skills and support they need to succeed in today’s job market. Their programs are especially focused on preparing youth for employment, retraining displaced workers, and addressing critical labor shortages in rural areas. Commissioners expressed interest in how Nevadaworks could support local priorities, such as improving job access for high school graduates, offering pathways into skilled trades, and connecting res-

idents with certifications and apprenticeships. A key point in the discussion was how Nevadaworks funding is flexible, allowing the organization to collaborate with local schools, libraries, and community groups to host job fairs, soft skills workshops, and industry-specific training. “This is a great resource we haven’t tapped into nearly enough,” commissioner Connie Gottschalk said, encouraging county departments and local employers to engage with Nevadaworks in future planning. With workforce development becoming an increasingly urgent issue in rural Nevada, especially with emerging industries like lithium recycling and advanced manufacturing on the rise, commissioners welcomed the opportunity to strengthen ties with the regional board. Nevadaworks staff encouraged the county to consider appointing a liaison or representative to regularly engage with their programs, ensuring Pershing County remains eligible for funding and project support moving forward.

County Commission Report

By Rachel Dahl

The Pershing County Commissioners covered a wide-ranging agenda at their July 16 regular meeting, held in the lower-level Round Room of the Courthouse. Highlights included a formal agreement to develop a county water plan, updates from local fire departments, and a workforce development presentation from Nevadaworks.

Concerns Raised Over Water Leaks at Big Meadow Cemetery
A member of the public, Denise Monk-Davis brought forward her concern about water leakage at the Big Meadow Cemetery in Lovelock, reporting that she and her mother noticed on July 2 that irrigation runoff had begun to run into the grave of her aunt and there was a hole in the grave. “And then last Monday we stopped by the cemetery and found that another hose had broken on the northern-most driveway and the water was running down the driveway and into several graves. There were a lot more graves that were flooded.” Cheryl Haas, Cemetery Director, confirmed that the cemetery is experiencing issues with broken and leaking irrigation lines. She explained that water is being shut off when possible, but persistent line failures and outdated infrastructure are making the situation difficult to manage. Commissioners acknowledged the seriousness of the issue and indicated that it may be time to consider a broader upgrade of the cemetery’s irrigation system. Staff will continue investigating the water source and exploring potential solutions.

WILDLAND FIRE PREPAREDNESS & LOCAL FIRE REPORTS
The commission approved a new two-year contract with the Nevada Division of Forestry as part of the state’s Wildland Fire Protection Program, securing services through 2027. Fire chiefs from Lovelock, Grass Valley, Rye Patch, and Imlay provided brief updates on activity levels, volunteer coverage, and equipment status. Discussions included ongoing needs for training and inter-agency coordination.

BLM UPDATE
Sam Burton of the Winnemucca District Office provided a brief update on federal land issues affecting Pershing County. He reported that fire conditions remain a top concern across the region, especially with the dry summer pattern settling in. He shared that

while fire activity has been relatively quiet so far, the BLM remains in a high-alert posture and is coordinating closely with local volunteer departments, the Nevada Division of Forestry, and county emergency management. He also noted that several grazing permit renewals and allotment assessments are currently in process, and encouraged ranchers and permittees to stay in communication with their field offices. Commissioners took the opportunity to voice ongoing concerns about communication gaps between federal agencies and rural counties when it comes to land use decisions, fire fuel management, and access. Burton acknowledged the challenges and reiterated BLM’s willingness to work closely with the county: “We know how important it is to keep our local partners in the loop, especially as we head into the peak of fire season and continue land planning work,” he said.

BUILDINGS & GROUNDS
The county approved two equipment-related expenditures, including a \$9,965 purchase of a 7’x14’ dump trailer and a final \$19,000 payment for a bucket truck from Newmans Dirt Work.

EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT
Commissioners accepted the donation of a Mass Casualty Incident trailer from the Nevada Department of Health and Human Services. IT & Recycling: Both departments gave brief operational updates with no action taken.

DISTRICT ATTORNEY
Approval was granted to advertise and hire for a vacant legal secretary or admin clerk position in anticipation of upcoming staffing changes.

ROUTINE BUSINESS
The Commission approved prior meeting minutes and reviewed expenditures. Reports were also received from Clerk-Treasurer Lacey Donaldson, Auditor Melanie Hamilton, and Assessor Laureen Basso-Cerini. The Commission also reviewed a bond cap transfer request from Nevada Rural Housing, heard from the Imlay Town Board on mosquito abatement services, and approved the removal of a 2011 Ford Taurus from county inventory.

The county commission meets the first and third Wednesdays at 8:30 a.m. at the Pershing County Courthouse.

