### ROUND MOUNTAIN TOWN BOARD SPECIAL MEETING

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MONDAY, APRIL 17, 2017 - 4:30 P.M.

#### **MINUTES**

Members Present:

James Swigart, Chair

Roger Morones, Vice Chair

Lisa Davila, Member Liandra Dutton, Member

Members Absent:

Wesley Hubred, Clerk

Also Present:

Pearl Olmedo, Town Manager

Rebecca Hansen, Administrative Supervisor

Tini Mittelstadt, Administrative Aide Mitch Mittelstadt, Maintenance Forman

Citizens Present:

Ranay Guifarro

Pearlene Nockideneh Vicky Richardson Dan Sweeney Aissa Nockideneh



### **CALL MEETING TO ORDER**

James Swigart: Ok its 4:30 p.m. let's get started. Welcome everyone. I'm Jim Swigart I'm the chairman.

Roger Morones: I'm Roger Morones, vice-chair.

Lisa Davila: Lisa Davila, member.

Liandra Dutton: Liandra Dutton, member.

### **PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

The pledge of allegiance was recited.

Swigart: Before we open up this meeting to public comment, I would like our co-chairman to read something that comes out of the NRS statutes, and it is on every agenda that we have, every meeting agenda that we have, and it has to do with the public comment. Go ahead, Roger.

Morones: The Board may prohibit comment if the content of the comments is a topic that is not relevant to, or within the authority of, the Board, or if the content of the comments is willfully disruptive of the meeting by being irrelevant, repetitious, slanderous, offensive, inflammatory, irrational or amounting to personal attacks or interfering with the rights of other speakers. Persons are invited to submit comments in writing on the agenda items and/or attend and make comments on that item at the Board meeting.

### **PUBLIC COMMENT (FIRST)**

None.

#### APPROVAL OF APRIL 17, 2017 AGENDA

Swigart: There is two items as Chairman, I would like to have removed or rejected, and that is #8 and #9. The reason being is these two items on the agenda, if you remember at the last meeting we had approved a third party to do an investigation, I feel strongly that these things are going to come up and be taken care of at that time.

Morones: I do have a question in regards to #8 I would agree with that one, that one is directly under investigation. However, request to formalize the hiring process, I am not sure we hired that third party lawyer to look at the hiring process, whether to see if there was wrong doing in this specific instance of the current process. If I am not mistaken we asked if there was a process in place and we agreed that there was. So is #9, are they just asking information that we give them the formal hiring process, because from my stand point, we are addressing how the last hiring was conducted.

Davila: To follow with that, I know that we are supposed to contact everybody that was on the agenda. Did we contact them and say that their items would not be discussed. I mean did we give them that courtesy?

Olmedo: Our office did not call anybody, no.

Davila: Did we inform them that they were on the agenda?

Olmedo: Yes, they were informed, and one is currently on spring break, and she was notified by personnel that it could potentially be rejected.

Dutton: She was also at that special meeting as well.

Morones: In my opinion, I don't have a problem with # 8 being removed, but I wouldn't mind seeing # 9 on there just as a discussion whether we touch on it or not in regards to the hiring process. Again if we do have something formal we can present to Andrew so he can see what our process currently is, I think that is how I would address # 9, but by removing it completely, I don't know if what we discussed or approved last meeting qualifies for that to be removed.

Davila: I don't think so, I don't think it qualifies. That is just my opinion.

Swigart: Well sure we can discuss it, it is something that seems like it's going to be, if there was wrong doing this is how the recommendations to prevent it from happening again. That is kind of how I see the third party investigator looking at it. And you should follow these statutes that are already in place.

Morones: Are those the only two corrections, do we have any more for the agenda?

Morones moves to approve the agenda with the exclusion of #8 only. Dutton seconded the motion; motion passed 4-0.

## <u>DISCUSSION, DELIBERATION AND POSSIBLE DECISION FOR THE BOARD TO CHANGE MEETING FORMAT</u>

Dutton: This was my idea just because personally if I am not here at a meeting and I want to see what happened, I would like to read it word for word. Who said what instead of just a summary, that way the point gets across clearly what was said. That is just my opinion.

Morones: We went full and then we went to a brief summary, right? So, we are looking to go back full?

Davila: The ones we have currently have in front of us for March 14 was a summary for the events?

Olmedo: Correct, following in line of what was passed in that board meeting prior to it.

Morones: And you never know what you are going to get in a meeting right so when the meeting summary works out great. That last one, I don't know, and to be honest I haven't gone through the summary of all of it so I am not sure how it is taken from that meeting itself.

Davila: Did you get a chance to read the meeting minutes?

Morones: For today, these meeting minutes, no I did not go through them all, I will be honest with you, I just merely.

Davila: Well it appears at times we are doing more like verbatim and then there is like other times it is like summarized, so maybe it is just the way I am reading them.

Morones: I think it has to be one way or the other. I know it gets tedious and it gets tough at some points, but either we stick with one format or the other. I know you can really get into one item and the next agenda item it is just paraphrased. I know it doesn't sound good for you guys, it is time consuming.

Olmedo: Currently how long, do you guys have a

Rebecca Hansen: I know last meeting we on the off chance, because it was so long, we started doing it and we are 44 pages in and we are not done with it.

Tini Mittelstadt: 34.

Dutton: It is going to take a while, and then we have to read them and approve them.

Morones: It is pretty important to have them on record, especially available for those that may not have made the whole meeting to know where we stood.

Hansen: We are looking at quite a few of business hours committed to just that alone.

Dutton: But this is also for our record.

Hansen: Right.

Dutton: This is what everyone is going to come back to.

Sherman Richardson: Is there not a way to record that?

Morones: It is always on recording. How long do you keep the recordings?

Olmedo: We keep them indefinitely, so they can be listened to as well.

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Morones: So yeah, we welcome any comment from the public. When you see previous meeting minutes and they are available to you, would you rather have them summarized or would you rather have them whole, verbatim, anybody have any thoughts?

S. Richardson: Well if they are recorded and available for someone to listen to that recording, I don't see a problem with summarizing.

Morones: I appreciate that.

Swigart: The commissioners they have a live stream, is that recorded?

Olmedo: It is recorded and they summarize their meeting minutes as well.

Davila: So if a person, let's say from the audience wanted to go in and hear those minutes. Is there something available for them so they can get on there and hear those minutes?

Olmedo: Yes, we have had a couple to date that has stopped into our office to listen to them. So you know there is availability.

Morones: To your point, having the whole thing in front for reading it, for us as the board. I guess is kind of really where it would be important.

Swigart: What is the difference? Let's just say it is an average meeting an hour and a half with 10 agenda items, what is the difference in time frame for you guys to prepare that?

T. Mittelstadt: I would have to say it varies a lot. This last one took a lot of extra time because there was so much talking over people, so you are having to rewind and go back and forth. I have had some meetings that where 2 hours that were real easy because nobody interrupted anybody. So it, there is no, it just kind of depends on how passionate people are at the meeting and how.

Morones: It is hit and miss.

T. Mittelstadt: Yes.

Davila: I would have to agree with Liandra.

Morones: Yes, I am ok with that too.

Dutton: I know it is a lot more work and I apologize for that, but just being able, if I am not here or if Wes or anybody, if any one of us are not here we can go back and it is like we are at the meeting. It is not, ok this is what was said. Well there is a lot more to it, when someone is heated and very compassionate about it.

Swigart: Ok, I'm fine either way, it is this Boards decision and if you want to make that decision.

Dutton moves to change the meeting minute format back to verbatim. Davila seconded the motion; the motion passed 4-0.

Swigart: That is the way it will be until we change it again.

Morones: I think it gave us a chance to see the difference between the two, so we have done it a couple times summary and we have had this last one, which was an interesting meeting, I think verbatim, I know the time, I don't envy the time, but.

Dutton: Even if we could have them recorded and put it on like a website that would be ideal I would think, because anybody could click and watch the meeting and they would know what happened, and then we could summarize them.

Davila: Exactly, but I don't think that there is a process right now for that, if I am not mistaken. I know that we had at one time checked into getting, because they were shooting for every town, city have their own web.

Olmedo: You know we have the capability of downloading those auto recordings to a CD.

Dutton: Do we have a website?

Olmedo: We don't have a website, but for those that are interested, we have at least sent an audio recording out at least once. We have copied it one time and sent it out to the individual that requested those recordings.

Dutton: So now do we hold off on the March 14 minutes?

Olmedo: The March 14 minutes, we started to work on the verbatim portion of them, because we weren't sure where the Board was going to go with it, but we are approaching the 30 days to submit. Would you like us to go back to verbatim?

Davila: I just think that it is important because of the content of that particular meeting and things. I think it is important that we have that verbatim. After reading over the minutes, to me, there were not whole lot of things that actually happened that were very clear in there, so definitely. My question again is do we have a rough estimate of what is taking 30 days out. Is it because it is just a time thing we don't have the time to work on them?

Olmedo: It is very time consuming, she works on them, interrupted by customers. We have actually taken, because we are behind on meeting minutes and not sure where we are going with this, all three of us, it is taking all three of us to get these done. Especially when there is so much comments in there. Like she said, the over talking and they are not stating for the record when they speak, so it is very difficult for us. So between the three of us we are having to take a listen and figure out who is speaking at that time. So, on an average we are working on them?

T. Mittelstadt: There isn't an average.

Davila: So between the three of you, it is taking almost 30 days to get them out.

Hansen: That one was out much before the 30 days.

Davila: No, I am talking about the verbatim ones, like is there something we can look at that is different, is it just having the time.

Hansen: We looked at like Dragon Speech, but that is trained specifically to your voice, it won't pick up a conference. So there is not anything out there that is going to make it.

Swigart: This agenda right here with Mr. Oz Wichman, he talked for an hour and a half. How many pages would that be?

T. Mittelstadt: That is not that one.

Olmedo: It's not this one, that was the March 28<sup>th</sup>.

Dutton: That was the last one, Tini is still working on that one.

T. Mittelstadt: It is probably 10 pages for Oz's speech.

Swigart: Oz Wichman when he was here, it was almost 2 hours oration, so is that something that.

Morones: I don't know if we can pick and choose at that point, because did we need all of Oz's summarization in those two hours on the meeting agenda?

T. Mittelstadt: So Lisa, to answer your question, we are not saying it is going to take the 30 days, this one, the 14<sup>th</sup> that we did before, that one is coming up on 30 days because we have held off on it, we are not saying we are taking 30 days.

Davila: No I was just wondering if there was something else that we could utilize.

Dutton: When does the 30 days start from the day of the meeting?

Hansen: Business days.

Olmedo: Business day.

Dutton: So 30 business days or calendar days?

Hansen: 30 business days.

#### READING, CORRECTION, AND APPROVAL OF THE MARCH 14, 2017 MEETING MINUTES

Dutton: Ok, so should we go ahead and approve these as summarized because that is what we have had the last few months?

T. Mittelstadt: And then just go forward?

Morones: That was going to be my question. Seeing as we have already approved summarization and this being a newly approved item moving forward, I don't know if we can go back since it was already approved for those to be summarized, but yet know that the recordings are available.

Swigart: Yes, the recordings are available is a perfect question. For the attorney that we hired, third party. He is going to use the tapes and the meeting minutes both, right?

Olmedo: We will submit both.

Morones: In my ticket it would be moving forward. Unfortunately, fortunately this is for what is going to happen moving on. We approved that one right, so we can get back to normal.

Swigart: We want to approve March 14, 2017.

Morones: Seeing that we already had this summarization in process when the 14th was done.

Morones motioned to approve the 14<sup>th</sup> meeting minutes as written. Dutton seconded the motion. The motion passed 4-0.

### <u>DISCUSSION, DELIBERATION AND POSSIBLE DECISION TO CHANGE THE DAY AND/OR</u> TIME OF REGULARLY SCHEDULED ROUND MOUNTAIN TOWN BOARD MEETINGS

Morones: Do we know who submitted that? I would like to get their intake, their input.

Swigart: We want to have it at the same time, but the day of the week, what works best for everybody so everybody can be here? There are times when there is just 3 of us and there are times when we are all here. Let's talk about it, if we want to keep it the same, but we are going to go into the summer months.

Morones: I don't know Jim if there is a time where it is actually convenient 100% of the time for all of us.

Davila: I know when we were doing it on Tuesdays and we are actually looking at changing the times. I don't know about the rest of you, but there are things that I moved things around so that I could be here for this. I think the only times I have been absent is either for a vacation or for a HOPE call, so I mean this works for me on Tuesdays, but if doesn't work for everybody then I am up to changing.

Dutton: I am good with Tuesdays at 4:30, because if we do have a late meeting we are not going until 9:00.

Morones: I am too.

Swigart: Tuesday at 4:30 is fine with me.

Dutton: We don't need to make a motion.

Morones: We don't need to take an action on this one, we just move on?

Swigart: No Action.

## SARA SWEENEY REQUESTS TO CONSIDER THE CONDUCT OF THE TOWN MANAGER IN RELATION TO THE HIRING OF THE RECREATION DIRECTOR

Agenda item removed.

#### ANDREW SWAZEY REQUESTS TO FORMALIZE THE HIRING PROCESS

Morones: So going back to this, the only thing I would suggest is to reach out to Andrew if and if we have a process in place, just to let him understand what that process is.

