

**ROUND MOUNTAIN TOWN BOARD MEETING
DANIEL R. SWEENEY PUBLIC SAFETY BUILDING
103 SMOKY VALLEY BLVD.
ROUND MOUNTAIN, NEVADA
TUESDAY, September 9, 2025 – 5:30 P.M.**

MINUTES

Members Present: Sara Sweeney, Chair
Chris Philips, Vice Chair (on the phone)
Shane Williamson, Member
Jonathan Appiah, Member

Members Not Present: Janet Jorgensen, Clerk

Also Present: James E. Swigart, Town Manager
Maci Curiel, Administrative Supervisor
Shelly Cromie, Administrative Aide
Lacie Baker, Recreation Director
Maxi Hurtado, Recreation Assistant
Josh Yost, Maintenance Supervisor
Tyler Bilskie, Maintenance Supervisor
Stormee Olsen, Maintenance Worker
Cory Fowles, Nye County Under Sheriff
Joe McGill, Nye County Sheriff
Ricardo Ramirez, Nye County Sheriff, Lieutenant
Bruce Jabbour, Nye County Commissioner
Richard Rumker, Nye County Deputy Sheriff

Citizens Present:	Robert Cromie	Elizabeth Watson	Don Meighan
	Tony Philips	Maxy Sarmiento	Craig Pickens
	Kassandra Williamson	Richard Ramirez	Ocean Trease
	Ashley Sutherland	Brandon Fitch	

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 called the Meeting to Order at approximately 5:30 pm. Sara Sweeney-Chair, Shane Williamson-Member, Jonathon Appiah-Member, and Chris Philips-Vice Chair (on the phone)

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.

Robert Cromie, Assistant Fire Chief of RMVFD has received numerous complaints from community Members concerning the school's gates being locked during the day while school is in session. Concerning how the children will get out safely if all the gates are unlocked. Sara Sweeney, Chair

suggested the parents and community members need to address that with the school Principal Thad Wind and with Nye County School Board and possibly with County Commissioners.

4. (For Possible Action) Approval of the September 9, 2025 Meeting Agenda.

Williamson made a Motion to Approve the Agenda as is, Appiah Seconded; Motion Passed 3-0

5.(For Possible Action) Emergency Items.

No Emergency, No Public Comment.

6. (For Possible Action) Approvaal of August 26, 2025, Meeting Minutes.

Appiah made a Motion to Approve as written, Williamson Seconded; Motion Passed 3-0

7. (For Possible Action) Discussion, deliberation and possible decision to revisit vacant Deputy position, coverage problems and speed bumps complaints in Round Mountain, NV with Sheriff McGill.

Sheriff McGill addressed the issue of lack of law enforcement in the area of Round Mountain. Sheriff Rumker does live in Round Mountain and is assigned to this area but also has other obligations within the Sheriff's Office and isn't available 24/7. However, Lieutenant Ramirez is sending someone out to Round Mountain as much as possible. County Commissioners frozen 2 positions for Round Mountain approximately for 6 months or 1 year. Recruit has been hard for the Sheriff's office people just have no interest in becoming a police officer anymore.

Corey Fowles, Under Sheriff commented that every police agency in the world are having recruitment and retention issues, it's not only Nye County or Nevada. He reassured the town board that they are doing everything possible and within their power to make sure there is a deputy on duty in the area of Round Mountain.

Bruce Jabbour, Nye County Commissioner addresses the board and explains that yes Nye County implemented a county wide freeze beginning this fiscal year with the exception of Sheriff's Department and Fire Department.

Craig Pickens suggests that maybe going to the high school's and trying to recruit.

Tony Philips suggests maybe the county needs to look at maybe incentives for new recruits.

Dina Snow addresses concerns about the speed bumps that maybe they are not up to standard or regulated. Driving the speed limit in the areas where speed bumps are installed will still mess up your vehicle if you driving a car like hers.

Richard Rumker, Nye County Deputy Sheriff a canine demonstration was just done at the high school along with a job fair. Confirmed that he is only on duty Sunday, Monday and Tuesday of each week.

Don Meighan mentioned previous Sheriff's Officer's that patrolled this area in the past and that the big question is why they left. Don mentions a couple of situations he's had with the Sheriff's Department, one recently where it took the Sheriff's Department a week to come out to his place and the other incident where he had some property stolen and some witnesses and the Sheriff's Department has done nothing to this day on this matter.

Lisa Davila addresses the board agrees that the real issue is why the Sheriff's Department cannot retain individuals.

8. (For Possible Action) Review, Approve, or Amend and Approve, Volunteer Fire Chief job description and contract, possible direction from board to fill vacant Fire Chief position.