SPORTS

Mustang Youth Team Gets Green Light to Pursue Dog Park Project

Lovelock Youth Group Receives Council Support to Apply for Grant Funding for a New Community Dog Park at Amherst (Strip) Park

By Rachel Dahl

During the last Lovelock City Council meeting, the Mustang Youth Team (MYT), in partnership with Frontier Community Coalition, received unanimous approval to move forward with a grant application to fund the creation of a community dog park at Amherst Park, commonly known as the Strip Park.

The project, led by local youth, aims to provide a safe, designated off-leash space for dogs and their owners within city limits. “We’re excited to take on this project and give back to our community in a lasting way,” MYT said in a statement following the meeting. “This is about bringing people (and pups!) together and leaving a positive mark on Lovelock.”

The team is applying for the T-Mobile Hometown Grant, which would cover the full cost of fencing, signage, benches, and waste stations, ensuring the project comes at no financial cost to the city. During their presentation, team representatives emphasized that they’re committed to working with city staff to ensure the park meets all standards and improves the space.



Councilmembers Jordan, Kristen, and Bonnie were thanked by the group for their support. “BIG thank you to Councilwomen Jordan, Kristen, and Bonnie for voting YES and allowing us to move forward,” MYT shared.

The dog park would be the latest in a series of civic projects spearheaded by the youth team, which has a strong track record of leading community improvements focused on health, safety, and beautification.

Councilmembers discussed potential locations within the park, including an area near the pickleball courts, and encouraged the team to plan for ongoing maintenance, such as refilling dog waste bags.

A formal motion was made and passed to authorize the grant application and provide a letter of support from the city.

“Stay tuned—this is just the beginning,” the Mustang Youth Team said on their social media.

Mustangs Make a Statement at Eastern Football Camp



Pershing County Mustangs Football.

Staff Report

The Pershing County Mustangs hit the road this summer, traveling to Eastern Oregon University in La Grande for football camp, a return more than a decade in the making. This year, 32 players made the long trek north, bringing with them grit, determination, and a whole lot of Mustang pride.

The team was honored to be the first ever allowed to stay in EOU’s brand-new Field House, a milestone that reflects the program’s growing reputation. Coaches praised the players’ commitment, noting their focus and effort throughout the week-long training.

The highlight of the trip came during the camp’s main event—the Mountie Bowl—where the Mustangs went a perfect 4-0, earning top honors and serious bragging rights in front of teams from across the region.

With camp complete and momentum on their side, the Mustangs are charging full speed into the upcoming season.

Lovelock City Council Adopts No-Smoking Ordinance for Public Parks

Community Request Led by Mustang Youth Team Results in Policy Change

By Rachel Dahl

At their regular meeting on July 15, the Lovelock City Council held a public hearing and approved an ordinance prohibiting smoking and tobacco use in public parks, an effort sparked by the Mustang Youth Team (MYT) and supported by several residents.

During the hearing, councilmember Jordan McKinney recalled the community cleanup day she participated in with her children. “We did the Strip Park by ourselves,” she said. “We picked up thousands of cigarette butts.”



The new ordinance classifies smoking in city parks as a civil infraction, not a misdemeanor, allowing for warnings and citations without requiring major legal involvement. Law enforcement officials voiced support, noting it gave them a useful tool without overburdening the system.

Council members agreed that enforcement could be as simple as posting signage, and that the policy would reflect the city’s efforts to make parks cleaner and more family-friendly.

“This won’t cost us anything,” councilwoman Bonnie Skoglie said. “And it helps protect our public spaces.”

Residents were largely supportive, with one pointing out how effective similar signage had been in other communities. Another noted that many locals would be willing to speak up if they saw someone breaking the rule.

The ordinance passed unanimously. Signs indicating smoke-free zones will be posted at all city parks in the coming weeks.



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LAW AND ORDER

Arrest Made in Storey County Horse Abuse Case

Staff Report

On July 12, the Storey County Sheriff’s Office served a warrant issued by the Virginia Township Justice Court on Sally Summers of Gold Hill. Deputies placed Summers under arrest pursuant to the warrant on 20 counts of animal abuse/neglect and one count of resisting a public officer. Summers was taken into custody and booked at the Storey County Detention Facility, with a total bail of \$20,640.00. This is still an active and ongoing investigation. Further charges are pending.

The sheriff’s office responded to a report of possible animal abuse on July 4. Deputies found 18 horses and burros in poor health and opened an investigation. The animals were removed on July 7 by the sheriff’s office and local animal rescue organizations, and received veterinary care and rehabilitation.

Arrest Reports

All information for the arrest reports provided by the Pershing County Sheriff’s Office and is considered by law to be public information. All subjects are innocent until proven guilty in a court of law.

Total Incidents	305
Calls for Service	130
Deputy Initiated Incidents	175
Traffic Stops	27
Other OIA Incidents	148
Bus/Building Checks	92
Veh/Ped Check	9



JULY 7, 2025
Romero Roman-Varilla Jr, 23, of Sparks NV, was booked for a bench warrant.






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