

**RUTH TOWN COUNCIL  
3 MAIN STREET  
RUTH, NEVADA 89319**

Chairwoman Melissa Spear called the meeting of the Ruth Town Council to order on Thursday August 18, 2022 at 5:00 pm.

**COUNCIL MEMBERS**

**PRESENT** \_\_\_\_\_

Chairwoman Melissa Spear  
Vice Chairman Gene Ockert  
Shirley Morey  
Frank Collins

**ABSENT**

Steve Winton

**ALSO IN ATTENDANCE**

Secretary Crystal Waterman  
Robert Morey  
Al Ockert  
William Geltz  
Donna Copani

**I. Pledge of Allegiance**

**II. Public Comments**

- a. Janet VanCamp is running for White Pine County Commissioner; Seat 5 at the November 8<sup>th</sup> election & is concerned over county spending. Attended the town council meeting to hear concerns we might have & would like to hear from outlier towns to stay abreast.

**III. Payment of Bills**

- a. Bath Lumber (last fiscal year) \$558.06
- b. Ely Disposal \$85.88 for pickups around the park  
Gene motioned to pay all bills. Shirley seconded, and approved by all members present.

**IV. Review Monthly Financial Report for this fiscal year (2022-2023)**

- a. The water bill for the park & the garbage bill for the community center were the only monies spent this fiscal year.

**V. Review Correspondence**

- a. No correspondence has come in since the last meeting.

**VI. Community Center Updates**

- a. Community Center hasn't been used since the last meeting.

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- b. Upgrading the windows (panes & screens). Gene will arrange for an estimate from White Pine Glass.
- c. Purchase of chairs for the committee members. After the county treasury dept reviews our financials (expected Monday 8/22), we'll purchase 2 chairs for the community center next week.

**VII. Approval of Minutes**

- a. Approval of last month's minutes. Gene motioned to approve last month's minutes & Shirley seconded, and approved by all members present.

**VIII. Street Lights Condition & Repairs**

- a. Looks like all are still working properly
- b. We haven't received a bill yet from JW Electric regarding street light LED replacements they did in from June. Melissa will try to obtain the bill on Monday 8/22.

**IX. Street Signs & Roads**

- a. A stop sign at 3<sup>rd</sup> and Sunshine is still missing.
- b. A stop sign at 1<sup>st</sup> and Dorchester is still missing.
- c. An additional street sign is missing at Main and County Road 44.
- d. Melissa will call Scott regarding the multitude of missing street signs.

**X. Parks and Maintenance Report**

- a. The broken swings at the park haven't been replaced yet.
- b. The tree at the community center has falling branches.
- c. We have lights for the basketball court in the community center. We will call Gust Electric to put them up.
- d. The Miner's Memorial Park renovation has begun. The fencing has been taken down & will be stored.

**XI. Miscellaneous**

- a. Time Capsule from the grade school in Ruth will be opened at our next town meeting on Thursday September 1<sup>st</sup>. The time capsule was found when the building was torn down, so we don't know what's in it.
- b. Kids Movie Night-The screen has been fixed & ready to be used. Crystal is looking into copyright issues of playing a movie at the community center free of charge for the kids in town. We don't have community funds to pay for licensing for single-showing of movies.
- c. Hazardous Properties that need to be cleaned up.
  - i. Melissa will contact the building inspector in regards to properties on Main Street
  - ii. A few individual properties (Pine St & Juniper) are still being worked on & clutter cleaning has begun. Melissa will follow up with Scott.

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- iii. Nevada Street & the road around the large park need to be cleared for Fire Dept/EMS access. Melissa will email Scott regarding obtaining access in case of emergencies.
- d. We can add a mural to the Old Ruth Club building on Main St facing CR-44 but only after we obtain ownership of the building. As of now, the building still belongs to the county.

**XII. Public Comment**

- a. CR-44 has some trash along the sides of the roads, can people doing community service be asked to pick up trash along the road? Community service members will need to be supervised for these kinds of projects & we would need a volunteer from here in the community to supervise them. Robinson Mine had some people cleaning up the roadside on Sunday 8/14.
- b. Do we have a senior center available? Ely & McGill have senior centers. Ruth has the community center & if seniors want to use and maintain the center for senior activities, they're welcome to.

Vice Chairman Gene Ockert motioned to adjourn the meeting, seconded by Shirley Morey and carried by the members present.