

TOWN OF MCBEE
REGULAR TOWN COUNCIL MEETING
JANUARY 8, 2008
6:00 PM

Present: John Campolong, Town Attorney-Tony Floyd, Shilon Green, Mayor Eddie Kirkley, Dusty Rhoad, & Charlie Sutton

Welcome and call meeting to order: Mayor Kirkley

Motion made by Councilman Green to approve minutes from December 7, 2007; seconded-by Councilman Rhoad. All were in favor.

Election Committee: Councilman Green stated that Linda contacted Mr. Kenny Segars and Mr. Melvin Murphy. Both of them said that their time was up and was not interested in serving on the Election Committee again; however, they will assist if needed. Councilman Green also stated that one more individual was interested; the applicants will be narrowed down and contacted by next month. Then the training process should begin for upcoming election.

Old Medical Building: Councilman Green stated there were a lot of calls but only one bid. He asked Council to revamp the asking price of the old medical building and place it back on the market for bids. This will be discussed at the next meeting.

Motion made by Mayor Kirkley to amend agenda to add Gilbert Horton land issues; seconded by Councilman Rhoad. All were in favor.

Gilbert Horton's Land Exchange: Tony Floyd (Town Attorney) stated that Gilbert Horton worked out an arrangement to switch out land between the Town of McBee, Ann Sowell, Tyson Melton's estate, and Gilbert Horton. He stated that a series of deeds would have to be done. He stated that when everything is done First St will go around Gilbert's shop. He recommended a quick claim deed to be done.

Motion made by Councilman Campolong for the first reading of Ordinance 2008-1 (approving land exchange); seconded by Councilman Sutton. All were in favor.

Motion made by Councilman Campolong to donate \$2000.00 in festival funds to McBee Rescue Squad toward the 45th year anniversary festivities; seconded by Councilman Rhoad. All were in favor.

Councilman Campolong discussed the financials and about money that the town saved on tort liability insurance. He also stated that there would be a Work Session in the "near future."

Ordinance 2007- 2 Annexation of Natasha and Shilon Green's Property: Councilman Green excused himself. Council discussed concerns of annexing the property.

Ordinance 2007-2 Annexation of Natasha and Shilon Green's Property will be tabled until month.

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Motion made by Mayor Kirkley to allow Councilman Rhoad to contact Alligator about water issues concerning the annexation of Natasha and Shilon Green's property; seconded by Councilman Rhoad. Discussion: Councilman Campolong wanted it in writing. Councilman Green abstained from voting and all others were in favor.

Kemp McLeod stated that his, sister, Beth Watford, wanted to donate 11.65 acres of land to the Town of McBee with purpose of establishing a Recreation Department. It is located near McBee Elementary School. He would like for the deed to drawn up by Town Attorney. The deed will have some stipulations that would cause the land to revert back to Beth Watford.

Councilman Rhoad stated that also Alligator wanted to donate land and services to the Recreation Department. He wanted the McLeod family and Alligator to join the Recreation Committee to work out some sort of agreement.

Motion made by Councilman Sutton to accept the land proposal from the McLeod family; seconded by Councilman Green. Councilman Campolong, Councilman Green, and Councilman Sutton were in favor; Mayor Kirkley and Councilman Rhoad were against. Discussion: Mayor Kirkley didn't want to act too hastily.

Rachel Jeffrey showed concern about how close the sewer was to her home. She also spoke on issues and possible effects that the sewer could have on the environment.

John S. McLeod, concerned citizen, also discussed concerns about the sewer.

Discussion: Mayor Kirkley discussed it was beneficial to the town switch CD from the 12-month term(3.63% interest rate) to the 5-month term (5.12% interest rate) at Heritage Bank.

Motion made by Mayor Kirkley to withdraw CD from 12-month term and redeposit money to the CD with 5-month term at Heritage Bank; seconded by Councilman Campolong. All were in favor. Mayor Kirkley and Councilman Rhoad name will still be on CD.

Mayor Kirkley stated that there were two diseased pine trees at cemetery. He will see how much it would cost to cut and grind them down.

Motion made by Councilman Green to adjourn; seconded by Councilman Campolong. All were in favor.

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