Olmedo: We have invited him to come to the Town Hall.

Morones: That is perfect. Yeah, I just want to make sure that we do address it.

Davila: Is there something if he doesn't come that we send him, just something to show that we are being due diligence to educate him about the hiring process?

Olmedo: Yes, we have asked him to formally request in writing so we can respond back. We have yet to receive that request.

Dutton: Would this not count as a request?

Olmedo: To officially request the what, there are other things that were attached to this, so I asked could we get it in writing so we can get respond and attach all the documents. He has come into our office before and we have sat with him with other things.

Davila: In regards to this particular one, can we consider this a formal request and get it sent out, please?

Olmedo: We can, but let me just tell you that we were told this is an internal process. You know, we will go ahead and talk about this and what not, but this is an internal process that the Town oversees, and with that request there were other things that were attached to the phone call that he submitted, again we are pending everything that he was requesting, so that we can answer all of those questions that he had. Yes, we are formally waiting for everything attached to this; I have yet to hear from Mr. Swazey.

Davila: So is that your way of saying?

Olmedo: We are working on it yes; we have made contact from our office numerous times.

Davila: Ok.

Morones: There he is.

Davila: Hi Andrew.

Andrew Swazey: Hello.

Swigart: So what do you want to do with that?

Morones: I don't even know if there is any action.

Swigart: I don't know, we can move on.

Olmedo: We can't take any actions.

Morones: If we need to discuss it again we can leave it on the agenda, but there is really no action.

# <u>DISCUSSION, DELIBERATION, AND POSSIBLE DECISION ON ADOPTING A ROUND MOUNTAIN TOWN BOARD BY-LAWS</u>

Olmedo: Have you all decided what you all want to do? We have given you, we have reached out to Nye County Administration, and they sent the by-laws from Gabbs, Beatty Advisory Board and Board of County Commission. Is there a format that you all?

Swigart: Have you guys had a chance to look at the Beatty and the?

Dutton: I have not.

Davila: I have not.

Morones: They are all pretty similar, here is the, I am going to beat this to death, but here is what I would like to see, for our Town Manager utilizing, we have entrusted for the Town, utilizing what you have seen that would apply to us, and have a set of by-laws that we can look at and approve for the Town Board. This has been going around for quite a while and all we have are examples of other town board by-laws. Can we not work off of those and have something set that we can look at and approve for us, instead of approve what we have seen used for other towns.

Olmedo: These are just examples of what other towns are doing. You guys are going to have to take some time, take a look at them and figure out what you as a board want.

Morones: So let me ask this question. Who is putting the by-laws together, are we doing it or are you doing it?

Olmedo: It is for the 5 of you.

Morones: Done, ok.

Swigart: I think that we need to have a special meeting on that and pretty much pick what we like and what we don't like from each one of those and then add, and then keep searching if there was something out there before that the Town Board had here for the last 26 years has used.

Morones: Now that we have someone in the audience to ask. Dan has there ever been a set of by-laws, rules, conduct that the Town has ever worked off of that you know are aware of?

Dan Sweeney: The NRS, we went of the NRS.

Morones: All of it off the NRS.

Sweeney: You can't go any less than the NRS's, you can go more, but you can't go less. So you follow the NRS in all of our policies and procedures. That is where you start at, and then you can pick or chose. How we have done it in the past, we put a couple Board Members when we have done PMP. We have done PMP's out here twice. We actually sat down with a couple board members, two not three, but two of them. We sat down and put it all together and brought it back to the board, for the board's and then brought it back to those two people. Sometimes it worked and the last time it didn't. The last time it got so convoluted we went from 180 pages and we were trying to neck it down and that is why we got the insurance pool involved. Insurance pool does for PMP's and stuff like that and that is where we leaned on them heavily for the support, before this didn't work so. It would be my suggestion that you work with two of you to pick and choose what you see in there to present to the board, to bring it back. It takes special meetings out of the way, it takes a lot of that stuff as long as you guys are with it and meets with the Town Manager and one other person to take notes and bang it out on the computer.

Swigart: This is a question. Did you follow the same for the hiring procedure when you were the town manager?

Sweeney: NRS's, yep, and the way we were taught with the state and the insurance pool, they have the do's and the don'ts to do that, there hiring practice. I have been reading your minutes and there is a lot of different things going on, I always brought it as a personnel transmittal in an open meeting, apparently insurance pool frowns on that now, but that was always brought by the recommendation by the Town Manager as a personnel transmittal. Hiring, that type of stuff, you guys approved the personnel transmittal, not the person, the personnel transmittal

and in years I have only had 1 person that they have ever said no to, in 23 years and that could have got us in trouble.

Dutton: Are we even allowed to have meetings without by-laws?

Olmedo: Well the NRS's that he is talking about that they followed is the open meeting law manual.

Dutton: Correct, but that is something, the County doesn't even have a copy of by-laws for us. So where does that leave us in the meantime. We don't have anything.

Olmedo: In the meantime, we can state that we have been trying to ensure that we comply with the NRS's that he is talking about and that we don't violate anything that is in that open meeting law manual.

Swigart: And a lot of the information, it is in the first 5 paragraphs.

Morones: Judging by what they have, there is not a lot of by-laws. It is nothing more than a schedule on how we are going to conduct the meetings.

Swigart: Yes.

Sweeney: We used Robert's Rules of Order that was adopted by the Town Board prior to me being on the Town Board and everybody should have a copy of that. That was adopted by this Town, the Roberts Rules of Order.

Morones: Robert's Rules of Order?

Sweeney: That was adopted by the board prior to Dan and we have never changed it.

Davila: You've never heard of Robert's Rules of Order? It tells you.

Morones: Oh yeah, yeah, yeah.

Swigart: It's just impressing how the meeting is run. From the Chairman before me the Chairman so historically conduct the by-laws, how we have the 3 minute comment, how we have the pledge of Allegiance.

Sweeney: Those are up over and above what's in Robert's.

Davila: So my next question would be then, if we are tasked with doing our own by-laws and using some of these as a format or an example or however you want to word it, then are we up against anything with coming back saying Pool/Pact won't allow this or Pool/Pact won't allow that, I mean are we up against that, like have to submit them so that they can approve them.

Swigart: As long as we follow the NRS statutes, I don't think there is going to be any problems. If you looked at Gabbs or looked at Beatty's had. There are somethings that are a little different.

Morones: So these by-laws are nothing more than what Dan said, policies and procedures. Looking at them, it just tells about the Board, what our duties are, how we are elected, and how the meetings are conducted. There is nothing in here on how the election is process is run. I don't see anything in any of them that address anything specific about hiring or those intricacies of Pearl and below. They are really basic, here is what we are going to do, here is how we are elected, and here is how our voting is going to go, here when the meetings take place.

Sweeney: There will be a lot of redundancy in that also from the NRS, so we pulled it from the NRS.

Swigart: So, let me offer, if you can send those to me electronically, I will put together 2 or 3 different examples for you guys to look at.

Morones: I was going to make the same offer, just to let you know that I pulled the offer to Pearl and give it to you, but you beat me to the punch.

Swigart: I will put together what works for us.

Morones: Is that our action or is the action that he is putting something together?

Olmedo: I would table it.

Morones: Ok.

Davila: Do you want to include number 11 in on that Jim?

Dutton: Since you are already doing it.

Swigart: Yes

Item Tabled.

### <u>DISCUSSION, DELIBERATION, AND POSSIBLE DECISION ON A MISSION STATEMENT FOR</u> THE TOWN OF ROUND MOUNTAIN

Morones moved to include the mission statement within the decision of adopting the Round Mountain Town Board By-Laws that will be proposed by Jim. Davila seconded the motion; the motion passed 4-0.

## <u>DISCUSSION, DELIBERATION, AND POSSIBLE DECISION TO HIRE PART-TIME, FULL-TIME, STIPEND, OR REMAIN AS A VOLUNTEER FOR THE FIRE CHIEF POSITION</u>

Swigart: Being the assistant fire chief, I don't have a vote on this, but I can express my view point. Like I said, in the past on record is that there is a huge; the most important thing is public safety. The next most important thing is the safety of the firemen. There has to be someone that is going to take the accountability for that. And if you don't have a person, the right person that can be the fire chief or coordinator or whatever and take that responsibility, there is a huge liability for the Town of Round Mountain. If someone was to get hurt, if there was loss of life or there was loss of property, and the firemen weren't trained, they hadn't had their training, they weren't up on their certificates, and there was no one that held them accountable for that. The training wasn't or didn't mean NFPA Standards; I am talking a huge liability. So just give someone a few extra bucks to say you are going to be the chief or you run the firemen, I don't think that is probably in the best interest. The other thing is that there is close to 20 volunteer firemen and there is only one paid and that is the Chief and he is going to retire in November.

Sweeney: I am not paid.

Swigart: You aren't paid?

Olmedo: Stipend.

Swigart: That's right, but it was a paid position at one time and you did two rolls Town Manager. There is an opportunity for something, something of maybe a duel position.

Morones: Let me go back a little. You said you are stipend now is that what it is?

Sweeney: No.

Morones: Just strictly volunteer?

Swigart: 2 ½ years contracted in lieu of pay, he received the home and the insurance.

Sweeney: That was over and above that. I stayed on because I really like the group guys we have. For the record Dan Sweeney Volunteer Fire Chief. Lisa you were on the Board and Jim was on the Board. 2015 I retired. I worked out a contract with the Town Board, for 2 years I would stay on to work with the firemen to get them up and running, to keep them going. I enjoy being a fireman; it was my career before I came to the Town of Round Mountain. I know the importance of a paid chief. When I was hired in here, I was the first paid chief that was ever hired by the town. To get the department in and get the town rated for the insurance ISO, that was my first job in 1992 was to get you guys, the town, cheaper insurance rates on your insurance. So we spent almost a year on that project and we got it going, got the rates down to 4, I think it is 4 or 5 now, which saves you a ton of money when it comes to insurances on mobile homes. When I was hired the Town Board left it to the town manager to meet with the volunteers to see what they wanted. They worked with the volunteers and made sure the person that was coming in, was volunteer friendly. If you put the wrong person in there you could be sitting here with no volunteers and that is very tough. I came in here blind; I only knew a few of the people through joint training with Tonopah, through the EMT program. I think Jim was in a class that we came out and did out here during EMT time, so it worked out well. Now times have changed, they have, now we are in 2017, so would definitely see what you guys want to do. If you are going to throw pay scale at it, it you want to do volunteers, if you want strictly volunteers. I will need to talk to my volunteers also, what they would like to see for training. That is it, we train every Thursday night, and we have different facets we have, we have fire, we have rescue, we have hazmat, and we have first responder, we have NONA. We get goofy calls, I mean, who knows if a plane is going to crash out here, that was one of my first calls, a plane crash, right on top of a car. We went out there and you have to have the person in there to do that, and that person has to continue their education, being a volunteer or a paid. Their education is there, because everything is changing, just on airbags, one simple car, our tools are almost obsolete now because we can't cut into that car because of technologies is growing up. Now we have 40 thousand dollars' worth of tools there, a couple cutters, but if we touch the wrong thing, the car will shatter the tools. So we have always got that going, so there is a lot more to it than just going out there when the pager goes off. You have to stay up on current events, so that is up to you guys, your board and Pearl, whether to do a paid chief, which there is time. I utilized Mitch an awful lot because I was duel role, so Mitch was my maintenance guy. Before I was Town Manager and got busy building buildings, I was still changing oils and changing lights and doing the day to day stuff, but maintenance came in and stepped in. Now you go in once a month and we check the trucks out as a department, we put it on the board and Mitch works closely with the board or me, you have to have a go to person. It is up to you guys and what you want to see the progression to be. I think a paid chief, being a paid person before and being a volunteer and knowing the time that I have spent down there. I have signed up for 200 hours in the last two years I have probably given 400 hours last year because I was still kind of in the work mode, and this year I am approaching 200 hours already. So it just depends on what you want to do, and what the volunteers want to see. You have got 20 guys, but we are a very transient community. Bald Mountain has taken a lot of my guys, 3 of my good people have gone to Bald Mountain, two captains, so I have to start working with captains now. That is training that you can't just get over night that is leadership training and stuff like that. We are starting, it seems like we are starting fresh about every 6 months, you know with a new group of people, and it takes a lot of time and effort. Pearl can tell you what it takes, we have it down now that they have to sign in, and we have to make sure that they are covered underneath training for us. They have to sign in for their training at night. If you don't have that consistency going forward, and you have somebody in there that doesn't do that, what Jim was talking about, it is a liability.

Morones: Let me ask again, how do you see it moving forward? Your recommendation, your thought process, you have done this for this Town for a long time, it is hard even envisioning you not being there as our fire chief, but being there what is your thought. You are still part of the group, so what would your recommendation be?

