

**ROUND MOUNTAIN TOWN  
BOARD MEETING  
DONALD L. SIMPSON COMMUNITY CENTER  
650 CIVIC DRIVE, HADLEY SUBDIVISION  
ROUND MOUNTAIN, NEVADA  
TUESDAY, MAY 14, 2019 – 4:30P.M.**

**MINUTES**



Members Present: James Swigart, Chair  
Craig Barber, Vice Chair  
Robert Spivey, Jr., Clerk  
Heather Enzi, Member

Members Absent: Kayla Musselman, Member

Also Present: Pearl Olmedo, Town Manager  
Rebecca Hansen, Administrative Supervisor  
Darrick Brown, Utility Operator

Citizens Present: Michael Hardy, Michael Eisenloffel, Jason Flanagan, Emily Hendrickson

**Call meeting to order/roll call**

James Swigart called the meeting to order at 4:30 p.m. Swigart – Chair, Craig Barber – Vice Chair, Robert Spivey, Jr. – Clerk, Heather Enzi – Member were in attendance.

**Pledge of Allegiance**

The pledge of allegiance was recited.

**General Public Comment (FIRST)**

No comment.

**Approval of the May 14, 2019 agenda**

Pearl Olmedo requested to move up item 7 and item 6 to go after.

Barber motioned to approve the agenda. Spivey seconded the motion; motion passed 4-0. Agenda is approved.

**Approval of April 23, 2019 meeting minutes**

Barber motioned to approve the meeting minutes. Spivey seconded the motion; motion passed 4-0.

**Discussion, deliberation, and possible decision to approve the spending plan of the Public Safety Sales Tax money for Round Mountain Sheriff department as presented by Nye County Sheriff Sharon Wehrly for fiscal year 2019-2020**

Mike Eisenloffel, under Sheriff, reviewed the Round Mountain Budget plan. Currently total -- \$90,623.81 Reoccurring costs for wireless devices (patrol car mobile internet) -- \$990. Reoccurring costs for mobile Spillman (records data system, store & type reports, computerized dispatching) -- \$356.40. Reoccurring costs

for dash/body cameras -- \$1,945.94. Mobile electronic ticket writers/MDT -- \$6,282.81. Color copier/printer/scanner -- \$4,500. Off highway vehicle (the deputies respond to several off-highway incidents and search & rescue operations) -- \$40,000. Asks board to roll over the remaining \$36,458.66 to next year.

Deputy Jason Flanagan stopped in with K-9 Mia to introduce themselves.

Spivey motioned to approve. Enzi seconded the motion; motion passed 4-0. Spending plan for PSST for the Nye County Sheriff's Office in Round Mountain is approved.

### **Lumos & Associates to present information on Nitrate Reduction Plan**

Mike Hardy explains this started back around 2014, when there were a couple different monitoring wells around the pond system that were showing elevated nitrates. We came up with a plan to investigate to see what the issues could be with them. First thing done was a ground water study to get an idea of what type of nitrates they were. If they were affiliated with organics in the pond system, with historical irrigation of alfalfa that was grown back then, or the fertilization of the golf course. We came up with an isotope study of the nitrates and oxygen and it looked like it was coming from organic nitrates which would indicate the ponds were potentially leaking. We did a Preliminary Engineering Report (PER) on the whole system; the collections system, treatment system, and disposal system and came up with some recommendations associated with those. One of the recommendations was to reline the ponds since they were over 25 years old. Back in 2010 the ponds had been cleaned out and patched but they were showing signs of leaking again. The polishing pond only had a clay liner on the bottom. The other ones had synthetic liners. We went ahead and cleaned out the old ponds and relined them. Finished the lining and pond rehabilitation back in 2016 which included aeration at the bottom of the ponds. The other thing that was put in was a flow meter so when you discharge out of the polishing pond to go into the rapid infiltration basins you would know how much is actually being discharged, that way there could be a mass balance taken. All these mechanisms went into place and we also recommended refurbishment of the lift station as it was pretty old and the rails were corroding, and that has been done after the fact. It was also recommended to put in a screen system because the ponds were so prestigious and didn't have any of the inorganics, the things that would plug up the aerators, which were a big problem in the past. Seems things are operating relatively well. When I asked for some information, I found that the monitoring has been very limited to just the information in the DMR's that get sent to NDEP on the affluent and influent to the wells. We also put in three new monitoring wells one upgradient and two downgradient. That's the only data they can find, there is no indication that there has been any monitoring on dissolved oxygen in the treatment ponds, or the PH in the ponds, or the temperatures of the ponds or BOD's transferred from one pond to the next. We believe what is out there now is sufficient. It just hasn't been managed properly or monitored enough. Through management and proper monitoring, we can get this. Think of the ponds as an ecosystem, you have bugs that do different things and help each other out. We don't have a good feel for the balance of the ponds or the ecosystem, right now. By getting more information we can troubleshoot and make these things more efficient so that we're getting the best treatment from our ponds. The ponds are going to act differently in the winter than in the spring or the fall, so the ponds are going to need to be managed differently. We want to figure out what is the best way to manage these ponds. Will recommend to NDEP in the nitrate reduction plan a two-year monitoring system, which is going to involve a little extra sampling and analysis to get an idea on what exactly is going on in these ponds through the seasons. It seems the nitrates aren't that high and seem they are coming down. Would like more monitoring of the discharge. The system is set up to add more Mars aerators, if needed, for more treatment in the ponds. NDEP meeting is set up for the 29<sup>th</sup> of May.

Barber asked how long the process was for NDEP to review the report and get back to him.

