

**ROUND MOUNTAIN TOWN BOARD MEETING  
DONALD L. SIMPSON COMMUNITY CENTER  
650 CIVIC DRIVE, HADLEY SUBDIVISION  
ROUND MOUNTAIN, NEVADA  
TUESDAY, MAY 25, 2021 – 4:30 P.M.**

**MINUTES**

Members Present: James Swigart, Chair  
Heather Enzi, Vice Chair  
Robert Spivey, Jr., Clerk  
Nicole Silberschlag, Member  
Samantha Faga, Member

Also Present: Pearl Olmedo, Town Manager  
Rebecca Hansen, Administrative Supervisor

Citizens Present: Bruce Jabbour                      Tim Dahl                      Ed Kelly  
   Chase Diller                      Blanca Spivey  
   Jess Rosner



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

James Swigart called the meeting to order at 4:30 p.m. Swigart - Chair, Heather Enzi - Vice Chair, Samantha Faga - Member and Nicole Silberschlag - Member, were in attendance. Robert Spivey, Jr. - Clerk joined the meeting at 4:37 p.m.

**2. Pledge of Allegiance**

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

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

Faga requested staff to look at the grass at the White Park.

**4. Approval of the May 25, 2021 agenda**

Pearl Olmedo requested item 9 be tabled, as the Fire Chief had attended the first meeting of the month.

Silberschlag motioned to approve with changes. Faga seconded; motion passed 4-0. May 25, 2021 agenda approved with changes.

**5. 04:30 PM – Budget Hearing – This public hearing is to present the 2021 – 2022 tentative budget to the public, gather input from all interested persons, and indicate any changes to be made for the final budget**

Olmedo explained to the board that the budget before them reflects the changes from the previous meeting which were to recreation, fire and capital projects funds. Property tax revenue is \$879,690 which remains unchanged from the tentative budget. She stated that the Town has six governmental funds with estimated expenditures at \$3,406,225 and one proprietary fund (public utilities) with estimated expenses of \$593,479. Silberschlag asked when the new fiscal year begins. Olmedo stated July 1, 2021.

Faga motioned to approve. Silberschlag seconded; motion passed 4-0.

**6. Adoption of the 2021-2022 Final Budget.**

Faga motioned to adopt. Silberschlag seconded; motion passed 4-0. Adoption of the 2021-2022 Final Budget approved.

**7. Approval of the April 27, 2021 meeting minutes**

Silberschlag motioned to approve. Faga seconded; motion passed 5-0. April 27, 2021 meeting minutes approved.

**8. Approval of the May 11, 2021 meeting minutes**

Silberschlag motioned to approve. Faga seconded; motion passed 5-0. May 11, 2021 meeting minutes approved.

**9. Round Mountain Volunteer Fire Department Update**

Item tabled.