Sweeney: Hire a fire chief, there is enough things for that fire chief, just for that person to do and be sending him to work with his volunteers. There is enough to do with the trucks, with the training. This person is going to be gone a little bit, unless you hire another fire chief that has those credentials, but then again, it all goes off of pay scales and stuff like that. I was a paid fireman in Tonopah; I came out here and got lucky. I was probably classified as a captain because I ran the scenes until the chief or assistant chief got there, being paid, but I was just another station guy and that is where I established it out here, where the station was ready to go and we have a lot more equipment and a lot more stuff, technology and we just spent close to 40 thousand dollars in 10 years, 40 thousand in turnouts, we just received a grant, a Homeland Security Grant for about 100 thousand dollars' worth of air packs, and that stuff has to be maintained and that is stuff the chief can do. I rely heavily on these guys. We us it as training, it is their equipment too, they have to know their equipment, they have to know their turnouts, their air packs, how to put wet stuff on the red stuff, or run the rescue truck. So that is my opinion, I am a career firefighter with two years of being a volunteer or almost two years and I enjoy it, and I can tell you when I leave I would like to be still involved to help out the new chief or whoever you hire, has got a lean to, just like Pearl and I have talked when something has come up, like how did we do it previously. Just like Jim has asked me, anybody else, I am still going to be a member of the community. I still have a year left on the LEPC which is very important it is working with the county staff. I have worked with the state. The fire chief works with the state for the inspections of daycares and the schools and that type stuff. When they come in, they expect to meet with the chief. If you call a volunteer, I am still here, retired, yeah I meet with them. If you hire a volunteer chief, and they blow into town, if he is working at the mine or somewhere else, there is where you get the separation of what we have been able to accomplish here. I can talk with the volunteers with direction from Pearl; however you want me to do it. Put one wrong person in there, you will lose it, you will lose a lot of guys, and you don't want to see that. There is a couple million dollars' worth of equipment down there that you guys have been fortunate enough to get, through hard work on this board.

Swigart: A lot of hard work by yourself chief. Thank you for that.

Morones: Yeah it's not easy.

Sweeney: Fun, we make it fun, that is important.

Swigart: Anyone else, I see some fireman, you guys come on up and express your views. Now is the time, don't be shy.

Justin Naegle: I think every establishment needs a leader hands down. I have been fortunate enough to have Dan Sweeney as our leader out here. I think we need personally a paid fire chief, someone who will set the bar for us, keep us going. We have a pretty good thing going down there right now. We have a bunch of good volunteers, but it needs leadership there is no doubt about it, we have a bunch of good captains but stuff. We are talking about the safety of our town, our hazmat, our people, this is our community. I think we need a leader.

Davila: Thank you.

Dutton: Is that kind of the consensus throughout?

Sweeney: We haven't asked, we have talked a little bit about it, but we have not gotten any direction from you guys, which you would like to see. I can bring back a report to you or send these guys back. You know we will flood the meeting and they can talk pros and cons with you.

Dutton: Well I think you're, the firehouse input is the most important, you guys know what you need and then it is up to us to make that happen.

Sweeney: Well we have meetings and I will start polling.

Dutton: You said every Thursday?

Davila: Are we allowed to attend those meetings?

Sweeney: Well 2 of you are. You know and I don't want you to pressure the Board either, it's something they will talk freely about.

Davila: I think we should just table it until we are able to get more information.

Swigart: Have you ever been down to get a tour of the firehouse?

Dutton: A tour?

Swigart: Yes, I think we should do that.

Morones: Dan you carried a dual role, Town Manger and Fire Chief for so long and maybe they go hand in hand, right. Can this new fire chief have a dual role? If they are already a Town employee, can you see them doing both? Or are we looking at a fire chief that that is all they are going to have time for?

Sweeney: I was hired in as fire chief, for that position, full time. When the Town Manager passed away unfortunately behind his desk, the Town Board came in and offered me five months, do you want to try it? Well that is how it started and I was able to keep it going and it got busy, I mean, when we were building buildings. Yes I was busy down there, but then in the last 7 or 8 years these guys were relatively new, we leaned on the volunteers to take more pride, not pride but more responsibility into their station, but if you put the wrong person in there. The state did do some stuff, took some things. I used to inspect the mine, I us to be up there almost, I was up there 3 days a week when the mill was getting built, and I was still accomplishing the Town Manager job. And low and behold when I got that under control they threw two water companies at us, oh boy wasn't that fun, that is why I leaned on these guys a lot more and it has worked out. If you don't have the right person to there to lean, you don't have the training schedules and that, and we are required by LEPC to do hazmat once a month. We are required by different statutes to do that. We follow a few of the NFPA codes, but we are entry level fire fighters. A fire fighter 1 and 2 in the state is over a year program that you have to have a complete dedication. It is almost like an EMT class but it is a lot longer. It shows every facet, there is about 60 chapters that they have to show. I started it about 3 times and got close and then boom, feel apart, lost people, lost interest, but they are still trained up to entry level.

Swigart: Ok, we have some time.

Davila: I was going to say, can we table it.

Swigart: We have some time.

Sweeney: I'll poll them. I will get together with them and see what they would like, if it is a stipend, if it is a volunteer.

Dutton: If it is full time, part time?

Sweeney: Full time, part time, if you were thinking of an employee. You have to have the right employee in there; I know you are probably thinking about Darrick.

Morones: That is kind of what was implied, or thought even by the same crew before. It would just be the discipline as to there, to not hurt the Town itself, but again, I want to hear from you guys, I want to know where hear your thought process is.

Swigart: And you are looking at what Dan, November?

Sweeney: November 2<sup>nd</sup>, contracts up.

Dutton: Can we extend that contract?

Sweeney: What was that?

Dutton: Can we extend that contract?

Sweeney: I am not going to go anywhere until you guys make a decision, good, bad, you know I worked really hard, really hard to get what we have done out here. You know you are, this town is a shining place. When our guys go out of town they are represented very well, they are trained up; they do that type of stuff. It is just, the state, nobody has any money. We are dying for knowledge in this department. It is hard for me to get these guys doing more, I mean, so that is when it comes to the out of town training, your FODS, your fire officers development training, your chiefs training and stuff like that. That is something if you miss it is once a year. You two went last year and that is on a grant that we receive and that is through LEPC that the chief initiates and has to work with the paper work all the way through. If you have a volunteer do that, if he misses one deadline, nobody goes to class for another year.

Morones: Good stuff.

Sherman Richardson: Can I say something?

Morones: Yes sir.

S. Richardson: Dan I have heard you say 3 times, "the right person" if your department doesn't stand up and say this is the person we want to lead us, then these people don't know what they are doing.

Sweeney: Correct, and I agree with that, you know, but that happened before I got here and it was very intimidating because the Town Manager interviewed 3 people, 2 in the running, and the volunteers sat here and it was a very heated meeting at that time, and they said, if you give it to that guy and we will quit.

S. Richardson: And that is exactly what you are talking about right now, if your department doesn't stand up and this is the person we need to lead us, then these people don't know what to do.

Sweeney: And I think that is what you guys are sending me back for.

Morones: That is kind of what we are looking for. The impression I got at the last meeting is they have someone in mind. Whether it will work or a difference, it almost sounded like they have collectively chosen someone to be a leader, given credit that they can't come forward at that time and say.

Sweeney: I don't know, it hasn't been me, and I think they are a little intimidated around me, because they are picking my replacement.

Morones: Sure and we are asking. They are not ousting you to bring someone else in, you guys have a tight knit crew and it is obvious that the respect is there. I would love to hear what collectively you guys have to say.

Sam Lauver: Sam Lauver for the record. Sherman, thank you for bringing that up, that is something I have been thinking about quite a bit.

S. Richardson: Well it had to be done.

S. Lauver: We can't just have any 'ol guy walking in off the street and saying whatever work history he has, it has got to be somebody we as a team also respect and fits in.

Cory Hansen: We already know who he is, but he doesn't want it.

Morones: And unfortunately sometimes that may be the case. It may be someone you don't know.

Lauver: It is a huge issue, thanks for bringing that up.

S. Richardson: And you can't be afraid to hurt somebody's feelings.

Morones: Business is business, right.

Swigart: How many firemen are on the mine rescue team and work together up there? The majority of them?

Olmedo: The majority of them.

Sweeney: Yep, we have a good rapport with RMGC. We've had it since I have been here, working with the mine rescue team. They afford us a lot of training; we afford them a lot of equipment. We are their primary on a lot of different things up there and done a lot with them. We have worked with the safety department at length. Worked with Ben Sheppard back in 1992, when there were only 3 of them in the whole mine.

Swigart: Ok, you guys have any more questions?

Morones: Anyone else on that?

Swigart: Alright, thank you Dan and you guys, we will give you a call and see when you are available and maybe get with you.

Sweeney: Yes, I am here.

Morones: When is your next meeting?

Lauver: Thursday night at 6.

Swigart: If you haven't been down there I would recommend it. Go look at the equipment, it is probably the best equipped rural fire department in the state hands down, wouldn't you say Dan.

Sweeney: I agree, and training wise we are working towards that again. It is just new guys, but we are accelerating. I have lost 2 captains so we have to promote some captains up in there as captains in training.

C. Hansen: And in my opinion, the reason our fire department is so good is because of you Dan.

Swigart: Anything else on this? Ok, let's move on, thank you.

Item Tabled

### ADOPTION OF TOWN OF ROUND MOUNTAIN PERSONNEL POLICY MANUAL AS REVIEWED BY POOL PACT

Olmedo: On this one, you brought up an interesting observation, and I think that we need to double check to make sure that the by-laws and this one, if they should be working hand in hand or not. So I would like to table it, because you brought a good observation Lisa and I would like to address that.

Swigart: So we need to make sure we meet NRS standards.

Davila: Is it done?

Olmedo: It is done.

Davila: So if we are tasked with putting together the by-laws, we should have that for review. We don't have to adopt it, but we could have it for review.

Olmedo: Yes, you could have it for review, so I will get that out to you tonight and I want to ask if they need to intertwine or be kept separately, it want to double check that one.

Dutton: Well the personnel policy shouldn't involve the Board, right? Isn't personnel meaning just employees?

Olmedo: Employees, but I don't know if the Board, because I know in our personnel policy it does state the Board throughout the policy itself. I just want to make sure that the by-laws.

Morones: That we would have to adopt, that is a good question.

Davila: I was going to say.

Swigart: It seems like something we'd be directed by.

Morones: I would agree with Lisa, I would like a copy even before we, so we can at least review and see what is on there.

Olmedo: Yes of course, but I want to table that.

Davila: So that will be sent out tonight?

Olmedo: Yes I will send it to you tonight.

Item Tabled.

## <u>DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE DECISION TO DESIGNAT DANIEL C. MCARTHUR AS THE TOWN'S AUDITOR FOR THE FISCAL YEAR 2017-2018</u>

Olmedo: We have him through this year, June 30, 2017.

Swigart: And how many years, he has done it for a long time.

Olmedo: He has done it a long time.

Davila: Having said that again, I will be a voice of reason. We have been advised and we have been cautioned about hiring the same auditor year after year after year. It has been posed to everybody that those change. I can't remember there was a year amount to it though. We have been with this particular gentleman for quite some time and I think we need to reevaluate.

Olmedo: Which you know we are reaching out, but I just want to remind you all that when we turned in our final budget from last year we had them on contract through 2017. So this would be the last audit if we were to go with a different firm.

Dutton: This is for the fiscal year 2017-2018 though. So is his contract through December 2017?

Olmedo: Yes, he will have to come back in December to present this financial statement as of June 30, 2017.

Morones: If he is already under contract, why do we have it as an agenda item?

Olmedo: Even though we have him under contract, we have to send an update letter to the state every year.

Dutton: I do think it is good to change it up every now and then, just to make sure we are doing things correctly.

Morones: I do too.

Olmedo: We have reached out and because of the dead line tomorrow, there was no one interested in sending it until after tomorrow.

Morones: So there are no extra incurred costs for Daniel McArthur at this point, we have

Olmedo: It is already paid.

Morones: It is already paid for right? But for the fiscal 2018-2019 after this one is done, we can start entertain.

Olmedo: We can start entertaining, just like I said, we can start the discussion.

Morones: I would like to do that.

Olmedo: As soon as we get some proposals in. We have got a letter of intent out, but no one wants to respond prior to April 18<sup>th</sup>.

Davila: How many letters have been sent out?

Olmedo: We found 3 firms.

Davila: In Las Vegas and Reno area, only 3 firms.

Olmedo: Yep.

R. Hansen: That were rated.

Morones: To solicit for CPA?

R. Hansen: That were rated. The fourth one I have does not do audits.

Davila: Wow, only 3 firms in Reno and Vegas.

R. Hansen: There were more than 3 firms but

Morones: What do you mean rated, that was the operative word.

R. Hansen: Google, I went in and search everyone that came up and read reviews, and anyone that was higher than 4 stars, with more than a couple of reviews.

Morones: Oh, but there is plenty other CPA's that would do that. You are not just looking for ratings that are higher.

R. Hansen: I was looking for high ratings of people that have dealt with state or town, or any of those types of things before.

Morones: Ok.

Olmedo: On top of that we are looking for experienced auditing firms. Just with the different funds, we have a total of 6 funds that we work with and you know that the experience there helps.

Davila: I just find it hard to believe that there is only 3 in the Reno/Vegas area that know how to do this.

Dutton: Well rated

Morones: For her rating right.

Davila: So I think that we need to investigate that a little bit further.

R. Hansen: A lot of them came up and they were in California.

Swigart: Now he does other towns in Nye County also, right?

Olmedo: Yes, he does Nye County and the towns within County.

Morones: Yeah, I find it hard to believe there is only 3. I get the rating system, but.

