

Lynn Forsberg

Lynn served in the U.S. Navy from 1970 – 1973. His training was in avionics electronics. He was on the USS Ranger and the USS Kittyhawk.

After the Navy, Lynn attended college in Salt Lake City and was awarded a Diploma in Building Construction.

From 1982-1985, Lynn was Public Works Forman for Wendover, Utah, where he supervised all city crews, set up contracts for landfills and garbage hauling, handled maintenance and purchasing of emergency vehicles, worked with the Air Force on the Wendover Airport and started his participation in the economic development process and his involvement in the Community Development Block Grant Program through the State of Nevada. Some of the projects overseen by Lynn were the development of the Pilot Peak Springs system, including Nielson and Muncie Springs; replaced 2 miles of existing 8” water main; rerouted the main transmission line from Leppy Pass to Wendover- approximately 5.5 miles of 10” and 12” water line; built the chlorination station and a million gallon concrete tank. He also contracted to install water meters on all residences in Wendover and assisted with growth analyses for the city water and wastewater systems.

In 1985, he was hired by the Town of West Wendover as Public Works Director. He held this job until 1990. While there, he acted as inspector for streets, pipelines, service taps and grading. He oversaw various sewer and water line extensions and street/storm drainage improvements. He enacted water audits, hydrant and valve maintenance programs, regular sewer cleaning and street/storm drainage maintenance programs. He also insured the proper maintenance and continued planning for the main water transmission lines into town, and the operation of pumps and wells in the Silverzone Pass area. Many projects were completed for the Wendover Pipeline Administrative Authority, some of which are: drilling of 8 test wells in Silverzone area; replacement of 1 mile of 12" steel transmission line with 24" steel mortar-lined shot coat pipe; boring underneath the Union Pacific R.R. line for 24" pipe; addition of a 350 HP diesel driven booster pump at the Pilot Valley interchange; building 2 pump houses at Silverzone.

In 1990, Lynn's career took him to Elko County, where he became Public Works Director in 1992. He has been a very involved, proactive manager for the past 18 years. He has fought to improve the quality of the services for all of Elko County, but especially for all the smaller outlying areas in the County, such as Tuscarora, Jarbidge, Pilot Valley, Midas, Montello and Mountain City. Those areas now have safe, much improved sewer and water systems. Lynn continually is working with all the State and Federal agencies to keep these systems up-to-date and viable for the future. He has been instrumental in many major projects throughout the county, involving the Jackpot Airport, golfcourse, all water and sewer systems, wells and well head protection, street lighting, parks and

playgrounds, emergency response buildings and equipment, and community service sites/buildings. He has acted as Grant Administrator for over 30 CDBG Grants since 1992. He has also overseen grants and loans from NDOT, NDEP, FAA, USDA, SRF and other state and federal agencies. These have allowed the County to do improvements that otherwise would not have taken place due to lack of County funding. At this time, he is overseeing 2 major projects for the Town of Jackpot- one for the water system-approximately \$2.8 million; and the other for the sewer system-approximately \$2.4 million. These projects are both possible due to Lynn advising the county to apply for grants and loans that include ARRA funds.

Lynn believes it is very important to keep up with the new technology and stays current on all his certificates. He has his T-2 and D-4 Certifications and holds a Wastewater Operator-Grade 3.

Lynn only hopes he can continue to work for the county for another 10-15 years!!