**10. Rebuild or build new water lines to lot next to Old Round Mountain with a meter. Petitioner: Novalee Medlock**

Rebecca Hansen reminded the board of the email she sent last week regarding updates on ordering materials needed for the project. Once confirmation is received on delivery of materials, scheduling of trenching will be addressed. Silberschlag asked why trenching can't be completed before delivery of materials. Hansen stated once she gets confirmation, she will reach out for assistance in getting the project completed. Faga asked if the town will be reaching out to Round Mountain Gold Corp. (RMGC) for assistance in trenching. Hansen explained that she has been in touch with Novalee Medlock about the project and will reach out to RMGC once she gets a delivery date on materials. Faga suggested reaching out to RMGC so that the planners are aware and can have time to schedule the project. Faga explained that Neil [Jensen] expressed he was in favor of helping out but there needs to be more talks about the subject. Olmedo asked if the call before you dig requests were completed. Hansen replied they had. Faga asked about the costs of the project that Medlock may incur. Hansen said there will be costs associated with getting water to the property per the ordinance. Hansen explained wording of the ordinance to the board. Faga asked about in-kind donations from RMGC's help to off-set the cost of the installation to help Medlock with costs she may accrue. Silberschlag made a statement regarding the line which was feeding Old Round Mountain water tank and Medlock that perhaps the Town didn't do enough and possibly some things fell through the cracks and what was free to the Town and Medlock is no longer free. Olmedo explained that any time a person signs up for new service, there is a connection fee associated. If anyone was to request a new service line, the same steps will be followed. Olmedo explained that if the Board chooses to go against what is written in the ordinance, that it opens up Round Mountain Public Utilities to the possibility that other customers would want their connection fee returned. She stated that this is following what other utility companies across the state do when establishing new service connections. Olmedo thanked RMGC for giving Medlock assistance in mapping, ect. giving Medlock an extreme savings on her end. Silberschlag stated that where her problem lies is that the Town did not do our part for years and now Medlock has suffered for two to three years and now we are going to charge her thousands of dollars for something the town should have taken care of. Olmedo explained that the maintenance of the line has been done and that we are in a drought situation. Silberschlag stated that when Joe Westerlund was in attendance and explained on Josh Christensen's last day that Westerlund did not get the training. Olmedo explained that Westerlund may not have gotten that training but Darrick Brown did. Silberschlag explained that Brown got the same training as Westerlund and she has heartache over charging Medlock thousands and thousands of dollars. Swigart reminded the board that during the April 27, 2021 meeting, Oz Wichman had given a history of the spring. Twenty-five years ago, the spring ran year around and due to climate change, it no longer flows that way. Swigart reminded the board that the cost to Medlock is minimal compared to the cost of the project as a whole. Silberschlag asked exactly what Medlock was paying for and Hansen explained just the

materials. Medlock will not be charged for the cost of labor and equipment. Swigart said the Town can help out also because they will be gaining a customer. Faga asked for a break-down of the costs for the project. Hansen referenced an email which had been previously sent to the Board. Spivey, Jr. asked for a complete list of what the whole project will cost broken down to what Medlock will pay for and volunteer efforts so that the Board can see what Medlock is paying for and why and the offset of volunteer efforts. Enzi explained an email was already sent with a description of how the town is moving forward and with parts needed. She feels that the town needs to get the parts delivered, then move forward with contacting the mine and other parties to get water to Medlock. Olmedo told the board that her office is moving forward with the project per the ordinance and her office is still in contact with Novalee. After the project is completed, she will deliver a synopsis of work. She asked if any of the board members have questions, to reach out to Hansen for updates. Spivey, Jr. explained that he was trying to ask for a synopsis for the completed project, before he was cut off, as he did not have the email in front of him to answer questions. Enzi apologized to Spivey, Jr. for cutting him off, the way the question was directed sounded as if he wanted the information now, which had already been provided to the Board. Spivey, Jr. replied if he was not respected on the Board then he shouldn't be on the Board. He reminded the Board that they answer to the public and that town employees answer to the Board. Was looking for clarification on this matter as he had entered the meeting late. He then asked why people were getting riled up and if they were hiding something. If anyone thinks he is wrong about his opinion, then take measures to remove him from his seat. Faga reminded everyone that they are fighting the same fight and are passionate about this project, and respect all members of the Board. The agenda item will remain a standing item per the Board's request. Swigart reminded those in attendance that this community bands together and gets the job done. Spivey, Jr. stated he had spoke with Medlock about the project and that Medlock thanked the Town staff for all their help.

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

Olmedo reviewed the correspondence:

1. Letter from Department of Taxation, rcvd 5/14/21.
2. Gmail from Arnold Knightly RE: B.1.617.2 variant detected in Clark County, rcvd 5/12/21.
3. Gmail from Arnold Knightly RE: Governor Sisolak to host virtual roundtable on energy in Nevada, rcvd 5/12/21.
4. Gmail from Arnold Knightly RE: Western States Scientific Safety Review Workgroup finds Pfizer-BioNTech Vaccine, rcvd 5/13/21.
5. Letter from Andrew Massey, rcvd 5/20/21.
6. Tonopah Town Board and Tonopah Library District Board of Trustees meeting agendas for 5/26/21.