Swigart: I can see where you put out a, we have 3 bids from these CPA's and their firms.

Morones: Did you put it out for bid or did you reach out to them?

R. Hansen: We reached out to them.

Swigart: To see if they were interested?

R. Hansen: To see if they could write a proposal.

Morones: That is a tough one, we would be tying our hands there.

R. Hansen: I got told from every person, you realize tax deadline is the 18<sup>th</sup>. We are in crunch time, so it won't be until after that that we can get to you.

Morones: Yeah, but we are not asking them to do anything this year, right?

R. Hansen: Fiscal year 2017-2018 would be July of 2017 through June of 2018 would be our.

Dutton: Our contract ends.

Davila: But our contract ends in December, so we really wouldn't need one.

Morones: We still have McArthur right?

Olmedo: We have McArthur currently, he is going to audit this one that we are currently working in right now.

Morones: Which is 2016-2017?

Olmedo: Yes, 2016-2017, so 2017-2018 we are up in the air and that is the reason we have got the ball rolling. Not one firm was interested; they just don't have the time.

Morones: So next year they will be doing 2017-2018. Don't we have the rest of the year to find that?

Olmedo: Yes we do have some time, but we got the ball started.

Morones: Of course.

Dutton: Can we table this one as well, I mean tax day will be up in March, right?

Olmedo: Yes, we can table.

Morones: We are doing 2016-2017 right.

Davila: My concern is, if we table this particular one, then we are going to be once again on the heels of trying to rush and find somebody to do it. I mean is there anything that we can start the process on in terms of.

Dutton: No, but this is for next year.

Olmedo: Next year.

Morones: This time next year will be for 2017-2018.

Davila: Ok.

Morones: I would like to give it more time to find others, other than 3.

Davila: Well that is what I am saying, to kind of possibly put an action on this to identify other things that we could look at.

R. Hansen: Well you can table it for Mc Arthur and we will still work on our end for getting more.

Morones: Ok.

Swigart: Let's do that, let's move forward.

Item Tabled.

#### CORRISPONDENCE, AWARDS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS, AND DEPARTMENT UPDATES

Olmedo: You have 9 items this evening.

- 1. Letter from Nevada Department of Environmental Protection Notice of Proposed Action by the State of Nevada for Permit Number: NEV2017104, the deadline to submit a comment is April 22, just an FYI.
- 2. Gmail from Samantha Tackett, dated 3/29/17, RE: Open Meeting Law and Ethics Training. You are all covered for the year; I am not sure if it is calendar year or fiscal year, so I better get clarification on that. If it is for calendar year, your last open meeting law training was done in 2016. In 2017 they just encourage everyone to try to attend as many as you can.

Dutton: We did one this past January didn't we?

Olmedo: I thought it was December.

R. Hansen: Was it January? I thought it was December I can't remember. Roger, do you remember, Lisa?

Davila: All I know is we have to sit through that again?

Morones: At some point by the end of this year, we might have to. I think it was before the end of the year.

R. Hansen: Was it November or December then?

Olmedo: It was in November.

Davila: I don't remember it being November.

Morones: It was cold and I remember you brought goodies.

Olmedo: It was in the firehouse.

Dutton: It was in the firehouse, but I was thinking it was right after our new terms started. Our new terms started January  $4^{th}$  or something.

Morones: You are correct, it was January.

Davila: It was January.

Morones: It was after we were all elected.

Olmedo: Let me double check on that to keep.

Morones: To keep on pace, that is correct, nice memory. You have the record if you could verify that that would be great.

Davila: It was January, and there is a typo if it doesn't say January.

Swigart: There were hand outs and online too.

Morones: Not handouts it was like a binder.

3. Letter from Porter Simon – RE: Request for Proposal General Counsel Services for the Town of Round Mountain with Statement of Qualifications. Our office sent out a request for proposal for general counsel services for the Town of Round Mountain. This is just correspondence for you guys to look over. I am going to go ahead and put on the next agendas, so we can see if we want to entertain that idea or not.

Davila: In terms of?

Olmedo: You know we used to rely heavy on the District Attorney's office to review contracts. I think the last time we had the DA's office review contracts for us was when our fire chief retired and you all signed that agreement with him. Well now that an AG's opinion came out, we have to pay for those services. From what I understand, we tried to reach out a couple of times and the DA's office has been pretty much busy. They don't do the daily things that we would like to have seen. Like if we have a question regarding an agenda item, we want to make sure we are following the NRS's and whatnot, we don't have that capability any more to request a quick "Hey can you look over this for me". They will only represent the Town of Round Mountain if it goes to litigation.

Davila: So let me ask you something. If we consider this, will this be in lieu of Pool/Pact?

Olmedo: No, it will be separate. This is just.

Davila: So we will be paying two entities for almost the same services?

Olmedo: The Pool/Pact office does not give us legal opinions. They only refer us, if we want a legal opinion they only refer us to law firms to get those legal opinions. So again, it is just us sending out a proposal, if we have to reach out to the DA's office we get charged anyways.

Morones: Do we get charged this much? I would suggest we.

Olmedo: It is just correspondence.

Morones: \$250 to \$400 an hour, I mean is the DA that much?

Olmedo: As far as the DA I am not sure, I've got to reach out to her office to see what their charge is if they were to review contracts for us, review any liability waivers that are outside of Pool/Pacts scope, things like that.

Swigart: Can we just us legal zoom?

Olmedo: So again it is just an idea. I am not asking you guys to decide on it tonight.

- 4. Letter from Round Mountain Gold Corporation Notice to Nye County Commissioner's Application for Renewal of Water Pollution Control Permit #NEV2012102 Round Mountain Gold Corporation-South RIB Complex, dated 3/27/17. Again they just addressed a letter to Nye County Commissioners stating that they submitted an application on April 17<sup>th</sup>, and a public posting and comment period will take place prior to issuing of the new permit.
- 5. Letter from Nevada Department of Environmental Protection Notice of Decision Water Pollution Control Permit Number NEV2010110 Round Mountain Gold Corporation Gold Hill Project, dated 3/28/17. This permit became effective April 12, 2017. I don't know if you guys have had a chance to look at these notices of decisions.
- 6. Letter from Round Mountain Gold Corporation RE: RMGC Outdoor Festival License Application, RMGC 4th of July Picnic, dated 4/6/17. I let Mrs. Wootton know that she would be on the April 25 agenda. We should hear back from Nye County whether they were approved or not by them is what I figure.
- 7. Tonopah Library Board of Trustees Meeting Agenda for 4/12/17.
- 8. Tonopah Town Board Meeting Amended Agenda for 4/12/17.
- 9. Meeting of the Northern Nye County Hospital District Board of Trustees Agenda for 4/20/17.

Olmedo: As far as maintenance updates, I have the maintenance staff in the audience. You can give a brief explanation of what you have going, please.

Mitch Mittelstadt: We will be assisting the golf course with pulling the pump out of their pump house with our boom truck, tomorrow. I am in the process of making a new Town Hall sign. We are getting ready to turn the sprinklers on next week. There is always an iron in the fire so to speak with things going on. Any questions.

Dutton: How is the sewage, are we up and running?

M. Mittelstadt: We will be assisting Triple Point installing the aerators later this week. If the weather cooperates I guess.

Olmedo: I have an update in regards to that. So at the last Board Meeting we had said that we should be on line April 14<sup>th</sup>. Well that did not happen, Triple Point sent out the wrong specs for the installation, so working back and forth between myself, the water operator, Lumos and Triple Point and the electrician, we came to an agreement that Triple Point is eating the cost of fixing the problem. I let them know that the Town of Round Mountain was not going to pay, we've already paid the electrical contractor their amount, anything beyond that, whether mistakes came up, is not at the fault of Town of Round Mountain. The day they were installing our water operator was out with a journeyman electrician, and just standing over him and listening to him. He could not figure out why we could not get on line, there was an error coming back saying that there was not enough power. Well what happened was we had too much; the panel that came out had too much power. So they just weren't connecting, it was not, it was defaulting to, we can get you on line we could spark a problem. So the water operator opened the panel and said hey, you realize this is not what we had to spec. We have got the wrong voltage.

Morones: So they are eating the cost to get it replaced?

Olmedo: Long story short, Triple Point is eating the cost of everything and correcting it all, bringing their own electricians and they will be out this Thursday and Friday to make sure that everything is on line.

Morones: What kind of delay are we incurring, day wise?

Olmedo: We have been in delay since the 14<sup>th</sup>. We should have been on line the 7<sup>th</sup>. So 8 days today.

Morones: So the delays are on their end and they have admitted to that?

Olmedo: It was on their end.

Morones: Is there a financial or per diem impact on days being delay at their cost? Being that they are a financial impact to us for this.

Olmedo: No there is no financial impact to us.

Morones: So how do we hold them responsible for these days that they have been delayed, at their cost? We obviously have man power going out there and helping them, manpower that wouldn't have been needed had it been brought in on time. Our water operator, how do we pay for his time? It wasn't warranted seeing as how it was delays on their end.

Swigart: Was it from the warehouse, where was the mistake? The original specks were right, did it come from the shipping?

Morones: Obviously they were wrong.

Swigart: No cause he looked at them and said they were right.

Olmedo: From what we can gather it was from the manufacturer.

Swigart: The manufacturer sent the wrong

R. Hansen: The manufacturer sent the incorrect part, it was caught way back and the piece that they sent as a replacement was the wrong voltage.

Morones: So how do we cover Mitch's time for a delay that did not come from us?

Olmedo: It would have been the water operator's time.

Morones: Ok, can we submit them a bill for time rendered on a project that should have been completed.

Olmedo: We can, it doesn't hurt to ask.

Morones: That would be great.

Olmedo: So for the materials coming in, I let them know that we are not paying for anything, as far as calling in a new electrical company; we are not paying for anything. So between myself, Lumos and Associates, and Triple Point, I refused to pay for Lumos' time to come back and make sure everything is done to spec. So they are all aware of that.

Morones: We gave them time because of weather.

Olmedo: Because of weather.

Davila: They have had plenty of time.

Morones: And we have allowed that, with smiles on our faces. I don't think we can allow that any more. Especially if it is at their hands, we are spending time when our guys can be doing other things. So I would like to see if we could entertain how much time we have donated past completion that we can bill for.

Swigart: And if it is the contractor or consultant or whoever, somebody should be accountable for the delays. All this stuff arrived before they started work, they could have easily checked out parts, pieces, part numbers and stuff before the installation. Correct?

**Dutton:** Yes

Morones: What do you think Mitch, I mean.

M. Mittelstadt: I am just a maintenance guy.

Morones: But you are our maintenance guy. I did have one other question for Mitch. Are we still helping them water the greens? I saw our water truck out there because their pumps were down, are we still helping.

M. Mittelstadt: We are still assisting.

Swigart: The fire chief was out there Thursday. You may have seen it on our website.

Morones: Is that who I saw, for some reason I thought I saw Mitch in there.

Swigart: No it was Josh. Over the weekend the fire chief said we could us the brush truck to water.

Morones: Perfect, awesome.

Swigart: A big thanks to Mitch, hopefully we will get our motor on, our pony pump and get the golf course with water, tomorrow afternoon hopefully. That is a lot easier than doing it by hand with the brush truck. Ok, what about the pool, have you heard anything about the pool?

Olmedo: No updates, they will be out this week that is the only update. Same thing I said last week. We are working on holding them accountable for some time delays there as well.

### CLOSED MEETING PURSUANT TO NRS 241.030 DISCUSSION TO CONSIDER ALLEGED CHARACTER, PROFESSIONAL MISCONDUCT OR COMPETENCE OF THE ADMINISTRATIVE AIDE, DALEANA MITTELSTADT

Swigart: Since we will be discussing a Town Employee; we will be closing the meeting to the public.

Morones: Do we go?

Olmedo: It is up to you guys if you want to remove them or bounce on over to the Teen Center.

Morones: They are here for the meeting; I would hate to burden them. Are you guys ok letting them stay.

Dutton: Yes.

Olmedo: So just make sure that we recess at approximately 5:50 pm.

Swigart: It is 6:09 pm April 17, 2017 Town of Round Mountain meeting is back is session.

## PERSONNEL ACTION: A. DISCUSSION AN DECISION TO AWARD 3% MERIT INCREASE FOR ADMINISTRATIVE AIDE

Morones: Is this for fiscal year 2017-2018?

Olmedo: No, it is the current one we are working in 2016-2017.

Morones: When does 2016 start, when was the beginning of fiscal 2016?

Olmedo: July 1, 2016 ending June 30, 2017.

Morones: When we did this last year, this wasn't on there? This is something totally different from the merit increases we did last year?

Olmedo: The merit increases that we previously did for 3 employees, it was favorable reviews and it passed at that time.

Morones: That was 2015-2016 or was that 2016-2017.

Olmedo: 2016-2017.

Morones: And this is 2016-2017?

Olmedo: Yes.

Morones: So in the event that this happens are we looking to retro back to July?

Olmedo: No it would retro to her date of hire which was February 24.

Swigart: What year?

Olmedo: 2017.

Swigart: 2017.

Dutton: Kind of puts us in a tough spot, because if we've done it for those this past this year, we should continue until our new budget, which will be affective July 1<sup>st</sup>. When we decide if we will not be doing anymore merit increases or cost of living raises, because we are going to be in a pickle this year, but if we have done this with the rest of the employees, it is only fair if she had good reviews to do the same.

