

**TOWN OF McBEE  
REGULAR TOWN COUNCIL MEETING  
OCTOBER 2, 2018**

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

**Motion to enter into Executive Session Pursuant to SC Code FOIA 30-4-70(a)(b)(1)(2) to Discuss Legal Matters** made by Mayor John Campolong, seconded by Council Person A C McLeod. All in favor.

**Motion to Verify That Only the Items Stated In The Motion To Enter Executive Session: Legal Matters were discussed during the Executive Session** made by Mayor John Campolong, seconded by A C McLeod. All in favor.

**Invocation:** Beulah Bolton

**Pledge of Allegiance**

**Motion to Approve Minutes:**

**Motion to approve minutes**, as written, from the August 7, 2018, Regular Council Meeting made by Mayor John Campolong, seconded by Council Person Charlie Sutton. All in favor.

## Reports:

### Administrator Terri King

In looking at the calendar for the Senior Dinner and the Angel Tree, the Fire Department always has the Saturday in between the two dinners; which requires us to break down the Scout Hut after one dinner and then redecorate after the Fire Department party. Dawn has asked if we could hold the Angel Tree on Tuesday, December 11 and the Senior Dinner on Saturday afternoon, December 15.

Council Person A C McLeod: If the Fire Department has it on the 8<sup>th</sup>, we can have the Senior Dinner on Thursday the 13<sup>th</sup>. I don't think Saturday is a good time. People will have plans with family, especially that close to Christmas.

Mayor Campolong: No, I don't think Saturday would be a good day. Too many will be out of town.

Decision: Senior Dinner will be held on Thursday, December 13, 2018

Heritage Bank has merged with The First Citizens Bank effective December 1, 2018. I want to alert the Council that we will need to order new check stock for all the checking accounts once we get our new account information from the bank.

Mayor Campolong: You may not need to order new checks, normally the banks allow you to use your current checks.

We will wait to see what the information from the bank instructs us to do.

**Motion to observe Halloween Trick or Treat Hours on October 31, 2018 from 6 p.m. until 8 p.m.** made by Council Person A C McLeod, seconded by Council Person Charlie Sutton. All in favor.

**Council Person Beulah Bolton**

At the last meeting I had recommended that we add two additional people to the McBee Election Commission. I'm still waiting for this decision.

I would like to see this commission have 5 people instead of three.

My reason for this is that we currently do not have any minority on our commission. I recommend that we add one and I recommend that we add an additional person. We don't have any diversity.

Mayor Campolong: I'm not sure if there are legal limitations to the commission. The Town has always had three on the commission.

Council Person Beulah Bolton to Attorney Martin Driggers: Is it illegal for the Council to add to the number on the commission?

Attorney Martin Driggers: The membership number is defined by an Ordinance, so you would need to amend the Ordinance.

Mayor Campolong: we wouldn't be able to add to the commission during this current election, but we can look at amending the Ordinance, if you would like to work on that.

Council Person Beulah Bolton: Yes, I will work on it.

I want to also discuss the ordinance we have concerning livestock in the Town. I had inquired about this ordinance some time ago and the Judge decided that the Council would need to look at enforcing the ordinance. Nothing has been done about it. There are horses across from my home and the stench from these horses makes it difficult to walk down the street. I can smell it in my front yard.

What can we do about it?

Council Person A C McLeod: You can put builder's lime in the pasture to block the smell. I'll talk with the individual to see if he will put builder's lime out.

I was not here and I do not know what happened at the election protest hearing. Do we have an update?

Mayor Campolong: I agree that you do need to be updated on this. I will ask Linda if she will bring you up to date on this.

**Motion that the Town Council convenes at 7:30 p.m. per the current ordinance** made by Council Person Beulah Bolton, seconded by Council Person A C McLeod.

Discussion

Mayor Campolong

We moved the meeting to 5:45 in order to hold the Executive Session first and then the Regular meeting and we put a time limit on the Executive Session so that the people wouldn't have to wait so long for the meeting to begin. This has been the case for the past 12 years.

For me personally, 7:30 would be too late due to the meeting not being over until 9 p.m. or so.

Council Person Beulah Bolton: The Ordinance states we are to meet at 7:30 p.m., if we are going to meet at 5:45 p.m., then we need to change the Ordinance.

Council Person A C McLeod: I think we could delay it one hour to 6:45 p.m.

**Motion to amend the Motion that the Town Council convenes at 6:45 p.m.** made by Council Person A C McLeod, seconded by Council Person Beulah Bolton. Two Opposes.

**Motion that the Town Council meet at 6:30 p.m.** made by Council Person A C McLeod, second by Council Person Charlie Sutton. Two oppose.

Motion to amend the Town Council meeting time killed.

Council Person Beulah Bolton, we need to have workshops to get these ordinances changed.

Council Person A C McLeod: We did have a workshop on the mobile home ordinance, but now we will need to have a comprehensive study done on the town before we can change the mobile home ordinance. Before we can have any zoning ordinances, we must have a comprehensive study done.

### **Council Person A C McLeod**

Good news, we've got some work done on the tennis courts. They have been poured and now we will get them resurfaced.

What we've come up with is that we do away with the other two existing courts. They are not in good shape and the fence for them is under the power line. We could remove these two courts and add a third court that will be in line with the two courts we have just poured.

We'll need some help from the Town to build the third court. We can use the fence that is around the two courts we want to remove and we'll need to buy some fencing to go around the third court.

The lights can we're looking at can light three courts. I've been working with Phil Gardner and he is getting quotes on some used lights that we could buy. These would be LED lights, which will use less power.

I would like a vote of confidence from the Council to go ahead with this project.

At the last meeting we made a motion to not accept applications for any mobile home moving permits. This means that nobody can move any mobile homes in since the meeting of August 7, 2018.

I don't know if anything has been moved on any properties or not, but it seems that there has been and they didn't get a permit and has not asked for a permit. I want to make sure that everyone knows that you have to have a permit to move anything into town. And, as far as a mobile home goes, that includes campers and RV's.

**Motion to research on Google Earth to determine if any mobile homes have been moved into the Town without permits and that our Legal Team to pursue any injunctions necessary against those who are trying to move mobile homes into the Town without a permit and to impose whatever fines necessary against what has been done made by Council Person A C McLeod, seconded by Mayor John Campolong. All in favor.**

No Discussion

### **Recreation Director Shilon Green**

Football started last night and McBee won. There is also a game tonight.

**Council Person Charlie Sutton**

No Report

**Mayor John Campolong**

We need to follow the state regulations in updating our mobile home ordinance. This will require the Town to have a Comprehensive Plan, which we will immediately start to work on. From there we will go to zoning and then to the mobile home ordinance.

**Motion to begin the Development of the Comprehensive Plan for the Town of McBee** made by Mayor John Campolong, seconded by Council Person A C McLeod. All in favor.

Council Person A C McLeod: Five or more mobile homes located in one area by one individual is considered a mobile home park. It seems we have some properties that seem to have more than 5 mobile homes. We're probably going to ask the state to come in to verify if these are legal. I'm asking our legal team to notify the proper authorities that we have owners with 5 or more mobile homes that need to be checked on.

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