

**ROUND MOUNTAIN TOWN BOARD MEETING
DONALD L. SIMPSON COMMUNITY CENTER
650 CIVIC DRIVE, HADLEY SUBDIVISION
ROUND MOUNTAIN, NEVADA
TUESDAY, JANUARY 10, 2023 – 5:30 P.M.**

MINUTES

Members Present: Nicole Silberschlag, Chair
Sara Sweeney, Vice Chair
Vicky Richardson, Clerk
Vacant, Member
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Also Present: Pearl Olmedo, Town Manager
Maci Cole, Administrative Aide
Sergio Olmedo, Volunteer Fire Chief
Dennis Bunch, Maintenance Supervisor

Citizens Present: David Boruchowitz
Allison Flanagan
Bill Becht
Jason Flanagan



Sheriff Joe McGill
Richard Rumker
Jenna Diller

1. Call meeting to order/roll call

Nicole Silberschlag called the meeting order at approximately 5:30 p.m. Silberschlag – Chair, Chris Philips – Vice Chair, Sara Sweeney – Clerk and Vicky Richardson – Member were in attendance.

2. Pledge of Allegiance

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

3. Public Comment (FIRST)

None given.

4. Approval of the January 10, 2023 agenda

Philips stated that he had not completed his oath of office and will abstain for this meeting. Sweeney motioned to approve the January 10, 2023 agenda with items 18-22 to be removed. Richardson seconded; motion passed 3-0.

5. Election of Chair for Round Mountain Town Board

Sweeney motioned to retain Silberschlag as Chair. Richardson seconded; motion passed 3-0.

6. Election of Vice Chair for Round Mountain Town Board

Richardson motioned to nominate Sweeney as Vice Chair. Sweeney seconded; motion passed 3-0.

7. Election of Clerk for Round Mountain Town Board

Sweeney motioned to nominate Richardson as Clerk. Silberschlag seconded; motion passed 3-0.

8. Approval of the December 27, 2022 meeting minutes

Sweeney motioned to approve the December 27, 2022 meeting minutes as presented. Richardson seconded; motion passed 3-0.

9. Discussion with Sheriff Joe McGill and/or undersheriff William Beck regarding Round Mountain staffing issues, as requested by Captain David Boruchowitz

Sheriff Joe McGill stated that he was in attendance to address the Board about staffing issues after it was brought up in a previous meeting. He stated there are two sergeants and two detectives in the Round Mountain area. Discussion of increasing staff in the Tonopah area to help with coverage in the area. Silberschlag stated that she has lived in the area her whole life and right now there is limited fire/EMT services and law enforcement is sometimes the first on site. McGill stated that when this item was brought to his attention two weeks ago, he instructed his captains to do a study. Pull call logs and GPS stats to see where patrol is located. He said he was disheartened and he has now addressed the issue. If a deputy is assigned to Round Mountain that deputy should be located in that area. If a deputy needs backup in another area, they will be pulled to help. Philips stated that there needs to be visibility in the school zone. McGill stated there is not 24-hour coverage in Round Mountain. Silberschlag explained if funds are being released for the Round Mountain community, there should be more of a presence. Sheriff McGill spoke with the officer in charge of the school zone. That person is assigned to Round Mountain, Tonopah and Beatty and he will be making the rounds. He stated that the PSST purchase will outfit all patrol cars in the fleet with a new radar system. Sheriff McGill explained that the PSST will be spent in Round Mountain. Sweeney asked if the school officer will be in Round Mountain once a week. Sheriff McGill explained his expectations of that officer. Silberschlag thanked the Sheriff for coming to the Town Board meeting and "hearing" the Board and their concerns. Sheriff McGill introduced Undersheriff Bill Beck. Undersheriff Becht explained that he sees a problem and will address the problem.

10. NCSO Half Cent Tax Expenditure, as requested by Captain David Boruchowitz

Captain Boruchowitz stated this is the same item as presented at the December 27, 2022 meeting. He believes that Sheriff McGill covered the topic but will answer any questions, if there are any. He stated that the Sheriff's Office will be back in front of the Board with further expenditures once they address what is needed. Sweeney stated she seems there is room in the budget for the purchase. Sweeney motioned to approve the NCSO Half Cent Tax Expenditure for radars. Richardson seconded; motion passed 3-0.