Morones: This whole fiscal year thing is throwing me.

Davila: It is throwing me too.

Dutton: It is how everyone else does it.

Davila: Well I think that if we were, once again, it is in my opinion that if we say yes for whoever is coming up for this year, that they have the ability to look at it that it is not the same fiscal year. That is my concern, well historically they have done it, well we did this, so.

Dutton: Will we have anyone between now and July 1<sup>st</sup>, do you know off the top of your head?

Olmedo: I would be your last one. Now remember this was a resolution that was agreed upon prior to starting the fiscal year we are now working in, 0 to 4 percent.

Morones: Yes, the fiscal year is what through me off, if we already approved it, I agree with you. It is not for this coming fiscal year 2017-2018, we are still talking about 2016-2017. And for some reason, Tini you have had this position for how long?

T. Mittelstadt: A year as of.

Olmedo: One year and two months.

Morones: I guess that is what, don't we have to go back to the beginning, if we are giving, if we are talking about a merit increase for fiscal year 2016-2017?

Olmedo: It occurs on the anniversary date of hire.

Swigart: So February 24 of this year.

Morones: Copy, thank you.

Swigart: Until, so there would be retro for the past two months.

Olmedo: So pretty much it is saying this person has been kudos from the year that they were employed.

Morones: I got it. You are requesting the 3%?

Swigart: And you have this in the budget? The position is in the budget?

Olmedo: It is in the budget.

Morones: And the merit increase has been accounted for, for 2016-2017 not 2017-2018.

Morones moved to award a 3% merit increase for 2016-2017 for the Administrative Aide. Dutton seconded the motion; the motion passed 4-0.

#### **REVIEW AND APPROVE VOUCHERS**

Davila: What are all these credit card purchases for?

Dutton: Bank of America.

Olmedo: We have notes on them, so Water Conference for one, fuel for water conference, fuel for that same conference, and we had to send an employee on a part run for multiple items. Part for the sewer plant for anchors and that was a meal due to that travel.

Davila: So it behooved us to send him versus having it shipped?

Olmedo: Yes, because they can't ship the dishwasher, or the other piece of equipment that we had to take to Reno for repairs.

Davila: Can you break these down on how much we are spending on credit cards, I am kind of curious. I want to see what we do on an average on a monthly basis.

Olmedo: On credit cards?

Davila: Yes, on a monthly basis. Hopefully you can break it down; to isolate and make sure everything is in the middle and the frequency. I am just curious. I want to know how much we are spending. How much on an average on a monthly basis?

Olmedo: Oh, you want history.

Davila: Yes.

Olmedo: And also not only for the dishwasher, he picked up chlorine for the water company and had to get anchors special ordered.

Dutton: Did you send only him or did you send him and someone.

Olmedo: We had to send Darrick with him, because Darrick has to be on signature for the chlorine so he took him to ensure where to go.

Davila: Why Darrick?

Olmedo: Because he is the lowest paid employee in those departments.

Dutton: Pearl is this fertilizer for the whole year, like for 12 months, how does that, how does that work?

Olmedo: It is for every piece of lawn that the Town owns.

Dutton: For the whole year?

Olmedo: No, it is the starting up of the summer.

Davila: So that is just to start up, that's not.

Olmedo: Yes, that is not uncommon.

Davila: We won't be doing that very much.

Dutton moved to approve the vouchers as written. Morones seconded the motion; the motion passed 4-0.

## <u>BUDGET WORKSHOP - THIS WORKSHOP IS TO DISCUSS THE 2017-2018 FISCAL YEAR BUDGET</u>

Morones: Are there any changes or anything that we should be made aware of?

Olmedo: The last two budget workshops we haven't received any benefits information, so I went ahead and scooted figures over, so these are just tentative figures not the final, we time to still change these budget figures.

So pretty much for administration the total salary and wages is \$433,200.47, the reason why it is so high, I have to clarify that there is a line item accumulated of leave payouts in the amounts of \$300 thousand, as to not confuse the audience that, you know, and salaries only is \$133,200.47. Accumulated payouts was designed, was put in place in the event that we had to shut down the Town for any reason. The money is always budgeted; it does not mean it is always spent, any questions?

Davila: Yes, you said this is not the true figure we are working with, because we discussed that there be no merit increases, there be no overtime, we will be working with an actual figure?

Olmedo: This is budget workshop; this is to submit the tentative.

Davila: I know, but we will be.

Olmedo: We will be, we have to have some concrete figures in place for the final, but in order for me to get my tentative up to the state, I have to put numbers in. We have been tabling our budget hearing the last two meetings, so I have to get figures into the state or it is my name on the line.

Davila: Ok, because on here it says salaries to include overtime 8 thousand.

Olmedo: Yes.

Swigart: How many employees do we have?

Olmedo: 10 or 11.

Davila: Please take that out of there, because we don't want to be dealing with any overtime for this next fiscal year.

Olmedo: Oh, we.

Davila: You can do what we asked, what we discussed, that if there was overtime within any of the positions, what would constitute that, that no position in the Town couldn't flex out their time.

Olmedo: Some of them can't, some of them be flexed, for the administrative aide's position; she is Monday thru Friday 8 to 5, so when she has got to attend the Board Meeting, its 6:24.

Davila: But she can't come in late the next day or come in late that morning?

Olmedo: Let me back up, ok so with hourly employees we cannot do that to avoid comp time.

Davila: What do you mean?

Olmedo: We could get in trouble with the Federal Labor, FSLA.

Morones: To come in later in the day?

Olmedo: Yes, no governmental entity can ask an hourly employee to flex their hours so that we can avoid overtime hours. We could get in trouble with federal.

Morones: But we are not asking for flex time.

Swigart: You are if you are asking her to work in the morning and then take 6 hours off and come to a meeting.

Morones: No we are asking her instead of starting at 8 can they start at 11.

Olmedo: I would strongly advise against that.

Morones: No, no, no can we find out I we can I am not saying tell her, hey go home for a 3 hour lunch. I am with Lisa. If knowing we have a meeting later, and I don't know, and I am not asking her to work, take time off and work. I am just wondering, if they can start later on, on that day that specific day per a schedule if we set, if we set the schedule that way.

Olmedo: So, to answer your question, no.

Morones: Ok.

Swigart: What about leaving early on Friday. Say like.

Davila: What we can say as a Board, please correct me if I am wrong, if we are asking you not to allow overtime, because it also states by law, if you earn comp time, then the company whether it be, has to allow you that time, to flex that time off. In NRS is says, if an employer has you work over you time from 8 to 5 then you, then you also have to allow that employee, given that time to be able use that time that they have over worked. So that is what I am saying, can we say if anybody, I won't use any names, has worked, can they not utilize that time within the pay period appropriately. So that it doesn't lead into overtime costs.

Olmedo: To answer your question, I get what you are saying now.

Davila: Thank you.

Olmedo: So the time over that they work is actually comp time earned, that is what Lisa is talking about.

Morones: It is not actually paid out.

Davila: Well it is paid out.

Morones: It is paid out as Comp time.

Olmedo: It is paid out, but it is comp hours earned.

Morones: Right, it goes to hours comped.

Davila: Yeah, ok, because what happens is, and what has happened historically, and we both know this, it's in Nye County, seeing that if you have over 40 hours of comp time earned, we will use that language, if you earn 2 more during that period or if you are over your 40 hours, I can't identify the language off the top of my head, then it states that you will be paid for those additional 2 hours. Now instead of the comp time it is at a higher rate, what is that rate?

Olmedo: No, no, no it is not at a higher rate. All hours worked outside of you 40 hours is 1.5. That is across the board whether it is earned hours or a dollar value.

Davila: Ok, we need to look at that because I thought it was different.

Olmedo: No, no, no it is 1.5, so back to the line items. Administration budget I have in here \$148,200 for the next fiscal year. I have decreased some line items and increased a couple of them. For instance we had, let me pick out a major one, propane is a big one, you have 30 thousand dollars budgeted in 2016-2017 I decreased it in 2017-2018 to 20 thousand.

Morones: What is our actuals right now, first quarter propane actuals, so we know?

Olmedo: Our actuals for the year, not including, have you completed the March? I am going off March 14th and we are only at 38.

Dutton: So I have the year to date that you gave us, what was that a couple weeks ago, and it says, and this was as of March 14<sup>th</sup> year to date is \$10,916.

Morones: Are you sure you want to cut it, because according to that it is a 40 thousand net this year alone.

Dutton: You are talking fiscal year.

Olmedo: The whole year.

R. Hansen: And if you are heating the pool.

Olmedo: No, no, no this is just for admin.

R. Hansen: Oh, it is just for admin, ok.

Morones: Yeah, but if admin office on that, within the first quarter or third quarter or whatever fiscal year used 10 thousand a quarter, that is 40 thousand a year.

Dutton: Wait, so that is year to date like January to March?

Olmedo: No, this is from July 1<sup>st</sup> to March 31<sup>st</sup>.

Morones: Ok, from July 1<sup>st</sup> to March 31<sup>st</sup>.

Davila: You are really having a problem with this.

Olmedo: Roger, fiscal year is from July 1<sup>st</sup> of that year, not calendar year.

Morones: What I heard previous was, it was the last quarter, that is where I got it from. I didn't know it was fiscal year. I was looking for what our quarterly costs, so I thought that was what that was.

Dutton: So if you are only at \$10,900 right now and we are going into the summer time, are you going to use

Olmedo: We can cut it, you know that is what we are here for.

Dutton: 15 thousand more?

Davila: So I have a question under admin. under contracts, professional fees you have a 20 thousand dollars, for what?

Olmedo: That is in the event that we have to, let's say the DA I was talking about, if I wanted to send forth a contract for them to look at, that is where the costs would come out of.

Davila: Well we definitely high that to take a look at it because if we hire an attorney or anything else then we

Morones: That 20 thousand.

Davila: That 20 dollars can go toward that.

Dutton: That is professional services?

Olmedo: Yes that is professional service.

Dutton: So this says 22 thousand is the budgeted amount, we have already used \$20,223 for professional services.

Davila: On what?

Olmedo: That was due to Lumos

Dutton: That was a big chunk.

Olmedo: Yes, and we should not be anticipating any other costs like that.

Morones: Lumos wasn't part of the contract?

Davila: No.

Morones: It wasn't part of the sewer project to include their costs; it actually came out of professional fees?

Olmedo: Yes, from both the water company and the admin office. So we pretty much, I take it upon myself to ensure those that are truly pertaining to water or the admin side of things. So there are sometimes 50/50 costs when Admin and RMPU such as like the Administrative Supervisors position, her salary is 50/50 with the admin and then RMPU the enterprise fund.

Morones: That is weird.

Davila: Ok, under capital outlay, you have a phone system and you have 4 computers and a Town Hall remodel.

Olmedo: Excuse me what was that?

Davila: Under capital outlay for admin.

Olmedo: Yes, we.

Davila: So we just spent over 8 hundred dollars on a phone system so I don't think we need any more money on a phone system, that we could actually put that money back into budget. I don't think that we are going to be voting on remodeling the Town Hall anytime soon given the financial hurt we are in right now.

Olmedo: We have this in the budget; it doesn't mean that we will spend the funds. The 10 thousand dollars, I would keep it in there, because we have to start thinking about upgrading the recreation offices phone system.

Davila: For what purposes now?

Olmedo: Two weeks ago, their lines actually went down, we could not contact them, it was half the morning.

Morones: Whose line?

Olmedo: Recreation Office.

Morones: Did it go down because of AT&T service or the telco provider, or did it go down because of the phone system? That sounds like Telco.

Olmedo: No, it was the phone system, the phone system they currently have since.

Morones: What part of the phone system, because I know when we.

Olmedo: The equipment needs to be upgraded. The telephones themselves need to be upgraded.

Morones: Ok, because if it was the telco and the telco lines we could AT&T or telco provider comes out and fixes them; it is part of the service.

Davila: So if we are looking at, so you think we would be looking at 10 thousand dollars for phones?

Olmedo: I would hope not, but.

Davila: I was going to say, I personally think if we look at stuff like this we need, that we need to look at these numbers and actually implementing them back into the thing versus taking them out. That is just my, I am looking at that and that's 37 thousand dollars on those three things.

Olmedo: That is 37 thousand dollars in the even some of these equipment, you have to understand that the equipment is outdated, so in the event that a computer crashes, I have got to have the funds in there to replace a computer.

Davila: Yeah I do.

Morones: 12 thousand dollars for and computers, 3 thousand dollars for per PC? Is that right?

Olmedo: Some yes and no.

Morones: Seeing as our engineering spec PCs and I am going off experience, which are probable way more spec than this level costs us 22 hundred per. You are talking; you are talking a pretty high end PC. I would like to see the specs of the PCs at some point.

Olmedo: Yeah, one of our computer systems right now, especially the one with the camera monitoring system has to have a sizable video card on it.

Swigart: So you are talking 10 thousand.

Morones: Sure, but at 3 thousand.

Davila: Yeah that just seems awfully high.

Morones: So just by comparison, our PCs that run, and we are talking about high end video, because they have to be running AutoCAD for drawings, they are not 3 thousand dollars a PC, I would be kind of curious to see, which is what we are averaging and you are saying 1 PC is 3 thousand, I can see that, but.

