

**ROUND MOUNTAIN TOWN BOARD MEETING  
DANIEL R. SWEENEY PUBLIC SAFETY BUILDING  
103 SMOKY VALLEY BLVD.  
ROUND MOUNTAIN, NEVADA  
TUESDAY, December 16, 2025 – 5:30 P.M.**

**MINUTES**

**Members Present:** Sara Sweeney, Chair  
Chris Philips, Vice Chair  
Shane Williamson, Member

**Members Not Present:** Janet Jorgensen, Clerk  
Jonathan Appiah, Member

**Also Present:** James E. Swigart, Town Manager  
Maci Curiel, Administrative Supervisor  
Shelly Cromie, Administrative Aide  
Josh Yost, Maintenance Supervisor  
Robert Cromie, Fire Chief

**Citizens Present:** Tyler Bilskie  
Dakota Lewallen  
Elizabeth Watson

**Special Note:** Any member of the public who is disabled and requires accommodation or assistance at this meeting is requested to notify the Round Mountain Town Hall in writing or call (775) 377-2508 three (3) business days prior to the meeting.

**1. Call Meeting to Order/Roll Call.**

Sara Sweeney-Chair calls meeting to Order at 5:30 p.m. Roll Call: Sara Sweeney-Chair, Chris Philips-Vice Chair, and Shane Williamson-Member

**2. Pledge of Allegiance**

Recited

**3. GENERAL PUBLIC COMMENT. (Up to three-minute time limit per person.) Action will not be Taken by the Board until specifically included on an Agenda as an action item.**

Jim Swigar thanks the board for approval of all gifts purchased for Town Employees Jim present a Certificate of Appreciation to Board Members for their service to The Town Board of Round Mountain, Chris Philips and Shane Williamson. Jim Swigart thanks everyone for helping with the Employee Christmas party, Maci, Shelly, Maxi, Lacie and the Maintenance crew. We invited 150 people and had almost 100 people attended.

**4. (For Possible Action) Approval of the December 16, 2025, Meeting Agenda.**

Williamson makes a Motion to Approve the Agenda, Philips Seconded; Motion Passed 3-0

**5. (For Possible Action) Emergency Items.**

No Emergency Items, No Public Comment.

**6. (For Possible Action) Approval of November 18, 2025, Meeting Minutes.**

Williamson makes a Motion to Approve as written, Philips Seconded; Motion Passed 3-0

