

**TOWN OF McBEE
REGULAR TOWN COUNCIL MEETING
DECEMBER 4, 2018**

Present: Mayor John Campolong, Charlie Sutton, Beulah Bolton, A C McLeod, Jr., Martin Driggers – Rep. for Town Attorney

Absent: Marion Stephens

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

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

Invocation: Martin Driggers

Pledge of Allegiance

Motion to Approve Minutes:

Motion to approve minutes, as written, from the November 6, 2018, Regular Council Meeting made by Mayor John Campolong, seconded by Council Person Charlie Sutton, Jr. All in favor.

Motion to approve minutes, as written, from the November 20, 2018, Special Council Meeting made by Mayor John Campolong, seconded by Council Person Charlie Sutton, Jr. All in favor.

Reports from Council

Council Person Beulah Bolton

The Christmas Parade is schedule for this Saturday, December 8th, and there is suppose to be bad weather. What are we prepared to do if there is bad weather?

Mayor Campolong: At this time we will keep the parade as scheduled, we'll keep an eye on the weather.

The Senior Dinner will be on December 13th. I've been calls from people who had some seniors they were going to take dinners to and also, is this for only the people who go to churches in town?

Council Person Charlie Sutton: It's for the people who buy water from the Town.

Council Person Beulah Bolton

So, that would be people who live in town? Are we doing this by churches or water bills?

Mayor Campolong

It is my understanding that the churches are used like an advertisement for the dinner. To let the people know about the dinner.

Council Person Beulah Bolton

So, are we going to go by the churches or by the citizens who we provide water for?

Mayor Campolong

People are requesting numerous tickets and last year we had close to 100 take-outs and we don't know if all of them were for seniors.

Council Person Beulah Bolton

That's why we need to determine if it's for the churches or for the people on the water system and provide take-outs for the people we supply water for.

Mayor Campolong

Personally, I believe we should have take-outs for the seniors who are unable to get out. The input from the people will tell us who they are. I don't think the churches would have 16 people who are unable to get out.

Council Person Beulah Bolton

I don't think those 16 are from one church.

Clerk Latondra Johnson

There were 16 from one church, which is not in town; and 12 from another church. Another question, what is considered the age of a senior?

Council Person Charlie Sutton

55 and over

Council Person A C McLeod

We're giving the fruit baskets. If there is a Bible study group that wants to attend, then let them attend. But I don't think it is appropriate to give them take-outs. If you have a shut-in, someone who can't get out, then a take-out is appropriate. We're not here for carry-out. We'd love for them to come, if they're 55 and older.

Council Person Beulah Bolton

The signs I have trying to work on, the entrance signs coming into McBee from Bethune, I did get a quote on it for a little over \$900. It is made out of aluminum. I need to know if you want to go with this sign.

Council Person A C McLeod and Mayor Campolong

Let's get some other bids.

Motion to accept second reading of ORDINANCE 2018-3 AMENDMENT TO MOBILE HOME ORDINANCE 5.601 – 5.607 made by Mayor John Campolong

Discussion:

The changes that were recommended in the November 20, 2018 Special Council meeting have been made to this version.

Council Person A C McLeod

I would like the following to be put into this version:

“Absolutely commercial rental of campers is prohibited.”

If you have rental property and it has a meter, then the property owner would be required to meet the stipulations of a mobile home and not a camper.

It should read:

Any types of rental should be a mobile home size and can set up as a commercial rental lot, with its own meter and septic tank.

I would like to amend it to say this.

Mayor John Campolong: Are there any objections to this addition? Are we in favor of the additions that Kemp wants to make to the current ordinance version?

Motion to revise the current version of ORDINANCE 2018-3 AMENDMENT TO MOBILE HOME ORDINANCE 5.601 – 5.607 made by Council Person A C McLeod, seconded by Mayor John Campolong. All in favor.

Attorney Martin Driggers:

The addition will read:

“Commercial rental of campers, recreational vehicles, by property owners is prohibited.”

Motion to accept second reading of ORDINANCE 2018-3 AMENDMENT TO MOBILE HOME ORDINANCE 5.601 – 5.607 made by Mayor John Campolong, seconded by Council Person Charlie Sutton. All in favor.

Reports

Council Person A C McLeod

Tennis Courts Update: We've got the cement down and wanted it to cure out good. The rain has caused delays. The next thing to be done is to get the fence up. Then put lights on three courts. We're going to see if the school will put the surface coating on the cement. We need to open up for the public to donate and we need to put that on the website that we're taking donations for the tennis courts.

I would like to be given a report of any donations received and we need to post that information on our web page.

Our existing fencing will go over 3 courts. If we can get some volunteers to dig up the fencing we have we can get it moved from between \$5 to \$7 linear foot. This would be half the cost of a new fence.

It's going to take approximately \$35,000 to finish the 3 courts and then get the school to surface them.

We should be ready by spring 2019.

Council Person Charlie Sutton

No Report

Mayor John Campolong

Sometime ago I began work on some people's property that wanted to be annexed into the Town of McBee. I'll begin working on this and report back to the Council

The Town Hall will be closed on December 24 – 25, 2018 and January 1, 2019 in observance of Christmas and New Year's Day.

Council Person A C McLeod

Where do we stand with the election? Is it still in court?

They awarded the Town to have a new election, I think the other party has decided they want to challenge it and has asked for a reconsideration. Martin, you report on this.

Attorney Martin Driggers

After the hearing, about 6 or 8 weeks ago, the Judge ruled in favor of the MEC, to have a new election. The challenger has asked the court to reconsider the decision. No decision has been made at this time.

The January Regular Council Meeting will be held on Tuesday, January 8, 2019 at 5:45 p.m.

Motion to adjourn was made by Mayor John Campolong and seconded by Council Person Charlie Sutton. All were in favor.