Olmedo: But we are not going to spend the whole \$3000 dollars.

Morones: No, no, no but I, to Lisa's credit and point, we are trying to get a little more realistic and brass tacks with these. We want to get as close as we can, we are still going to over shoot.

Swigart: Some items.

Morones: Some items, absolutely. But at some point can't just say are not going to say we are not going to us it and carry it over, because in the back of the mind even business sense, well we have the money we should just use it. So I don't know how tight we want to get these to show that we are doing something to decreasing our budget on a yearly basis.

Davila: Having said that I think that we owe the public to show the due diligence that we are trying to save money. Your tax payer's money and that you know, realistically, how many of us would spend 3 thousand dollars on a computer? I think that we need to look at those types of things, of how we can just cut back.

Morones: I don't want to cut it out completely.

Davila: I don't either, no that is not my objective, but it is to say we are not going to spend, well I personally won't vote to spend 12 thousand dollars on 4 computers.

Dutton: Can you tell me what the Town Hall remodel is?

Olmedo: The Town Hall remodel just been carried over since.

Dutton: It says this year, year to date we spent 41 thousand, with only 15 thousand budgeted. So we are over budget 27 thousand.

Olmedo: Town Hall remodel, those are, there might be incorrect ones in that, we have to correct our spread sheets.

Dutton: Ok

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Olmedo: So no, we have not remodeled the Town Hall.

Davila: So Pearl would you agree that that \$15,000 in next fiscal year should be taken out or do you think it should be left in.

Olmedo: It should be left in, we have got some pretty significant cracks in our ceiling. It may not be a full-fledged Town Hall, but we might have to have some roof repair.

Dutton: Can we, how fast do you need to do your numbers in?

Olmedo: I am overdue by a few days.

Morones: Preliminary right?

Olmedo: These are just preliminary numbers, tentative; this is tentative budget not the final.

Morones: If you through in a tentative budget, what does that mean to us, I mean how do they hold it to us? If we throw them a tentative to them what does that do for us?

Olmedo: A Tentative?

Morones: Yes.

Olmedo: Per NRS I have got to submit a tentative budget.

Morones: No, I understand, but what does that serve to us if we cut it dramatically?

Olmedo: It is not going to be questioned at state level.

Morones: Or add to sort of speak dramatically? I guess I don't understand why, here is our tentative, we could put anything in there, and we could inflate our budget by 5 million dollars and say it is only tentative. I just don't understand that process or what that tentative means to us.

Dutton: I would like to get updated, year to date numbers if you can, and put in your tentative numbers and turn in whatever you need to do to be in compliance, but I think that is where we need to start is what we spent this year, where we can take a little bit out, trim the fat and

Olmedo: Which I have started with some of these items. With the administration alone, we have already dropped \$17,000. I am waiting for the figures to be uploaded so I can take a look at them, especially the higher items such as propane.

Dutton: Right

Olmedo: The institutional history of it has always been budget \$30,000. We have never in the time that I have taken over from prior management we haven't even approached that limit.

Davila: But I think part of the difference is Pearl, and this just once again my sentiment on the fact, is we have spent over a million dollars for this town on the sewer project, which cost us way more than what we actually looked at, coupled with the fact that we are now using this Town's money on a swimming pool to better serve the people in this community. Having said that, I think this is going to create a whole different thing than what we have seen historically, it is going to lay a whole different ground work for everybody involved, so I think the more attentive we can be the better off it is going to be for everybody.

Swigart: Do you go over these with each one of your departments, the budget?

Olmedo: Yes.

Swigart: And do they see any way that they can reduce any of these things as a group or an individual, some ideas maybe.

Davila: Mitch, have you had a chance to look at it?

Swigart: Hold on I was talking.

Davila: I am sorry, I thought you were.

Swigart: If we were to reduce the temperature in these 5 buildings over the weekend or maybe that we don't have to have this equipment in here, is there any way that the employees, does Mitch have any say so on the budget on how to reduce some of the costs?

M. Mittelstadt: Upgrade to LED lights, I am looking at a cost for it costs for the high bay lights in the Gym, because when people go in there they have a tendency to turn the high bay lights on just to go walk around in there and that costs a lot of money for the 400 watt HID lights.

Davila: Are those the big round ones Mitch?

M. Mittelstadt: Yep.

Davila: Ok, Mitch can we put a cover over the light switches?

M. Mittelstadt: Well there are people that use it, you don't want to say 'oh well, you can only us it during day light hours', that kind of defeats the purpose.

Olmedo: So they are trying, he is. Yes, so to answer the question, yes he is trying to go more energy efficient items.

Dutton: Even that is going to cost.

Olmedo: Even that is going to cost to help us in the long run.

Dutton: Right, I don't know I have had some LED lights go out lately, they are not forever.

M. Mittelstadt: If we had the old meters, and someone switched on the meter spend. It is kind of hard to see now with the smart meters.

Davila: Pearl I see that you have training.

Olmedo: For which department?

Davila: So far you have training for admin and for buildings and grounds. Is that just to include the outside training that we can't be offered with Pool/Pact or other source?

Olmedo: Yes those are items that we cannot get for free.

Dutton: So what do we need to do right now?

Olmedo: This I not an item that we agree on, it is just a discussion section. So if you go into Buildings and Grounds, you guys need to take a look at it and put you input in, this is good. If you go into Buildings and Grounds, salaries are at \$154,339. Then you go into total employee benefits, that is \$78,045 and that is not including final figures from Nye County, so that could increase or decrease depending on what kind of package they give Nye County.

Morones: So how do they expect you to put in a tentative with numbers that they can't even provide to you? How are we bound to a tentative if they cannot provide the numbers needed to make this work?

Olmedo: You are talking Nye County?

Morones: You have got to submit to the state, right?

Olmedo: Yes, I have to submit to the state.

Morones: How can they expect to submit if County can't even give you the numbers to you need to make this work?

Olmedo: So what happens with this process is, I submit the tentative budget with figures I have currently today.

Morones: So you will just fill in the gaps there?

Olmedo: And then when the final comes, that is when, the first week of May is when we typically get the final figures from Nye County regarding the benefits and then I go back and correct the benefits for all the employees and then input that before it is due to the state by June 30<sup>th</sup>.

Morones: So we couldn't do that for us, just so we know what a closer cost would be?

Olmedo: For us right now, I went off what we currently pay for insurance per employee and then I tack on a 28%.

Morones: Ok, I got it.

Olmedo: That is how we cover ourselves on that portion.

Morones: Thank You.

Olmedo: As you can see Total Service and Supplies for Buildings and Grounds is \$121,600. That is also a decrease from last year's budget \$124,500, and of course waiting for final figures from tonight expenditures that we approved. We have to sit at a round table and discuss where we can trim the fat.

Swigart: What about the Building and Grounds, \$300,000 parking lot asphalt overlay and seal?

Olmedo: You want to elaborate Mr. Mittelstadt?

M. Mittelstadt: It was a tentative figure on the high side, but the last time we had asphalt come out and they did a little strip at our little maintenance drive through there and that was \$23,000. So we are talking a lot of square footage just for the hole areas here, and as you can see that it is needed just by looking at it, but yeah they are not cheap.

Swigart: Is there any way we could take like 30 thousand of that and work on the potholes in town?

Morones: And help out.

Swigart: I know what people are going to say, when they see asphalt here, and the road conditions, they will want to know what we are doing.

Dutton: So there is an account name, it says Roads, Highways and Streets budgeted amount is \$20,000, year to date is \$9,391, so we could us the other 11 thousand, right?

Olmedo: We have been utilizing those for, he utilizes that for, I don't know how to answer it. We have been taking some funds to help the County for those pot holes.

Dutton: Right.

Olmedo: Those funds from my understanding was told to me, what it was explained to me, are to just maintain the equipment and helping the County with street sweep and snow plow.

Dutton: So there is another part that says Parking lot sealing for 30 thousand.

Olmedo: Yes, which?

Dutton: Which has not been touched.

Olmedo: We are trying to get someone out here to do it. I want to say, when was the last time you had a parking lot sealing done, wasn't it in July?

M. Mittelstadt: We did it ourselves on the new asphalt they put down this last July.

Dutton: And that is just sealing the cracks is that right?

M. Mittelstadt: No that is not crack sealing the roads, that is putting it on the asphalt and sealing the asphalt.

Morones: Can that go away if we are actually going to do a whole parking lot asphalt over lay and seal?

Davila: I was going to say, why is there two of them.

M. Mittelstadt: Ok get this. They put the new asphalt down in its raw form.

Morones: And they seal it.

M. Mittelstadt: And you wait awhile and then you have to put sealant on top of that so the moisture doesn't get in there.

Morones: No, no, no I understand that, but my question was the parking lot asphalt and overlay and seal for \$300,000 is an overestimate right, and that includes that, sealing it after they put in the asphalt, correct?

M. Mittelstadt: They do an initial sealing after the do it, and then you have to follow up after they do it.

Morones: So that follow up is not part of that \$300,000 project.

M. Mittelstadt: No.

Morones: Ok, that is whole entire different.

Swigart: And that is something that we will bid out?

Olmedo: Yes we have to because of the dollar amount that we expect it to come in at well over 50 grand. We have to put that out to the public.

Davila: I have another question in regards to the pool paint. Is it the paint for the pool included on everything we are currently doing to the pool?

Olmedo: No, no, no that is just the inside of the pool, this is the walls.

Dutton: Is that a yearly thing?

M. Mittelstadt: No.

Dutton: No.

M. Mittelstadt: If I may speak, ok where the pool is itself, it is not a heated area in there, so over the years, what happens is we have chlorine that escapes the pool and we have a metal skin in there, so over time that chlorine rusts away in the metal there causing a need for new paint.

Dutton: How many years do you think?

M. Mittelstadt: It has been, never done since I have been here, for the 16 years I have almost been here.

Morones: So tell me what is going to be different if we are carrying 60 thousand from last year, didn't use it, I am assuming you carried 60 thousand from the year prior, didn't use it. What is going to be different this year carrying another 60 thousand? Here is my fear, if we don't do these maintenance costs we are going to be right where we are now with having to rebuild the pool. You have got maintenance costs in there to keep it up to snuff, how come we haven't done it? I mean why is it, if it is budgeted for, why is it not done already?

Olmedo: I don't know, in the sixteen years that he is talking about, I cannot speak for anyone, but moving forward now, those things have to get done. I mean we have talked about it, especially with the pool itself getting upgraded. We have got to fix these things that have been on the back burners for years, and years, and years.

Morones: And you understand our concern, I mean, I happen to believe with all the money we had in the pool for these upgrades and repairs and maintenance, that were allocated somewhere else and never used for the pool, killed us in the pool, because now we are going into this place. My concern is having that happen again. How do we know that we are going to us this 60 thousand to paint the pool if it hasn't been done in sixteen years? So we are looking at sixteen years of rust created from chlorine that has never been painted. How is that building still standing? We have got rusted walls, how are we operating under that? So my concern is

Davila: Is it a safety issue is my concern.

Morones: What are we, carry, carry over and just turn a blind eye and say we just never used it? That is just my concern. Now we have \$60 thousand paint. How long has it been 60 thousand that we have been carrying it over?

Olmedo: 2, 3 years. 3 years Mitch?

M. Mittelstadt: We have added to it to make it where it is because the cost of that job is big.

Morones: But again, why if we have never done the job, why have we added to it and never completed it?

Swigart: I might have been because of the pool and the condition of the pool itself, that.

Morones: Unacceptable Jim, we have a budget of 60 thousand dollars held over for two years to paint this pool, in that 2 years, they could not have used that budget to paint it? What excuse would you have, for your employees, why

Swigart: Those monies were moved to repairs of the pool.

Olmedo: I couldn't answer that for you, but with this current staff it is our intention to maintain buildings and grounds, like it always, like it should be.

Morones: I hope so.

Olmedo: It should be because we recognize that things have been put by the wayside and it reflects in this budget.

Swigart: If you lose the engine in your truck you're not going to get it painted, you are going to get the engine replaced first.

Morones: But are you not telling me they did not maintain the engine so that it didn't break. You can't just run it tell it breaks and get a new one.

Swigart: How long has the pool, 20 years?

Morones: Jim you are helping my point. How long has the pool been there and we haven't maintained it. So we are going to throw another \$60 thousand at it and hopefully that will suffice.

Davila: Since we are talking about the pool, under the account name of the pool, you have the sand filter; you have a re-plaster the pool for 124 thousand.

Olmedo: That is for the budgeted amount for 2016-2017. So if you carry over to tentative budget 2017-2018.

Davila: I know what I am looking at, has all this in regards to what we talked, has it all been completed?

Olmedo: Yes and No. Some items have been replaced and some have not been installed yet, but to address these items, it will be finished, so we shouldn't ever see these except maintenance costs.

Dutton: So are we doing the sand filter and the pumping housings? I don't see any costs this year for that.

Olmedo: They haven't submitted the invoices for that yet.

Dutton: Ok.

Olmedo: They only do it by percentage.

Dutton: Ok, there was another thing on, this one was back a bit. This one says under swimming pool, it says pool director and then under recreation it also says recreation director, so are we budgeting for two separate job titles?