11. Lot 13 @ Horse Corrals and 18 Dixie Court, as requested by Richard L. Snow

Pearl Olmedo advised the Board that no one called in. She asked if the Board wished to table the time. Silberschlag stated that if Mr. Snow would like to speak to the Board, he can reagendaize the item. No motion was made.

12. Discussion, deliberation and possible decision regarding Declaration of Reservations – Hadley Subdivision of Round Mountain – Nye County, Nevada set to expire and setting time and date of possible workshop for said Declaration of Reservations revisions, if needed

P. Olmedo advised the Board that she has been in discussion with Nye County Administrative staff in regards to the Declaration of Reservations and the adoption of ordinances. She asked if the Board would table the item until more information can be given. Sweeney thought this to be a good idea. Philips stated that there are steps that need to be taken per Nevada Revised Statutes and in order to benefit the rewards from those ordinances the Town will need to adopt their own. Silberschlag explained that it is not on the Board to do these steps, it is the job of

the Town Manager. Silberschlag asked Philips to get with P. Olmedo and get a game plan together. No decision was made. Item tabled.

13. Discussion, deliberation and possible decision to form an advisory committee to review the Declaration of Reservations and expectations for said committee

P. Olmedo stated that this item was at the request of the Board. She advised the Board that there have been no applications received to date. Silberschlag asked where this was being advertised. P. Olmedo stated the *Valley View*, social media sites and *Tonopah Times*. Item was tabled.

14. Discussion, deliberation and possible decision to approve Proclamation 2023-01: "A Proclamation Declaring January 2023 as National Radon Action Month in Round Mountain, Nevada"

P. Olmedo stated that the Town of Round Mountain has participated in National Radon Action month in conjunction with University of Nevada, Reno Cooperative Extension. Sweeney stated that she works for 4H and has radon kits. Interested parties can contact Sweeney if interested. Sweeney motioned to adopt Proclamation 2023-0: "A Proclamation Declaring January 2023 as National Radon Action Month in Round Mountain, Nevada". Richardson seconded; motion passed 3-0.

15. Discussion, deliberation and possible decision for the Town Board to approve and sign an updated letter, due to re-election of officers, to Nye County Finance authorizing payments to be made prior to Town Board approval for the following: 1) All utility bills, contract bills and Round Mountain Public Utility Customer deposit refunds, a) this letter will be included with the bills for payment; and 2) All bills, in the event the Town Board is unable to conduct a meeting due to lack of quorum or other circumstances, a0 We hereby authorize the Administrative Supervisor or Town Manager to sign the invoice approval list on behalf of the Town Board and b) This letter and invoice approval list will be included with bills for payment

Silberschlag stated that this has been done in the past in case of a lack of quorum. P. Olmedo explained that the Board will always review the list of bills at the next available meeting. Sweeney motioned to approve the letter to Nye County Finance authorizing payment prior to Town Board meetings or in the case of a lack of quorum. Richardson seconded; motion passed 3-0.

16. Discussion and decision a0 authorize staff to purchase an Excavator based on upon staff recommendation and b0 authorize town manager to pay from Buildings and Grounds – Capital Outlay fund 22101-10-22-20-5610

P. Olmedo stated that the Board has three quotes in their packets. Dennis Bunch went through the quotes provided to the Board. He discussed the tools and equipment needs. He asked for permission to purchase from Sonsray. Silberschlag asked if this was in the budget. Olmedo read the following quotes into record: Cashman \$60,615.29, Bobcat \$34,855.58 and Sonsray \$59,606.16. Sweeney stated to go with the one that fits the needs of the Town. Philips stated to get what fits the needs of the Town and one that has a warranty package. Silberschlag asked if there was a surplus provider for equipment. Bunch stated that mini excavators are beat up and are sold as is. Silberschlag asked if this will retire any equipment. Bunch explained that possibly the backhoe in Old Town. He can haul this on a trailer behind a pickup. Sweeney motioned to purchase of excavator from Sonsray. Richardson seconded; motion passed 3-0.