Jim Swigart, Town Manager briefly goes over the contract for the Volunteer Fire Chief.

Discussion about change who the Fire Chief reports to. Possibly making changes to the contract.

Sara Sweeney, Chair states that the one thing that needs to be changed is that the Fire Chief is to report to the Town Manager and the Town Board. Previous years there has been conflicts with the Fire Chief and the Town Manager that's why the contract reads the way it does.

Michelle Nelson clarifies that this item on the agenda is not only approve or amend the contract and not to appoint anyone as the Chief of the Volunteer Fire Department currently.

Lisa Davila addresses the board about possibly issues with the fire department and ambulance services, some people being able to serve on the fire department and the ambulance.

Jim Swigart mentioned there are some MOU's out there stating all agencies will work together.

Ashley Sutherland addresses the Town Board stating that the ambulance service is accepting applications as long as you have the qualifications. Interested parties may contact Ashley Sutherland or Taylor Damon if they have questions or need help with the application process. Three meeting rule for the fire department but community members are still welcomed regardless of the fact that they don't know what direction they are going in. Fire Department is currently looking for more adult firefighters since Junior Firefighters can not run calls at this time.

Chris Philips, Vice Chair states that both the ambulance and fire department and personnel need to put any personal issues aside at the door.

Bruce Jabbour, Nye County Commissioner states he is a little concerned that the Fire Chief is going to Report to the Town Manager and Town Board. He suggests to the Town Board to revisit that part.

Chris Philips

Appiah makes Motion to Approve, Amend and Approve the Volunteer Fire Chief job description and Contract and the necessary changes to part on who the Fire Chief reports too, Williamson Seconded; Motion Passed 3-0

9. (For Possible Action) Review, Approve or Amend and Approve Ordinance Complaint form.

Williamson Motion to Approve Town Ordinance Form as is, Appiah Seconded. Motion Passed 3-0

10. (For Possible Action) Discussion, Deliberation and Possible Discussion to Approve new water meter system quote.

Josh Yost, Maintenance Supervisor goes over the quote for new water meter system that was presented in front of the Town Board.

Jonathon Appiah, Member expresses that he would like to see hard evidence that that this is a good Investment.

Chris Philips agreed with Appiah's statement. At this point the town has other priorities like the tanks that need to be done. Requesting that we revisit this issue in the springtime.

Swigart agrees and will get Keith out here to discuss this topic again in the spring.

Williamson makes a Motion to Table Agenda Item; Appiah Seconded

Michelle Nelson, District Attorney states there is not such thing as tabling an item. The board have to continue the item to another date or let the item die. Town Manager can put it back on the Agenda when ready.

Williamson Motions to withdraw his previous motion; Appiah Seconded

11. (For Possible Action) Review and Approve Invoices for the Town of Round Mountain for the September 09, 2025, meeting.

Appiah makes a Motion to Approve Invoices for 9/9/25; Williamson Second. Motion Passed 3-0

12. Recreation Department Update (Discussion Only)

Lacie Baker goes over soccer games and football games.

13. Maintenance Department Update (Discussion Only)

Josh Yost installed cattle guard by the white park. Fixed leak at the golf course. Painted lines on the soccer fields. Boom Truck is back in service.

14. Round Mountain Volunteer Fire Department (Discussion Only)

Robert Cromie, Assistant Fire Chief states that the department has lost a few members to do a lack of responding. Went to pick up R1 in Vegas and it's still having issues on the engine lights were on when the truck was jump started, left it down in Vegas until it is fixed. Purchased a new router, wiring and etc. He will do all the work himself to save the town on some money to fix the problems they are having with the internet.

15. Correspondence, awards and announcements (Discussion Only)

Jim Swigart states the golf course is doing well currently at 58 members. Looking into a new clubhouse. Did not fill the Greens Keeper position.

16. GENERAL PUBLIC COMMENT

Lisa Davila wanted to thank the town for installing the cattle guard over by the white park. Shelly Cromie announced that a film producer from outside magazine contact the town regarding needing a permit to film in Round Mountain

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.)

Bruce Jabbour, Commissioner mentions Travel Nevada is a magazine that covers all of Nevada. This Saturday, Sept. 13th there is a ribbon cutting and ceremony at the Carver's Arena at 1pm or 1:30 pm.

18. Adjourn Meeting.

Appiah made a Motion to Adjourn Meeting - 7:45 pm, Williamson seconded; Motion Passes 3-0

APPROVED THIS DAY 23 OF September, 2025

Sara Sweeney
Chair

Christie E. Poirier
Vice Chair

Clerk

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Member

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