**7. (For Possible Action) Discussion and Deliberation to Review Smoky Valley Blvd Safety and Speed Limit.**

Chris Philip asks Corey Gourd if there is something that the town can do with there current system if we want to put cameras up. Corey states that for just a camera it would come out a little expensive, for just a camera it would have to have its own switch, its own power source coming off the pole, but it would have to have its own repeater like the sewer ponds do. Chris suggests that as far as Smoky Valley Blvd goes we are going to have to put speed bumps back there, it's only obvious, we must slow people down. Sara states that scare me cause if you put one speed bump back there, they will go around it and probably hit someone's propane tank. Philips also suggested that we could put in some safety berms we have a grader we can use. Sara states so now we are going to let them jump and fly into the propane tank. Chris says putting up the berms is better then doing nothing. Sara agrees with that statement. Chief Robert Cromie suggests that we can remove them from town. Sara suggests that maybe we can ask the Sheriff's office to put the speed trailer over on Smoky Valley Blvd or maybe an empty Sheriff's vehicle and put a wrestling dump in the vehicle dressed as an officer. Chief Cromie asks how many people you think are going to drive down that road now and instead drive through the street of Hadley. Philips states that it can be fixed too. Elizabeth Watson asks if that is really going to stop people from going through the subdivision going at speeds of 20, 25 or 30 mph. Philips states no it's not. Elizabeth asks, "don't you think it would be more dangerous for them to go speeding through a subdivision where kids are playing. Philips respond, "unfortunately, the dilemma is this, what they get past the speed bumps they fly, we know that. On the back road they use it as a drag strip. Next option is to add speed bumps through the whole road. The problem is and I really don't want to go on public record with the dilemma with the Sheriff's Department, it's basically nonexistent or rather 2 days a week and we must be self-reported, and people need to take the initiative to do so. And that is what it has come down to. We have begged and pleaded with law enforcement to do something. And the Sheriff has stood right here in front of it, saying there is nothing they can do. And it's not just us it's the whole valley that it's happening to." Chief Cromie states that the problem is that it's only one person that's doing this. Philips' responds with that's the problem is one person, whether it's a town employee or a citizen they need to take the initiative and step and say something. Swigart states that there is a complaint form at Town Hall that can be filled out and turned in, but no one wants to do that. Shelly Cromie states that it's true no one wants to say anything. Philips's states, "that people don't even want to fill out the dog complaint form, and then when someone like me does that is on the Town Board I hate it, but that's ok with me. Our options are limited, but we have machinery we can do things with and use speed bumps. We still have people walking on that road and things. Sara states that we even put in cattle guards and they still rip through there. Swigart's states that we can get Sheriff McGill out here or his Under Sheriff and we keep hounding them repeatedly until they do something about having a patrol office out here. Philips states that the problem we have is that this year is an election year for Sheriff and me personally I'm going to bring this up when he has a town meeting in Tonopah. Swigart states that we can invite him back out here. Sara states that at the Employee Christmas party Bruce Jabbour states to her that he thought the new Sheriff Deputy they just hired was coming out to Round Mountain. Swigart asks Josh Yost what his thoughts are on that back road (Smoky Valley Blvd). Yost states that we should like it up back there it's hard to see anyone walking back there late at night. I don't see why it needs to be 35 mph, I say we drop it down to 25 mph. The rest of town is 25 mph so there is no need for that road to be 25 mph. I don't know how to stop people from doing donuts on that back road and all over town. They did it by our stop signs and they did it on our practice fields, and all over the baseball fields. Philips states that we need to control the access we can put chains up and over by the school. Years ago that's way things use to be. Swigart states lets get back to agenda item cause we are kind of getting off topic. Philips asks Elizabeth Watson if she has any suggestions. She states, "No". Philips agrees that we need to light up that back road. Sara asks if we can make a Motion to lower the speed limit on Smoky Valley Blvd to 25 mph, can the board to do. Swigart responds that the board can make a Motion to do that. Philips makes a Motion to lower the speed limit to 25 mph on Smokey Valley Blvd, and we put up a camera, and do some fancy grader work back there, and put some berms back there. Williamson states

that Philips Motion is too much to Motion at this time, he suggest just lowering the speed limit to 25 mph at this time. Philips does a new motion. Philips Motion to lower the speed limit to 25 mph; Williamson Seconded; Passed 3-0

#### **8. (For Possible Action) Discussion and Deliberation to Review and Approve Solar Lights Placement.**

Sara states that we have 5 but we are needing more for that back road (Smoky Valley Blvd). Williamson suggests that we go look at that back road and see about placement and how many we need. Philips asks how many of the lights we have, "Seven"? Swigart comments and says, "5". And continues to mention that when he talked with Kevin Pope, Nye County about the lights. Pope says that they have 37 lying on the ground, you approved us for 5 so those are ours. Philips suggested to Swigart that we try and get 5 more so we can light up the backroad (Smoky Valley Blvd). Swigart says that he will talk to Kevin Pope, Nye County to see if we can acquire 5 more. Sara asks if we need to continue this. Philips and Swigart agree that we need to continue this until the next meeting. Town Board Members agrees to continue until next meeting in January.

#### **9. (For Possible Action) Discussion and Deliberation to review and approve Afterhours Service Contract.**

Corey Gourd goes over the three quotes he presented to the board for next year's contract. Sara asks if we were currently at the middle contract. Corey states, "yes, the town was at middle contract with about 15-20 hours over the contract amount". Corey states that it seems like everything has been running smoother. Chris Philips suggests that the board go with the middle contract. Sara Sweeney asks if we don't use all the hours in the contract will those hours roll over. Corey Gourd states that he hadn't thought about that but "yes" that he would be willing to do that. Philips makes a Motion to Approve the middle contract for \$22,800.00 for services rendered by Afterhours Security, Williamson Seconded: Passed 3-0. Corey asks if he can bring something up. Sara allows Corey to further speak. Corey asks the board if they are ready to pull the trigger on the access door for the gym. Sara asks if that was approved and put out to bid. Corey says that he put a bid in and another company put in a bid and Corey under bided them. The project hasn't been done yet. Put on the Agenda for the next meeting in January, Access Doors for the Gym. Jim states that the Clubhouse should be up in April. In April put on the agenda discussion about Clubhouse and Maintenance Shop needs about 3 cameras. Jim states that this can be discussed in April.