Silberschlag asked if the fire department had had the chance to review the letter from Massey. Olmedo explained the letter had been forwarded from the Chief. The letter was printed out, framed and is hanging in the fire house. Olmedo explained to the public that the Round Mountain Fire Department received a tremendous kudos from REMSA after a tragic accident happened. REMSA came out to assist and commented on how professional all the EMT's, volunteer firefighters and deputies handled the scene. Monday, June 7, the Town office will be going through the annual POOL/PACT service plan meeting with their HR business plan manager. The wastewater vacuum trailer that was purchased from the Capital Outlay fund will be delivered on May 26. The camera system which was purchased on PSST tax money for the firehouse is near completion. Town Hall remodels are moving forward after being stopped due to COVID-19. Working with Nevada Division of Forestry (NDF) to finish up training room and molding. Once finished, she invited all to stop by and check out the work. NDF will also be doing their yearly clean-up before July 4 of the Hadley Pond and overgrowth of vegetation in the area. They will work with town maintenance staff to complete the project. Staff will remind the public not to be in that area while work is being performed. Enzi asked why NDF did not conduct the clean-up of the pond last year and Olmedo explained that NDF wasn't able to perform the duties due to COVID-19. Some clean-up was done inhouse but NDF gets into the pond, dredges and pulls out debris. Five students are taking the lifeguard course. Olmedo

explained that with only five lifeguards, the pool will operate on limited hours. The lifeguard position will continue to be advertised and a possible course will be taught to future applicants, if needed. The 4<sup>th</sup> of July theme this year is, "Freedom is Gold" submitted by Cathleen Rumker. Nye County Sheriff's Department will be presenting their PSST tax spending next meeting on June 8. Nevada Public Agency Insurance POOL, A&H Insurance will be attending the June 22 meeting to present their renewal proposal for the Town's insurance. The next Board meeting is June 8. The town will be hosting the annual Hadley clean up. The Town has reached out to Desert Disposal to set out containers. Curbside pickup will be listed on the flyer for items that are unable to haul items to the dump. The event will be held prior to July 4. Olmedo advised the Board that the Nye County Assistant County Manager explained that Nye County Public Works is working on a fuel tax agreement. Olmedo reminded the Board that at a prior meeting, they had voted to return fuel tax monies back to Nye County. Tim Dahl explained to the Board that Nye County is preparing a resolution on their level. Currently Nye County is trying to define the boundaries between the two entities. Dahl currently does not have a time line as to when resolution will be presented. Silberschlag asked if this resolution was for the roads in Hadley. Dahl explained it was for the taxing district as a whole, in Round Mountain. Silberschlag asked about raising the cattle guard on Pablo Canyon Road. Dahl will have his personnel look at the cattle guard. Silberschlag asked when someone will be assessing the roads. Dahl gave his views of the process. Dahl also discussed Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) to make sure infrastructure is secure. Dahl and Olmedo will work together on CDBG grants for road repair. Swigart gave the history of the building of Hadley. When Phase 1 and 2 were built, everything was done to specification. When Phase 3 was built, not to specification. Stated Dan Sweeney is the resident historian on Hadley. Olmedo explained that she has a presentation given by Sweeney that she can share with Dahl. Olmedo asked about Nye County Regional Transportation Commission. Dahl pointed out the safe school signs that were installed through the commission. Dahl will continue to press the transportation commission to purchase street lights for communities which are 75 watt, solar powered, LED, 30 feet tall and use no electricity. Olmedo stated the Town could use five now and listed the intersection of Pablo Road and Electrum Drive and four on Smoky Valley Boulevard from Hadley Circle down through the pond section. Dahl will take to the commission. Nye County can come out and fix roads at this moment only in an emergency. Olmedo will send Dahl information on areas that need crosswalks. Swigart asked that either Olmedo or Hansen attend the commissioners meeting regarding the resolution.

#### **12. Review and approve invoices for the Town of Round Mountain for May 25, 2021**

Enzi motioned to approve. Spivey, Jr. seconded; motion passed 5-0. May 25, 2021 invoices approved.

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

Swigart explained he was proud of the fire department and emergency/ambulance services for their efforts on the wreck and asked that it be put into the Valley View. Faga explained that Sergio Olmedo, Fire Chief, had already reached out and the article will be in the next edition.

#### **14. Adjourn meeting**

Silberschlag motioned to adjourn. Faga seconded; motion passed 5-0. Meeting adjourned at 5:47 p.m.