Olmedo: They put that in there in the event that there was a need for a pool director, but in all the years in the past, I have been with the town with the Town for 8 years, we really haven't utilized that.

Morones: So we can remove that?

Olmedo: We can remove that, yes if that is what you want to do. So to get back on track so we can, so Buildings and Grounds there is a very high dollar amount for the capital outlay for Buildings and Grounds \$439,500 and that is 60 thousand dollars for the pool paint, as we were discussing, a grand master mower for \$20,000, over seeder for \$4,500, ball fields went from 6 thousand to 10 thousand, parking lot asphalt, overlay and sealer \$300,000, light upgrades for the Town Buildings \$15,000, and Town keys and lock upgrades for all Town Buildings \$30,000.

Davila: We want to just upgrade our key system?

Olmedo: Yes, our key system is completely outdated, we don't even have the equipment to rekey any of our doors, and there has been a couple of keys lost.

Davila: What happened to the equipment to rekey the doors?

M. Mittelstadt: You know over the years as time progressed there hasn't been a secure key check out, so in the past, say past employees or what have you, there is a key that got lost or what have you. In the event that a key gets lost, you are supposed to change the cores out in the Town if it is a master, or grand master to get into all the buildings, right. So over time without sufficient training, nobody knew how to re-core the core locks, and because we are on a 6 pin core lock system instead of a 7, which is the new better lock system. It is just time, it hasn't been re-cored since I started here, I know when they built the Town it was all done at one time, so that is like 20 plus years ago. So I think it is a wise decision to redo all the locks in Town. Just like you would on your home if you had lost your keys or somebody broke in, it is like you aren't going to wait to have it done, you want to say ok let's get it done.

Davila: So having said that, what you said about old employees or somebody walking off with the key. If we are doing this at 30 thousand dollars, has there been something implemented or discussion about something to implemented so that we are not back at looking at 30 thousand dollars because keys have walked off?

Olmedo: Oh yes, we have discussed it.

Davila: Ok.

Swigart: How much is a key card system? Is it just too many to deal with?

Olmedo: Are you talking like the one next door.

Davila: I didn't hear his question.

Olmedo: How much is a key fob system.

Davila: Oh, ok.

M. Mittelstadt: It would drastically increase the price of everything.

Morones: It is huge.

M. Mittelstadt: You are talking computers.

Olmedo: At every location.

Morones: You can network everything and have one central location and have one to manage all the key systems, that is what we do at the mine, but it is a cost, that is huge.

Swigart: Is that a monthly cost?

Morones: Those cards alone are expensive. That is a way more maintenance than you are talking about with the keys I can guarantee that.

Swigart: I was just thinking about main areas.

Morones: I got you.

Olmedo: Ok, so to the Fire Department, It is a total budget cost of \$216,133.

Morones: And that's based off of, that is including his salary, the only salary is the fire chief in the event that we go that route, right?

Olmedo: This is not; this is just an extra position. I could not tell you what the thought process was behind that. I believe that position was inputted in the event that Nye County decided that they were going to wash their hands of EMT, I want to say that that positions was put in there in the event that the Town would have to take over EMT services and that was prior to me.

Morones: Can we get a clarification on that please, on what that is for, because obviously we are going to have to add more, we don't know, we have to account for or at least budget for a stipend or a salary, we cannot leave that blank and wonder were that money is going to come from. So can you clarify what that initial cost is for, I mean, we don't know what it is right.

Olmedo: Yes, it is an unknown position like I said in the event that we lost EMT services out here.

Morones: Ok, I think we need to clarify that one, just to find out what it is for, I don't know what that 49 thousand is right now. I don't mind the position if we have to have it, but I don't know, it doesn't do anything for me.

Olmedo: Yep, it is pretty much, what they did was \$22.26 starting salary for that unknown position. So that is a \$49,160 to yearly salary.

Morones: I don't want to get caught off guard with a salary for the Fire Chief. I mean we are going to wonder were that money is going to come from and the last thing we want to do is start pulling from other things, like the pool.

Olmedo: Total employee benefits for that one position and of course the volunteers, because we do have to pay their workers comp is \$52,772. The reason the Fire Department is drastically more than Admin or Building and Grounds or the Pool is because Fire's retirement is much higher level than any other position in Town.

Morones: And they are looking after our safety.

Olmedo: Operating costs \$114,200 we can trim the fat on that one. I will get with the Fire Chief and see where we can start decreasing some of the costs.

Davila: Pearl I think the incentive plan, you have \$9,600, that is at \$800 a month for 12 months.

Olmedo: Yes, that is at \$800 a month.

Davila: I think we need to look at trimming that too as well, I think that we have left them with a good little account and putting almost 10 thousand dollars back into our budget for the Town is, will be in the best interest of everybody.

Dutton: So, looking at the year to date numbers, that is, I need numbers. This is workers comp for the fire, is \$22,775 for the budgeted amount, is that what you have on yours?

Morones: I am looking at workers comp, for the fire department \$22,765, you are looking at the new one \$22,775 is the first line which is what our budget, what we are budgeted for, currently.

Davila: Let me get my glasses on, it might help.

Dutton: Ok, says we haven't paid anything.

Olmedo: Yes, because there is no one working at the fire.

Dutton: But don't you have to cover the firemen too, with the workers comp?

Olmedo: With the workers comp, we currently have credits, so that is the reason why we don't have any, I don't think they have imputed it yet, but we have been accruing 1 cent credit to that.

Dutton: Ok, but going down the balance of all the monies, for the fire at least that we have budgeted and how much has actually been spent, there is a huge difference. You are talking operating supplies budgeted for \$22,000, we have only spent \$6,200, so we have \$16,000 as a balance. Training \$25,000, nothing has been spent, so we still have 25 thousand. I mean I am sure they are going to use the training and all of that, but it doesn't look like, at least on this sheet, it doesn't look like it is being used at all. The equipment and maintenance \$25,000 budgeted, nothing has been spent. So if they aren't going to spent it.

Olmedo: This is just tentative figures; it doesn't have actual figures on it yet. She has been working on spread sheets for up to date for 2016-2017 and with the fire department, that is going to reflect a zero balance because we don't have don't have a fire chief in there to identify what things need to be upgraded.

Dutton: Well we still have a fire chief now.

Olmedo: We have a volunteer fire chief.

Dutton: But this is year to date March 14.

Olmedo: And a lot of it too, the advantage of having a fire chief, utilizes grant for a lot of thing. Now the norm across the State of Nevada is they are cutting their budgets as well. We are going to see our grants diminish and I project that 2017-2018 we are not going to get much help from outside agencies like we us to.

Dutton: And also we are not going to be getting our tax revenue.

Olmedo: Same thing we are not, so I wouldn't touch fire so much, because safety is a big deal, it's huge.

Dutton: It is but if you are not going to spend it, let's put it somewhere else.

Davila: Where it can be used.

Dutton: Where we can pay for a Fire Chief, you know.

Olmedo: So like I said, I will sit with the Chief and have him take a look at everything and I will bring up the whole thing of the incentive.

Davila: I think it is just kind of easier, I know it is for you, doing your budgets when you are looking at actual figures. So you can see, does this behoove us to cut this or does it not. I think working with actual figures.

Olmedo: And then no capital outlay that has been forwarded to me. It sounds like they have been pretty covered there so far. Highways and Streets \$20,000 for street lights, I would not decrease that, we don't know when we might have a jump in electrical costs.

Dutton: Do we pay for the street lights or does NV Energy?

Olmedo: We pay for it.

Dutton: Even in Hadley?

Olmedo: Yes, we pay for Hadley's.

Dutton: I have always call NV Energy when there is a light out.

R. Hansen: And they usually forward it back to the Town.

Olmedo: Yep, we pay for it.

Dutton: Really.

Olmedo: NV Energy replaces the light and we pay them. Parking lot sealing \$30,000, Water of Round Mountain operating costs at \$10,000, Power at \$7,000, propane at \$8,000, total service and supplies \$25,000. We have actually had to do quite a bit at old Round Mountain and I would leave those figures alone. Trying to keep up with the ageing system has not been not been fun for our Public Utilities folks. Swimming Pool total salaries and wages \$99,031, I heard there was an interest to remove the pool directors spot, so I will take note and ensure that is reflexed in the final budget, and that will take off \$47,421 off the tentative budget figure. Worker comp at \$5529, dental and vision \$10,563 and because we are eliminating we will take that off, so these figures will drop, so pretty much a total employee benefits is \$23,000, and we will show a decrease of that from tentative to final budget, removing the pool director. Operating supplies for the pool \$48,500. We have increased the operating supplies from 6500 last year to 8,000 this year being with the pool closed the last couple years. These things aren't cheap to get back on line. Telephone I decreased from \$600 to \$500, I will take a look at those figures and I am pretty sure, we can also decrease those costs as well. Power \$15,000 I did not change that budget amount from 2016-2017, I pulled over the same amount. We should see a significant increase in power usage once the pool is on line. Water and sewer I increased to \$5,000 because when we start to fill the pool up it is going to show.

Morones: Maybe the Town can give us some of the water back, or the mine can after we helped them watered the grass, Jim, just throwing it out there.

Olmedo: Propane at \$20,000 I left it the same, and there are no capital outlay figures for the swimming pool.

Swigart: How much revenue does the pool generate a year?

Olmedo: I am going to say 1 thousand dollars and that is way too high, when it was operating.

Swigart: If you can teach 1 kid how to swim and it saves his life, it is worth it.

Olmedo: So you have got your Road Maintenance Fund, total services and supplies is \$90,000. You have got your Capital Outlay

Morones: Where are we?

Davila: We were on Parks and Rec.

Olmedo: I missed a page. Parks and Recreation total Salaries and Wages \$70,222, total employee benefits \$45,386, total services and supplies \$108, we actually decreased that from 2016-2017 which was \$124,000. I am pretty sure we can make some changes from the propane line item. It is currently 30 thousand; I bet we could drop that another 10 grand. Total capital outlays \$110,000, it looks like a universal machine for \$10,000, AC for the cardio room and the racket ball court at \$20,000 and gym floor at \$80,000.

Davila: Ok, so they are asking for air conditioning in the work out room?

Olmedo: Work out room and the racket ball room. There is currently no air going into those three rooms.

Dutton: It gets really hot.

Davila: Why was that not looked at while those were being put in.

Olmedo: That is a question that we all ask each other.

Morones: They probably cut it from the budget at the budget work shop.

Davila: Well that is what I am thinking, because I am looking at \$80,000 for a gym floor, how bad do we need that?

Olmedo: How bad is the gym floor Mitch, you want to?

T. Mittelstadt: He wanted to talk on the AC.

Olmedo: Oh, interrupt me Mitch.

M. Mittelstadt: It was a previous Board Member decision to not have AC in there because his theory was, you are in there to work out and sweat.

**Dutton: Really?** 

Davila: I don't remember that.

Dutton: Those big fans help.

Olmedo: But it doesn't cut it.

Davila: I don't remember that, but thank you.

Morones: We're still liable for that? Old Round Mountain is still incorporated within this town, so we have every legal obligation out there?

Olmedo: Old Town is still attached to us. Now back to the Road Maintenance fund.

Davila: Really quick, back to Parks and Recreation under total you have contingency for \$68 thousand, what is that about.

Olmedo: It is taking a percentage from what is in the general fund, that is just funds

Morones: In the event funds. In the event we have to paint, in the event we have to repair.

Olmedo: Are we going to the Road Maintenance Fund?

Morones: I am there.

Olmedo: So total services and supplies, that incorporates the vehicles fuel, the vehicle maintenance, repairs and maintenance a total of \$90,000, capital outlay are gas pump tracking system, did we already do that?

M. Mittelstadt: No, no we decided not to go that route.

Olmedo: So can I cancel that out, ok so it will be \$15,000 dollars less,

Morones: What else can we take out Mitch?

Olmedo: Actually we need to increase this budget line item, street sweeper, sorry Mitch I had to get that in, did you, 100 thousand was it?

Morones: What?

**Dutton: Mitch?** 

Davila: 100 thousand?

Morones: Find places to cut stuff then.

Davila: Yes, we have to cut something if it is 100 thousand.

Morones: What happened there Mitch.

Olmedo: The street sweeper, didn't you have that.

M. Mittelstadt: Oh yes, I don't know if you priced one out lately, but they are probably more this year.

Morones: So we are looking at a new street sweeper?

M. Mittelstadt: Actually it is kind of worthless the way our roads are right now. So I would say we should probably just delete that out of there.

Morones: Should we table that for a year?

Olmedo: Yes

M. Mittelstadt: I would say table it until we get the road fixed.

Olmedo: I agree.

Morones: Get rid of it, just pull it, and when we do look for a new one, we are going to actually go to go physically see it right, we aren't going to go off pictures?

M. Mittelstadt: Yeah, we are not going to go buy used.

Morones: Ok, just checking.

Davila: Thank you Mitch.

Morones: Yes, thank you.

Olmedo: We will make sure to take out those two items. We are to the Public Safety and Sheriff Fund. So when they came before the Board they have in there \$47,064 to spend on those items we approved.

Morones: And that money is set by whom? That is actually county, who sets that?

Olmedo: That is BOCC passed that.

Morones: Right.

Swigart: A certain percentage always goes and it was since 2007 I think.