#### **10. (For Possible Action) Review and Approve Invoices for the Town of Round Mountain for the December 16, 2025, Meeting.**

Philips Motion's to Approve the Invoice for December 16, 2025, for fiscal year 2025-2026; Williamson Seconds; Passed 3-0

#### **11. Recreation Department Update (Discussion Only)**

Swigart informs the board that Lacie Baker could not make it. Everything that has been done for Christmas has been amazing, parties are starting to wind down. Golf Course has \$12,000.00 and 55 members. Philips states that he has gotten quite a few comments about people who don't want to go to the store to sign up, not sure, where they got that information. Swigart also states that he isn't sure where they got that information. Philips has informed people that they need to go to the Simpson Center. The other question Philips is getting can they still get there membership deducted from their payroll with the mine. Swigart states "No" there is no way to do that. This Thursday is Bingo. Getting an early jump on lifeguards this year and getting ready for baseball season. Philips asks if we can get the Recreation Department to turn on the lights on the outside of the pool building, and leave them on at night, that area is a big black hole.

#### **12. Maintenance Department Update (Discussion Only)**

Josh Yost states that last week we had the big boss from the tank company check everything out. At the beginning of the year we will have a welding crew and touchup crew come out at the same time. So as soon as they do all sampling and sanitization and then it sounds like we will be good to go on the

next tank. Philips asks what the change order is for and how much it is going to cost. Yost states that we are putting drain valves in both tanks so if I have to drain a tank I don't have to shut off the system. I did not see the final quote but it's about \$6,000.00 for both tanks. Philips asks if they have already coated the inside of the tanks. Yost responds with, "yes". When the touchup crew came, they found stuff that he didn't like. So, they are coming out to do that. Swigart states that when we do the final walk through Bill Hamon has several photos from the beginning. And we can put it on the agenda and do a little presentation for you. Philips asks if we are better off putting the valve on the line that is coming into the tank or instead of drilling a hole into the tank put in the pipe. Yost respond and states cost affective wise, "no". We are visible right where we are at both drains will drain out into the desert. To do Philips is talking about we would have to drill down and find the pipes, and furthermore both tanks are connected by one pipe. So, to drain the small tank I would have to cut off both tanks, which is what we do now. We will strictly be running off the VFD. Philips asked would it made sense to put two valves on so we could isolate the tanks. Yost states that this is what the USG guys recommended to the problem that I gave them. They suggested putting a six inch valve on both tanks that way we could isolate both tanks from each other, the only drain valve we have is coming off the 6,000-gallon tank so to drain the small one now there is no option but to isolate both tanks. But luckily, we started with the large tank and that one is easier to drain then the small tank. Swigart states to Philips, if you any more questions we can draw on the board after the meeting is over. Philips states that he just thinks it should have been done differently. Sara says that she trusts their opinion. Swigart states that this is what these USG guys do and all over the world.

Yost states that last week we signed an agreement for the new water meters. The meters will be scheduled for after the holidays. The holidays are slowly everything down. We have an electrician coming in to handle all our electrical issues. This will happen probably right at the first of the year as well, lights at the arcade, pool, Fire Department and EMS bays, the electrician walked through and examined all the buildings. Philips asked what about the lift stations. Yost responded with what lift stations. Philip responds with the lift stations that are supposed to have new motors in them. Yost says that isn't them that will be maintenance. Philips asks if maintenance is doing the electrician part on the lift stations. No but when I do it, I just have to have a plan with the mine for wiring the motor just like we did on the sewer ponds. But all the lift stations pumps are running fine. Swigart states that we have a great relationship with the mine. The store lights is a perfect example with the boom truck.

### **13. Round Mountain Volunteer Fire Department (Discussion Only)**

Fire Chief Robert Cromie III you guys already looked at the current invoices, we spent a lot of money but we got all of our rope rescue gear. We put it all on the Hazmat truck for now that way we have something to haul it all cause there is a lot of gear. We figured that truck doesn't get used a whole lot so that's what it will be used for now until we figure something else out. The Command truck, the guy that is fixing it I spoke to last week and I submitted that invoice to you tonight it's one of the ones you approved tonight. So that invoice for high pressure pump etc. my goal for that truck is when we get it back to use it as a utility truck to pull all of our trailers and stuff. Instead of jumping in it when it's cold and going 90 mph down the road with it. Philips suggests that the next Command truck needs to be a gas truck. Chief Cromie states that of than that everything else is going great. Philips states to everyone that he has been sending Robert some prospective trucks that he found via text, we have put over \$20,000 in the this truck the last 2 ½ years. Plus, the truck bed that is coming in was ordered by our previous Fire Chief and we are going to need a vehicle for that as well. I have talked to Robert about some pretty decent vehicles I have found that would work well instead of paying \$90,000.00 for a brand new one. Some of the vehicles I was looking at only had about 20,000 miles on them and that is not to bad.

