

AGENDA MINUTES

McIntosh Town Council Special Meeting, Community Center 5835 Avenue F September 13, 2022 at 6:15pm

Notice to Meeting Attendee
As a courtesy to others, please ensure cell phones are turned off during meeting
Welcome to the Town of McIntosh Town Council meeting.

CALL TO ORDER

President Callahan called the meeting to order at 6:15 p.m.

ROLL CALL (P = Present; A=Absent)

President Callahan	P
Vice President Ciotti	P
Councilor Jones	P
Councilor Naworensky	P
Councilor Sindledecker	P
Mayor Roddy	P

I. <u>ITEMS FOR CONSIDERATION – TOWN ATTORNEY</u>

1. Interview new town Attorney

VP Ciotti- Introduced Stacie Corbett & Marty Smith. Recommendation for this firm was made by Jessi, Marty's wife is a professor at the college. Through that connection, VP Ciotti asked the community about them and then reached out to Marty Smith and asked for them to come to the town to talk about their qualifications.

Stacie Corbett & Marty Smith

Stacie Corbett- From Shiloh, near Flemington, attended UF for an undergraduate degree, taught school for 10 years in Alachua County as well as other counties. Obtained her master's and a law degree from Mercer University in Georgia and joined Marty Smith in 2019. Her practice area is litigation and estate planning and family law.

President Callahan- Asked if she had a background with the Municipalities

Corbett- Has worked with County Commission but not directly represented a town or city **VP Ciotti**- Discusses the district changes in Alachua and asks how they can protect the town's zoning with changes that are anticipated.

Corbett- Referred to Marty as a specialty in this department. They would protect those concerns to the best of their ability while being inclusive.

VP Ciotti- Thoughts on Code enforcement and leans and how that would be handled.

Corbett- All correct procedures will be followed to ensure the code is being upheld while still protecting the property owners' rights and giving due process to avoid potential litigation.

VP Ciotti- Discussed the compensation

Corbett- Passed out rate information

Council read the notice

Corbett- Express she would likely be the representative for the firm

Smith- In the event that they are both needed, the rate remains singular

VP Ciotti- Discussed the rate breakdown previously discussed with Smith 3 hours for meeting and 2 hours for consulting with the Town Manager.

Cllr Naworensky- Imperative to become well versed in our codes

Corbett- Agreed

Cllr Sindledecker- Complimented the new procedures Jeannie implemented

Corbett- Laptop will be brought in case something unexpected comes up

Cllr Sindledecker- Thanked Ciotti for finding a firm that is close

Smith- Gave background information on himself and his connection with the town. Expressed that he feels McIntosh is an important part of Marion County. Undergraduate at the University of Georgia, Obtained Masters Degree at UF, was accepted into Law school and never finished his Master's, he has been in private practice since 1984. The practice has been primarily business, corporate, and land use. Has not worked as a city or county Attorney, however, has represented governmental groups such as code enforcement. Experience with interlocal agreements and has been involved in ligation for the City of Ocala, Marion, and other counties.

VP Ciotti- Asked about financial advising

Smith- Wills, estates, and long-term planning, but not financial advising

Cllr Sindledecker- Expressed concerns about the farmland preservation changes and wants to be proactive in protecting the town while allowing growth. Micanopy successfully but not easily protected the scenic roads. Help with vision planning and codes is something we may lean on our attorneys for.

Corbett- Lives in the preservation area and relates personally to preservation.

Smith and Corbett exit

VP Ciotti- Motions to hire Smith & Corbett for new attorneys, **Cllr Sindledecker** 2nd

Discussion on concerns and areas of strengths

Motion carries unanimously

II. COUNCIL COMMENTS

III. CITIZEN COMMENT -

Harms- Liked the balance between the attorney's personalities and characters

Wallace- Both seem to have different skill sets that will help bring everything together

President Callahan adjourned the meeting at 6:41 p.m.