17. Round Mountain Volunteer Fire Department update

Sergio Olmedo advised the Board that firefighters will be traveling to Pahrump for Fire Fighter I training. He presented the quote for new pagers to the Board that will be paid out of PSST. Silberschlag asked what the budget is for PSST. P. Olmedo stated it is \$100,000 and gave an overview of the fund. S. Olmedo thanked Sweeney for

the cookies. S. Olmedo stated that John Burton [with Round Mountain Gold Corporation] approached him and asked how those in mine rescue can run Engine 4. S. Olmedo discussed gear and insurance. S. Olmedo would like the Board to think about turning Engine 4 back over to Round Mountain Gold Corporation. P. Olmedo discussed the Memorandum of Understanding between the Town of Round Mountain and Round Mountain Gold Corporation and history of the mill fire at the Mine. Sweeney asked if the volunteer fire department still uses the engine. S. Olmedo explained that other than bringing it off the hill for service, the engine remains on Mine site. Silberschlag asked what S. Olmedo's recommendation is. S. Olmedo recommends ending the memorandum of understanding. Philips asked who absorbs the cost of maintenance on Engine 4. P. Olmedo states that the Town does. Silberschlag would like S. Olmedo to have a conversation with John Burton. Silberschlag asked about member numbers. S. Olmedo stated around 21. Sweeney asked if this includes the firefighter that was shot. Silberschlag stated that couldn't be discussed. Sweeney asked if the Board could send their well-wishes. Philips asked about a duplexing communication system. Silberschlag explained to S. Olmedo that he needs to make a decision regarding communication. S. Olmedo stated he would like to get the latest and greatest to avoid issues with the outdated equipment now. Silberschlag asked about the washer/extractor for the fire department and if it has been installed. Discussion on placement of item. Silberschlag requested that the fire department do a Christmas dinner/gift exchange for the volunteers.

18. Closure of meeting, pursuant to NRS 241.015(3)(b)(2) for purposes of conferring with legal counsel regarding potential or current litigation

Item removed from agenda.

19. Closed meeting, pursuant to NRS 241.015(3)(b)(2) for purposes of conferring with legal counsel regarding potential or current litigation

Item removed from agenda.

20. Discussion and deliberation on conference with legal counsel regarding potential or current litigation presented in closed meeting

Item removed from agenda.

21. Closed meeting, pursuant to NRS 288.220 for purposes of conferring with the Town's management representatives regarding labor negotiations, issues and other personnel matters

Item removed from agenda.

22. Discussion and deliberation on labor negotiations, issues and other personnel matters presented in closed meeting

Item removed from agenda.

23. Discussion and decision on date(s) and time for Budget Workshops for fiscal year 2023-2024

P. Olmedo's recommendation is this be discussed at each Town Board meeting or schedule two nights to work on the budget. She asked that if a meeting has a lack of quorum that a special meeting be scheduled immediately in order to get through all that needs to be discussed. Sweeney asked when the tentative budget is due. P. Olmedo stated mid-April. Final budget is due end of May. Silberschlag asked P. Olmedo to look at employee hourly rates of pay. Sweeney motioned to start budget discussion at the next meeting in January. Richardson seconded; motion passed 3-0.

24. Discussion, deliberation and possible action on Department Reports: Town Administration, Town Maintenance, Pool, Parks, Recreation, Community Center, Capital Projects, Grants, Round Mountain Public Utilities – Water and Sewer Funds and Road Tax Fund