### **14. Correspondence, awards and announcements (Discussion Only)**

No Comment.

**15. Future Meetings: Discussion and Direction concerning items for future meetings; set date, time, and location. (non-action item)**

Election of Officers 1<sup>st</sup> Meeting in January. Meetings will resume back to the 2<sup>nd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Tuesday of the month starting in January.

**16. GENERAL PUBLIC COMMENT (Up to three-minute time limit per person.) Action will not be taken by the Board until specifically included on an agenda as an action item. (Second)**

Michelle Nelson via phone would like to wish everyone a Merry Christmas, Happy Holiday and Happy New Year. I just got back into the office yesterday from medical leave. I was sad that I missed the Christmas party the invitation was in my office. I hope to meet everyone in the new year and happy holidays to everyone. Sara replies with, "same to you and thank you for all your help this year".

**17. Commissioner/Manager Comments (This item is limited to announcements, brief discussion of public comments, correction of factual inaccuracies, direction to staff, or topics proposed for future board meetings. Lengthy deliberation of topics not on the agenda is prohibited by the Nevada Open Meeting Law.)**

Swigart states that Nye County has hired a new Controller, her name is Zena. She puts together the budget. Maci was able to pull numbers, and this is where everyone is at. Thank you to Maci for making this happen. Administration is at 34% of the budget, Building and Grounds is at 45%, Round Mountain Town 39%, Fire Department 68.78%, Old Round Town 15%, Hadley Road 36.37% (we haven't done any), Pool 14%, Recreation 30%, Capital Expenditures 36%, Road money 0%, Round Mountain Water and Public Works 72% but a lot of that is the tank and things we were behind on. Golf Course 37% of the budget. I'll have a lot more detailed spreadsheet in January. I really must thank everyone, the board and town employees and just to kind of reflect on what we have done this year. You guys should be proud cause this started in 2016 when I was working on the board, Ordinances 25.01 and 25.02 we were able to get those approved. It's going to be in the paper that we are going to start enforcing those Ordinances after the first of the year. We were able to get a new sign on Hwy 376, tank renovation, and cancer park. We signed a 75-year lease with the golf course thanks to the board and we were able to purchase a club house that is put together. We got a new mower, new pump, 5 golf carts, irrigation for the golf course all through that lease agreement. Chris and Shane were very instrumental in getting the grader and grading the Old Town Road. We would to thank Janet for the speed bumps. SOW signed and approved for the new meters and new sidewalks in front of Town Hall. Thank you to everyone that works for the town for everything you do and the board. You all should be proud of what we have done this year and look forward to 2026. I want to wish everyone a Merry Christmas and Happy New Year. Philips asked, "When you do this thing for the budget can we get our accountant to give us a projected with these new figures with the meter payment that we are going to be doing every month and the tank payment so that way we have a complete outlay from that Capital Expenditure because that's going to be substantial. Swigart states that we will get with Dan McArthur he has already seen everything we have done. Philip stated that he would like to see McArthur put something on paper, that way we can review as a board and that way we know where we are at. Sara states that we will have to pay McArthur for that but we can do it on a spreadsheet. Swigart says we already have that. Philips responds, "with I know we already have that but I want to see to projected out for a full year on how it's going to affect our operating budget and, in that year, and possibly the next year". Swigart response, "whatever you want we will do it". Philips states that it's information the board needs to be educated. Sara states that we can map that out on an excel spreadsheet, and not pay McArthur for this, it's something we can do in house. I just think for being fiscally responsible for the town and stewards for the committee that we need to informed and needs to come from a firm that does this. Sara states we can pay for it that's fine but I think it's something we could do in-house. Williamson states that he understands where Philips is coming from but this is not on the Agenda. Philips states he understands that but it's part of our direction.

**18. Adjourn Meeting.**

Williamson made a Motion to Adjourn Meeting – 6:22 pm, Philips Seconded; Motion Passes 3-0

APPROVED THIS DAY 13 OF January, <sup>2024</sup> 2025

Jana Sweeney  
Chair

Christopher E. Rulay  
Vice Chair

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Clerk

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Member

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