Hardy explains that they've had to do this once before and this report is due June 30<sup>th</sup> and we'll come up with a detailed plan off of the report and they will have to poke holes in it. The nitrates that are causing red flags in the monitoring wells look like they are coming down, so there is treatment. The operator from Tonopah took a

bunch of different samples that showed everything was coming down. That was back in February so there was treatment in the winter time. There are some tests that will get done, to find out the oxygen demand is, get the PH numbers from different depths, and get temperatures for a better understanding of what's going on. Explains that they will sample for the different types of BOD's, sample for what's coming in on the effluent in pond 1, pond 2, pond 3, and polishing pond. Also be sampling for the oxygen demand, what is there for dissolved oxygen in each ponds. Aerators are on 24/7 once your oxygen is at a 2.0 you can't go any higher than that

Swigart asks what the frequency of the additional sampling would be, if it's daily or weekly.

Hardy explains that he is not sure, he wants to sit down and take a look at the numbers and see what we're dealing with. Has two years' worth of information that he's still got to diagnose and then we'll put together troubleshooting samples public works has ordered a field meter for getting dissolved oxygen and PH. There's going to be a few different things we will want to look at. The BOD will have to be sent up to Wet Lab. The field meter readings should be able to get done inhouse.

### **Discussion, deliberation, and possible decision to approve Bureau of Land Management Right-of-Way renewal for a water facility**

Olmedo explained this is a housekeeping item we need to take care of so she can sign off on behalf of the town.

Rebecca Hansen explained it is for the water tanks and lines for Hadley.

Barber motioned to approve BLM Right-of-Way renewal. Enzi seconded the motion; motion passed 4-0.

### **Discussion, deliberation, and possible decision to approve, amend and approve draft resolution to return fuel tax monies to Nye County held in Town of Round Mountain's General Fund**

Olmedo explains that she had set up a meeting with Tim Dahl, however they were unable to meet. Wanted some face to face questions. We were on a 20-year plan prior to 2015 and wants to ask as to why the roads of Hadley didn't get fixed within that 20 years that was implemented back in late 90's. Since that didn't happen, will follow up with an email to ask for those items and go ahead and CC Chair & Vice Chair. Also mentioned Gabbs is in the same boat that we are and they have reached out to Nye County as well and they may give up their tax monies as well. Will be reaching out to Gabbs, if they do, on how often they will be getting maintenance because it sounds like they haven't gotten much. Thinking of reaching out to smaller entities and getting together.

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

1. Letter from the Sierra Sweethearts, rcvd 5/09/19

Olmedo reviewed the correspondence and department updates. Thinks the Sierra Sweethearts is a good idea and would like Recreation to reach out and maybe set something up for August. Would also think about reaching out to PTO and other small organizations to set a booth up or something. RMPU - 15 customers have created an online profile, 9 have created payment profiles, 7 have signed up for autopay, and 2 signed up for bill notifications. We have 13 online payments and 3 in office. Sent out notification letters for delinquent accounts that got wrote off and they have been calling in. Rec has basketball on Tuesday at 6pm, volleyball on Monday's at 6pm. Swim team started in March and goes until the end of June; youth summer program and youth volleyball fundamentals; swimming lessons; Easter Egg hunt the Saturday before Easter; 4<sup>th</sup> of July parade; youth soccer starts in the fall flyers always goes out; youth basketball starts after Jr. High volleyball; Halloween Carnival; Turkey Trot; Christmas Parade – we are hoping to get one going this year. Great games are 6/24-6/27.

Teen Center closed for waxing 5/20-5/24. 3 dumpsters out until the end of June will be advertised in the 5/31 issue of the Valley View. Admin and RMPU will be in Carson City 5/29 to meet with NDEP. There will be a tank inspection on 6/5-6/6. Will be spending the water capital outlay funds to install digital flow meters to read flow and amount pumping from the Hadley wells. The next board meeting on 5/28 will also be the Budget Hearing.

Darrick Brown explained that he reached out to Ken Morgan and the amount that he came up with for the flow meters was \$7,730. They will be hooked up to the SCADA system which will give us a reading of the flow rates and give us total, plus it will give us an alarm if something plugs up in the meter or if something happens at the pump house. Also gives information on the strength of the pump. Not sure when the pump was last serviced might be something that we want to look into sometime in the future.

Chief Brown explains that they put in a request for radios, however he did find some radios that were not working. He took the radios to Pahrump to Rodd Fernandez who is going to work them over. He's either going to give a different set of radios or rehab these ones and then reprogram them and get them back to us. Will be up here Thursday to reprogram our truck radios and get the firefighters accountability cards. It's like a badge, if they ever have to go into a fire then they would give that badge to the engineer stating they're going into the fire and recover the badge when they get out. We have received items that the previous chief had ordered and we're putting them on our engines. We got Hurst tools and will put them on the brush truck; we got blocks for stabilization; stocking up engine 4 at the mine, giving them some Hurst tools, some blocks, more hose, and some medic bags. Got a blitz fire that is to go on engine 4. Sergio will have to show the mine rescue team how to use the blitz fire. Working with Tim Gamble on getting that recruitment going on June 8<sup>th</sup>. Haven't sent out any flyers yet.

### **Review and approve invoices for the Town of Round Mountain**

Spivey motioned to approve the invoices. Enzi seconded the motion; motion passed 4-0. Invoices are approved.

### **Budget Workshop for fiscal year 2019 – 2020**

Olmedo reviewed the budget with no changes. Notified the Board they might have to do an augmented budget depending on the nitrate reduction plan.

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

No comment.

### **Adjourn meeting**

Enzi motioned to adjourn the meeting at approximately 5:51 p.m. Spivey seconded the motion; motion passed 4-0.