P. Olmedo advised the Board that the Town's Financial Statement will be presented at the next Town Board meeting by Daniel McArthur and staff. Administration staff busy with end of month and first of year reports. P. Olmedo has filed the Government Employee Relations Board reports. Town offices closed Monday, January 16 in observance of Martin Luther King, Jr. Day. P. Olmedo working with Nye County Administration staff for guidance on Declaration of Reservations. At the January 3, 2023 Board of County Commissioner meeting, the Public Works Director stated that Round Mountain was still on "calendar" for road work. P. Olmedo reached out to the director as well as county manager. It was relayed to her that Nye County was still under the impression that road tax was moving forward. It was explained to P. Olmedo that an audit was needed on any equipment purchased with the road fund, discussion of said equipment and wording within the resolution of the clause to return money if either party was unhappy with the outcome of said resolution. She advised that the Town Board had revoked that Resolution. Nye County would discuss this with the District Attorney. Silberschlag reminded P. Olmedo that the Town office had reached out to the District Attorney's Office for guidance. If the Board is still interested, P. Olmedo will work with appropriate County agencies. Silberschlag stated that the Board passed the Resolution revoking and with the past snow storm and no County support – if the Town did not have the equipment it has, nothing would have been accomplished. ARPA fund update for small businesses. P. Olmedo updated the Board on the new water/wastewater operator Grants H2O as well as a new circuit rider for Nevada Rural Water Association. Bunch discussed backflow prevention inspection which hasn't been completed since the installation in the late 1980's. GrantsH2O is certified to work with our departments to fix these issues. Discussion on the aeration at the wastewater treatment facility. The SCADA system took an electrical hit. Clay delivery has begun and with 100 tons sitting on the ground. Recreation Department is working on Easter events. The pickleball soft event was held over the weekend. Silberschlag asked for a list of current projects. She also asked about a temporary solution to those in the community that whip brodies in the Hadley Park area. Discussion of well cleaning. P. Olmedo discussed upcoming bids and bid opening process for the Round Mountain Community Gym Multi-Purpose Room and Ingvar Christensen Swimming Pool Ceiling-Rust Removal projects. Bid opening will be on January 24, 2023. P. Olmedo advised the Board that she has put the dishwasher/sanitizer for the Simpson Center on hold. She would like to justify the cost and need prior to purchase. Little League edging will begin February 1, 2023. Removal of ballfield shed removal. Sweeney asked if Round Mountain Youth Association was notified. Bunch stated that he had directed Recreation staff to reach out. As of date, there is still a lock on the shed. Batting cage net removal and leveling discussion. Tennis court rehab is waiting for a concrete contractor. Fencing around pool and splash pad discussion. P. Olmedo is working with Nye County grant administrator. She stated that she would also like to update the Round Mountain Town Board by-laws.

25. Correspondence, awards, department updates, and announcements

P. Olmedo presented the following correspondence:

1. Nye County Board of County Commissioner agenda for 1/3/23, rec'd 12/28/22.
2. Gmail from Sheriff Wehrly, Retired re: New Schedule dated 1/2/23, rec'd 1/3/23.
3. Tonopah Town Board/Tonopah Library District Board of Trustees agendas for 1/11/23, rec'd 1/6/23.
4. Nevada Open Meeting Law Manual, State of Nevada Financial Disclosure Statement Guide, Ethics in Government Manual for Nevada Public Officers and Public Employees: NRS 281A, Round Mountain Town Board By-Laws and Robert's Rules of Order, rec'd 1/9/23.
5. Notice of Vacancy Round Mountain Town Board, due 2/1/23.
6. American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) Small Business Grant Program flyer, rec'd 1/10/23.
7. Gmail from Arnold Knightly, re: News Release: Bureau of Land Management asks public to avoid beetle habitat at Big Dune dated 1/10/23, rec'd 1/10/23.

26. Review and approve invoices for the Town of Round Mountain for January 10, 2023

Sweeney motioned to approve the Town of Round Mountain invoices as present for January 10, 2023. Richardson seconded; motion passed 3-0.

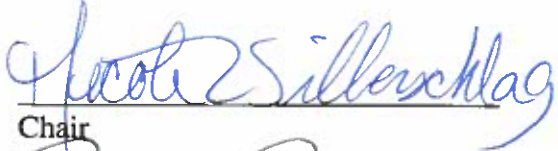
27. Public Comment (SECOND)

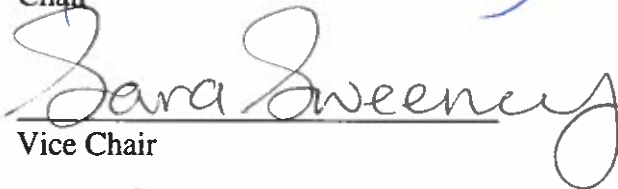
None given.

28. Adjourn meeting

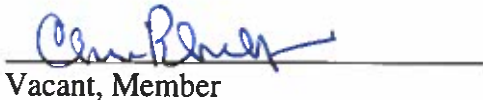
Sweeney motioned to adjourn the meeting at 7:10 p.m. Richardson seconded; motion passed 3-0.

APPROVED THIS DAY 24 OF January, 2023


Chair


Vice Chair


Clerk


Vacant, Member

Vacant, Member