

**TOWN OF McBEE**  
**REGULAR TOWN COUNCIL MEETING**  
**APRIL 2, 2019**

**Present:** Mayor John Campolong, Beulah Bolton, A C McLeod, Jr., Charlie Sutton, Martin Driggers - Town Attorney, Terri King - Administrator

**Absent:** Marion Stephens

**Note to Minutes:** Terri King, Administrator, typed minutes.

**Meeting Called to Order:** Mayor John Campolong called meeting to order.

**Invocation:** Beulah Bolton

**Pledge of Allegiance**

**Motion to Approve Minutes:**

**Motion to approve minutes**, as written, from the March 5, 2019 Regular Council Meeting made by Council Person Beulah Bolton, seconded by Mayor John Campolong. All in favor.

Pee Dee Coalition Against Domestic & Sexual Assault Representative Janet Toler presented an update on the work of their organization within the County of Chesterfield and the State of South Carolina.

Mayor Campolong: The Town will continue to support Pee Dee Coalition Against Domestic & Sexual Assault with our annual donation of \$3,000. These funds are given from our Victims Advocate funds; which is now managed by the Chesterfield County Administration.

**Reports from Council**

**Council Person Beulah Bolton**

Three of our entrance signs are being maintained with flowers by Nestle, A O Smith and the Lions Club. Our fourth sign has not been installed and we don't have any volunteers for keeping this sign. We are looking for someone who can install this sign. Would like recommendations.

We still haven't done anything about these dilapidated houses and garbage in the Town, where people aren't keeping up their property. We really need to do something about this before summer. We've been talking about it, but we haven't done anything about it. And don't put it all on me – “okay, Bea you're in charge” – I'm not. We need to have a workshop and I've been asking for this for the last three council meetings. We need to have a workshop where we can get together and decide how we're going to approach this. We approached one woman and she wrote back asking what is this? We don't have any kind of detailed steps that we need to follow. In contacting people about cleaning up their property, we need to work together to come up with something, you can't leave it up to me to do this by myself. We need to have a meeting with the group. This is important to me. Let's get together and decide how we are going to clean up this Town.

I would love to have a workshop date. Look at your calendars and decide now.

Mayor John Campolong:

At the last meeting you were willing to get with Terri to see what the ordinance says and to also select a few places we would start with. I think you mentioned Hwy. No. 1 as being one area that you wanted to start with. Present that list to us and we can take it from there. This would be the first step.

Council Person Beulah Bolton:

No, the first step is for us to get together.

Mayor John Campolong:

I think we first need to see the details of the ordinance and you can do that and be prepared when we meet with you on that. Also, give us some idea of how you want to go about this. Devise a letter that has to be sent.

Council Person Beulah Bolton:

No, we still need a workshop. It doesn't need to be left up to me. Terri can be there and she can bring the information of the ordinance. This is something the entire Council should be together and come up with.

I don't agree that I should be the one to do this. I agree to keep it before you until we decide on something and do something about it. But, I'm not agreeing that me and Terri just sit down and do it. I would like the Council to get together as a Council group, we look at the ordinance and we write out the steps we're going to take all together.

Council Person Charlie Sutton:

Martin, what grounds do we stand on with something like that?

Attorney Martin Driggers:

The ordinance will tell you what you can do, whether it is condemnation or fines, penalties that can be assessed.

Council Person Beulah Bolton:

We can read the ordinance, that's not the problem. What we need to do is to come together in a workshop, as a group, Terri brings the ordinance; we look at what it says and we come up with the steps to take. From that, I don't think we have to identify the properties in order to come up with what we need to do. Another thing we need to discuss is what does the property need to look like in order for us to determine it is not in compliance with the ordinance.

The one lady we contacted wants to come and look at the property we wrote her about. I invited her to come, but she hasn't come. She wants the Codes Inspector to walk the property with her.

Mayor John Campolong:

We can have the ordinance read at the next meeting. Then we can start going to work on it.

Council Person Beulah Bolton:

I have a copy of the ordinance. The ordinance is not the problem, the problem seems to be getting you guys to sit down and attack it. So, what I'm trying to do is to get you guys to commit to hour. We usually meet on Tuesday, we could meet an hour early on one Tuesday and spend some time putting this thing together and make sure we follow through.

Mayor John Campolong:

We will do that at the next meeting, we'll set a date at the next meeting. We have a workshop coming up on April 24<sup>th</sup> for the new budget, so we will need to wait until the next meeting on this.

**Council Person A C McLeod**

Has the town applied for the Electronic Radar Speed Control signs?

Administrator Terri King:

Yes, the application was submitted today. Much thanks to Lance Tulley and Heather Matthews for all of their hard work in pulling the information together for the application.

Council Person A C McLeod

As far as building codes people, we've requested some legal advice. Martin, have you met with the building codes people?

Attorney Martin Driggers:  
I've talked with them on the phone.

Council Person A C McLeod  
They're in agreement with the mobile home ordinance and everything?

Attorney Martin Driggers:  
(couldn't understand what was stated on the recording)

Council Person Beulah Bolton  
Will the building codes people come and look at this property that we sent the letter about?

Attorney Martin Driggers  
No, they are strictly codes enforcement for buildings.

### **Mayor John Campolong**

The Budget Workshop will be on April 24, 2019 at 4:00 p.m.  
We'll do the first reading at the May regular meeting and the Public Hearing and second reading at the June meeting.

We have taken on someone to help Terri while Latondra is out for the next few weeks. We will be closing the office on Fridays for the next few weeks. That seemed to be the day of the least amount of activity.

The Recreation Department is holding a doughnut fund raiser. We appreciate everyone who will buy some doughnuts to help the department raise funds.

**Motion to enter into Executive Session Pursuant to SC Code FOIA 30-4-70(a)(b)(1)(2) to Discuss legal and personnel matters;** made by Mayor John Campolong, second by Council Person Charlie Sutton. All in favor.

**Motion to Verify That Only the Items Stated In The Motion To Enter Executive Session: Legal and Personnel Matters were discussed during the Executive Session** made by Mayor John Campolong, seconded by Council Person Charlie Sutton. All in favor.

**Motion to hire William Boykin for the Maintenance Department** made by Council Person Charlie Sutton, seconded by Council Person A C McLeod. All in favor.

**Motion to adjourn** was made by Mayor John Campolong and seconded by Council Person A C McLeod. All were in favor.