

**ROUND MOUNTAIN TOWN BOARD MEETING  
DANIEL R. SWEENEY PUBLIC SAFETY BUILDING  
101 SMOKY VALLEY BLVD.  
ROUND MOUNTAIN, NEVADA  
TUESDAY, OCTOBER 24, 2023 – 5:30 P.M.**

**MINUTES**

Members Present: Sara Sweeney, Vice Chair  
Vicky Richardson, Clerk  
Chris Philips, Member

Absent: Nicole Silberschlag, Chair  
Janet Jorgensen, Member

Also Present: James Swigart, Town Manager  
Heidi Bunch, Administrative Supervisor  
Monicka Harter-Hill, Recreation Aide  
Dennis Bunch, Maintenance Supervisor  
Sky Trease, Recreation Director  
Allen Stumpf, Volunteer Fire Chief



Citizens Present: Eric Reid  
Rachel Ray  
C. Larrabee

Jason D. Reid  
Pam Franks  
Ashley Sutherland

Shelby Serrano  
Lisa Davila

**1. Call meeting to order/roll call**

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

**2. Pledge of Allegiance**

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

**3. General Public Comment (FIRST)**

Allen Stumpf updated the Board on the Round Mountain Volunteer Fire Department. Currently there are 17 fire fighters, five junior fire fighters with one out on medical leave. Four prospects have been attending the meetings. Lights are working in the bay, washer/dryer are installed, fire department has participated in events and Stumpf was invited to speak at the high school about the junior fire fighter program. James Swigart thanked the fire department for helping with the bounce house. Sweeney asked about a fireman's ball and library sleepover. She will put it on the agenda.

**4. Approval of the October 24, 2023 agenda**

Richardson motioned to approve the October 24, 2023 agenda as presented. Philips seconded; motion passed 3-0.

**5. Approval of the September 26, 2023 meeting minutes**

Richardson made a motion to accept the minutes of September 26, 2023 as presented with the change of adding “million” behind \$310. Philips seconded; motion passed 3-0.

**6. Approval of the October 10, 2023 meeting minutes**

Philips made a motion to accept the minutes of October 10, 2023 as presented. Richardson seconded; motion passed 3-0.

**7. Discussion, deliberation and possible decision in regard to putting back on the ‘additional public comment’ line that was removed from the agenda without any known motion from the Board**

Richardson explained that there were two meetings without the verbiage on the agenda [regarding public comment]. She stated that this was taken off without proper steps by the Board. Swigart discussed county commissioner board meetings and how conducted in Pahrump. He has discussed this item with District Attorney Brian Kunzi and Commissioner Bruce Jabbour about Board steps. Swigart handed out what was on the Nye County Board of County Commissioner agenda. He discussed time length of town meetings at 49 hours a year compared to Tonopah Town Board at 25 hours a year. Richardson stated she also spoke to Jabbour, Kunzi and POOL/PACT and if the agenda item is “for discussion” it needs public comment. Swigart stated he will take the responsibility for it being removed. Richardson stated it was Nicole who removed it. Take off “the commission reserves the right...” statement in the heading of agenda. Richardson made a motion to remove “the commission reserves the right...” statement as presented in the agenda and in the future if there are changes for the Board to address such. Philips seconded; motion passed 3-0. Stumpf reminded the Board that there is a stopwatch on the television that can be used if needed. Lisa Davila thanked Swigart for taking the responsibility for the error and for Richardson in bringing it to the attention of everyone. She was in a meeting when the chairman stated it was voted on and it had not been.

**8. Discussion, deliberation and possible decision to start Smoky Valley Grant Funding Task Force and appointment of chair**

Discussion of Smoky Valley Grant Funding Task Force. Philips motioned to table this item until the next meeting. Motion was withdrawn. Philips remotioned to endorse Robert Trelford as chairman of the exploratory grant task force. Richardson seconded; motion passed 3-0.

**9. Discussion, deliberation and possible decision on hiring of Round Mountain Volunteer Fire Chief and entering into contractual agreement with chosen party**

Swigart presented the updated job description and contract to appoint Allen Stumpf as Round Mountain Volunteer Fire Chief. Swigart stated that it was a vote of 9-4 for Stumpf at the volunteers meeting. The Board recommended that Stumpf update the Board each month about the department. Stumpf suggested quarterly. Richardson motioned to appoint Allen Stumpf as Round Mountain Volunteer Fire Chief for a 90-day interim. Philips seconded with the stipulation of a 90-day review and 1 year review after speaking to the department. Motion passed 3-0. Stumpf will work with Town Hall staff in getting paperwork.

**10. Discussion, deliberation and possible decision to adopt Town of Round Mountain Resolution No. 2023-1, “To Establish a Petty Cash Account in the amount of \$200 for the Knight Club Arcade, located in the Donald L. Simpson Community Center for the purpose of small local purchases, materials where purchase orders are not accepted and small miscellaneous reimbursements.”**

Swigart discussed that this is for the Knights Club Arcade to make change, etc. The grand opening of the arcade will be 11 a.m. on Friday. Philips motioned to adopt Town of Round Mountain Resolution 2023-1 as presented. Richardson seconded. Motion passed 3-0.

### **11. Review and approve invoices for the Town of Round Mountain for October 24, 2023**

Swigart discussed the Afterhours Security payment for a new security system and the application of a POOL/PACT grant. This new system will have a 30-day video storage and can help with lawsuits, etc. Philips asked for an update on the budget. Swigart stated they are shooting for 10 percent under budget for all departments. Richardson stated not recreation. Richardson motioned to approve the invoices as presented for October 24, 2023. Philips seconded; motion passed 3-0.

### **12. Correspondence, awards, department updates, and announcements**

H. Bunch read the following correspondence into record;

1. Gmail from Arnold Knightly; Loans Available to New and Existing Businesses in Rural Nevada Through Nevada RISE, rec'd 10/12/23
2. Gmail from Arnold Knightly; Hazard Mitigation Plan Public Review Meeting and Comment Period; Public Meeting Oct 23<sup>rd</sup>, rec'd 10/17/23
3. Nye County Regional Transportation Commission Minutes from July 12, 2023, rec'd 10/18/23
4. Nye County Board of Commissioners agenda for 10/24/23, rec'd 10/19/23

### **13. General Public Comment (SECOND)**

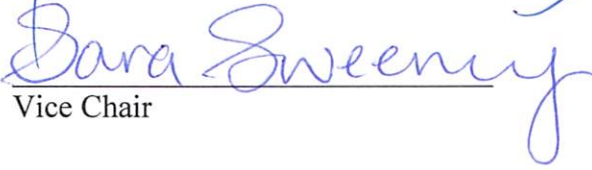
Rachel Ray, Community Relations Coordinator for Round Mountain Gold Corporation updated the Board that the area near the pool will have a display of a memorial garden in honor of breast cancer. Swigart asked about the mines 5k run.

### **14. Adjourn meeting**

Richardson motioned to adjourn the meeting at 6:11 p.m. Philips seconded; motion passed 3-0.

APPROVED THIS DAY 14 OF November, 2023

  
Chair

  
Vice Chair

  
Clerk

  
Member

  
Member