Morones: If it goes with the sheriffs and it stays here I am good with that.

Olmedo: The public safety tax for the fire fund, I have not received any equipment requests for 2017-2018, but I will shake them down for an answer.

Davila: So we actually have \$41,000?

Olmedo: Yes, I think it would be in our best interest to try to get some equipment if they need it. I know there was a desire to get upgraded paging system.

Morones: Spend it now before the new year.

Olmedo: So if the fire department dispatch is going to do that upgrade, we probably should really consider upgrading our equipment.

Dutton: Is that the one Wes was talking about.

Olmedo: Yes. The Capital Project Fund, I don't have anything in there to spend, that is the fund 2241. Special Capital Project Fund 22402 I don't have anything there to spend. Now to the Water Company.

Morones: Anything we don't spend we are just carrying over is that correct?

Olmedo: Yes, we will just carry it over. So salary for the Water Company \$83,581, mind you this figure also includes half of the Administrative Supervisor's salary. Total employee benefits for the 1.5 employee is \$47,182, and also you see in there the \$260,000 dollars is the revenues we are project to bring in for the 451 customers on the books.

Dutton: Where are we with, this is probably totally off the topic, with the raising up the rates. I know there was a long process involved in that.

Olmedo: That was put on the back burner when we started investigating a lot of things that have come up in Board Meetings, and so it is not forgotten.

Morones: We put the raise rates on back burners?

Olmedo: We did, our office was tasked with extra duties that we didn't anticipate.

Davila: So we have 65 thousand dollars under water, for contract professional fees.

Olmedo: Again that is in the event we need to utilize an outside agency should something go wrong with the sewer plant or any of the water tanks that sit upon the hill, or if we have any issues with the spring up in old Town or the tanks sitting up in old Town.

Dutton: Would a lot of this just go under your contingency or what if part.

Olmedo: No, the water company is a separate book from the general fund.

Dutton: Ok.

Olmedo: So you have to remember that they are separate. General Fund is Recreation, Administration, Building and Grounds, the Water Company is an enterprise fund it is a fund that generates revenue, so they have to be completely separated.

Dutton: Ok.

Davila: So Pearl you are using this \$260,000 out of however many customers, have we actually done a comparison in terms of how much was actually intake for this last fiscal year?

Olmedo: How much money we made?

Davila: Yes, versus this 260 thousand dollar figure.

Olmedo: Yes, we actually had an 8 thousand dollar increase in 2015-2016 fiscal year, and that could be more water usage, late fees and penalties.

Davila: Ok, thank you.

Olmedo: Bad check fees, all those miscellaneous fees. Total service and supplies \$253,850 and the SKADA system is only capital outlay that we have, for the water company.

Davila: And the SKADA system has been on here for how long now?

Olmedo: To my knowledge 3 to 4 years.

Davila: Ok, thank you.

Dutton: What is the SKADA system?

Olmedo: That is to upgrade the antenna on top of the water tank. What it does is it alerts when the water is low, and that radio mechanism inside the tank and on top of the water tank need to be repaired.

Dutton: Ok, so the water company operates at a loss every year?

Olmedo: It does, it operates at a loss.

Dutton: Is it supposed to, just from a business stand point that seems kind of.

Olmedo: Do you operate at a loss?

Dutton: No.

Olmedo: The water company, I just lied to you, I just stated 2015-2016 we had revenue; we were plus 8 thousand dollars.

Dutton: It said minus 46 thousand dollars.

Olmedo: \$8,000 might not seem much to the audience, but I thought that was pretty good considering that we have had prior to budget fiscal year 2015-2016 we have always come in as a negative, so when we came back at a plus at 8,000 I thought yay.

Dutton: So rates should have been increased years ago?

Olmedo: The last time the rates were increased was November 4<sup>th</sup> 2010.

Dutton: I remember 1 time.

Swigart: It is not a popular decision.

Morones: Raising the rates?

Swigart: Yeah.

Olmedo: When we finally get into that, be prepared.

Morones: Let's just wait awhile.

Swigart: Yeah.

Olmedo: It is not going to be a very fun topic with the public.

Morones: It is obvious we have a lot of changes to make between this tentative and the final, there is still a lot of unknown's numbers not knowing where they are going to land yet.

Olmedo: It is usually like that Roger, from the tentative to the fiscal. It is frustrating for our office as well.

Davila: So are you going to be updating the year to date expenditures on every account so that we could look, because that would really help me.

Morones: Please, and to add to Liandra's comment, she is right, if it is tentative and we know that there are changes, we can't hold you up and I don't know what the penalties is or what you have to do to submit a tentative budget the state. What are the repercussions of not meeting a deadline? I don't know what that is.

Olmedo: A violation, not to just me personally, they will hold me accountable but the Town as a whole.

Morones: Is there a monetary value with that.

Olmedo: It could potentially, yes.

Morones: Is it 8 thousand? I wouldn't want a tentative budget to hold us in contempt sort of speak for lack of a better term.

Davila: But I don't want a tentative, and just to make this, my concern is all the evolution that is taking place currently and all the changes that are being done, is there any concern what so ever that if we say yay to a tentative budget, that we are locked into that, that we will come back and somebody will say well we can't do this because Poo/Pact or whatever?

Olmedo: Ok, so the tentative budget does not have to be Board Approved, I have always done it as a courtesy so you guys can see it, and I will continue to do it as a courtesy, just to get it out there. The final budget is what matters, is where you guys, good feedback. You guys need to be more involved, I want to hear what you have to say and the final is a big deal. You guys are all signing your names on it along with me.

Swigart: I have one question or comment. We did two big projects one we put out close to 150 thousand dollars the other and the other one over 120 thousand dollars, those aren't going to be in the budget so those should drop, the number should drop considerably, correct.

Olmedo: Correct, you don't see those in the tentative budget.

Swigart: Do you foresee any other big projects this year that we might be looking at?

Olmedo: SKADA system and the Pool paint.

Dutton: And the roads.

Olmedo: And the roads.

Dutton: I feel like we are playing catch up.

Swigart: But nothing else though.

Olmedo: What was that?

Dutton: I feel like we are playing catch up a lot.

Olmedo: It is, it is a lot of years playing catch up, believe me, it is not fun for us.

Dutton: And I get that.

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Swigart: A lot of these things were put off too.

Dutton: All of this went on years before any of us.

Olmedo: It is.

Morones: I don't want to leave the next Board in this position, budget it and we have it, it needs to be used. Specifically maintenance costs. We can't afford to do this again 5 years down the line, we can't and that is my point.

Swigart: There was a Board in place at the time that didn't want the pool. That it was a waste of money and a waste of time.

Olmedo: They didn't want the pool

Swigart: They didn't want the pool so they didn't invest in it.

Dutton: But they had the pool.

Morones: Look, they might not have wanted it, but they had it and they budgeted for it, now we are paying for it. I don't want to put the next Board, Liandra is going to be on the Board for the next ten years, I don't want her to have to deal with it ten years down the line.

Olmedo: Adding to that, in your management folks too, because you know the spending reflects badly on those of us that are in management positions because we have to play the catch up.

Morones: Well now you do, I don't, that catch up has to stop.

Swigart: Ok, let's continue on, Ok.

Olmedo: No we have one more, Item # 20

## **GENERAL PUBLIC COMMENT (SECOND)**

Sherman Richardson: Yes, I have something to say, but I was going to let her go first.

Morones: Ranay?

S. Richardson: I have a couple of questions. I am Sherman Richardson for the record. One of them is my understanding is that because I don't live in Hadley or Old Round Mountain I have no voice on this Board, right? I mean I can give my opinion, but I have no vote and I can't sit on the Board, is that right?

Morones: You are open for public comment, but that is a really good question. You, this is a public forum, I don't.

S. Richardson: Yeah, I understand that but my understanding is that I cannot, there is now way I can sit on this Board because I don't live in Round Mountain.

Morones: That is correct.

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Olmedo: I think you are correct on that one.

S. Richardson: Ok, so my second question is why and who would I talk to about changing that?

Swigart: I think you'd go to County Commissioners.

S. Richardson: Because a lot of the decisions you make affect me, if the pool isn't open, my grandson isn't swimming, I drive on your roads, I mean a lot the decisions here affect me.

Ranay Guifarro: So it is the same thing as Elko and Spring Creek, if you are going to be on the Town Board in Elko or any of the advisory committees, you have to have an address in Elko, but a lot of people in Spring Creek us those facilities, but if you live in Spring Creek you can't be on Elko County, any of those advisory boards or the Elko Town.

S. Richardson: So how do we change that?

R. Guifarro: You have to be incorporated. You have to incorporate your area into the town before you can be on that board.

Morones: County Commissioner.

R. Guifarro: Because your address has to reside in the Town.

Davila: Sherman, if I were you my first contact would be the Nye County Board of Commissioners, I would contact them, your local Board is.

Dutton: Lorinda Wichman.

S. Richardson: I call her on occasions.

Morones: I would talk to Lorinda Wichman first, the roads keep in mind though, they are not our roads, they are public they are owned by county, so that one we are even trying to fight to get the stupid pot holes fixed in the roads.

S. Richardson: What you guys do, affects me.

Morones: It does, I see that.

Guifarro: And you are allowed to do public comments, but as far as holding a position on the board, you have to have an address within the town that you are representing. That is the incorporation you have to corporate where ever you live into the Town.

S. Richardson: Well we are an unincorporated Town, so.

Guifarro: There are certain boundaries.

Olmedo: What she's saying is there are separate voting districts so Hadley and Old Town are separate voting districts from Carvers area. You guys are the voice under Nye County BOCC.

S. Richardson: Ok I understand.

Olmedo: So I would start there, you know it would be at County level.

S. Richardson: Ok, I understand that. I have a comment and I don't intend to offend anybody, but evidently I understand Roberts Rules of Order much better than any of you do and there is a revised edition since I have been in it, but to ignore the kind of anger that came in here tonight and not back up a couple of minutes and tell Andrew what you had talked about, means someone is going to walk in here with a AK 47, or means someone is going to sue you.

Swigart: Let's hope not

S. Richardson: Or somebody is going to the County Board with a lot of anger.

Morones: I don't know it that was intentional, but I get what you are saying.

S. Richardson: I don't know if it was intentional, but it was a mistake.

Morones: Ok, I understand.

S. Richardson: You understand what I am saying.

Dutton: He also showed up late.

S. Richardson: Well I understand that, but there was a great deal of anger there that needed to be dealt with.

Swigart: Thank you for your comment.

Morones: You know Sherman, just because in my mind, just because it is Carvers, I welcome, what we do certainly does affect you guys coming to Hadley or vice versa.

S. Richardson: Well there are times I go to Tonopah for Board meetings, because they are trying to do crap that I don't like so, you know.

Morones: And I welcome it, I think your concerns are even concerns we in the back of our minds have, or addressing it is was probably a little different, but I think they are valid stuff to hear.

S. Richardson: Yeah, because it does affect us. If the pool is not open, my grandson is not swimming.

Swigart: This is Smoky Valley, Round Mountain and Smoky Valley go hand in hand in my opinion.

Mary Richardson: Are there not grant writers, can we get grants to help with the pool and certain things?

Olmedo: We have tried to obtain grants, yes, but how do I put this delicately, they are just not willing to put out monies right now, I mean we try, we look, we are looking for grants, we are just fortunate that the fire department is able to because the previous fire chief has developed a relationship within Nye County wide, to where he has a hand in obtaining grants for the fire department.

S. Richardson: Grants are a big deal.

Olmedo: Grants are a big deal, for instance we used to obtain quite a bit, a lot of the pool upgrades, the rest room at the swimming pool, was obtained by the Parks and Recreations grant. They were off grant monies, but

they have slashed down so many things within Nye County, along with state level, that you have to be hard pressed for monies to obtain those grants.

S. Richardson: I know there are a lot of things in this Town that have been built by these grants.

Olmedo: Yeah, and like I said, across the nation it is diminishing.

Davila: Pearl, I want to say something, at the last meeting we were asked about whether our Rec Director Pool person is going to do anything different, were we able to address that with our current Rec Director and see if she was able to submit anything in terms of operation and hours, different things like family swim. Did you ask her about that?

Olmedo: Yeah the rec director has looked into that. Right now we do have some programs running, we have the men's league, we've got volleyball going and we have incorporated a women's league of basketball so that is an addition.

Dutton: May I ask how you are advertising for those, because I haven't seen anything.

Olmedo: We talked about the advertising and the Rec Department was supposed to make flyers for next door in the weight room, I don't know if that has been put up on the bulletin board yet.

Davila: Ranay, is that something that the paper, do you know if that is something the paper would include?

Guifarro: Absolutely.

Olmedo: It is in the paper.

Davila: It is in their paper? So more specific to the pool, has she put something together so we are able to spread it to others in the community to say that this is what and it is not just specific to lap time or things.

Olmedo: Yeah, there are some. The Rec Director has some great ideas and they are away at a Risk Management training right now, both of our pool operators. Otherwise she would have been more than happy to come by.

Swigart: Could you put that on the agenda for next meeting to discuss that.

Olmedo: We can actually have her come. She will be here for the next meeting for department update.

## **ADJOURN MEETING**

Dutton moved to adjourn the meeting at approximately 7:34 p.m. Davila seconded the motion; motion passed 4-0.