

# **AGENDA MINUTES**

McIntosh Town Council Workshop Town Hall 5965 Avenue F December 6, 2022, at 6:00 p.m.

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

# CALL TO ORDER

## **ROLL CALL**

President Ciotti	Р
Vice President Mullikin	Р
Councilor Jones	Р
Councilor Naworensky	Р
Councilor Sindledecker	Р
Mayor Roddy	Р

#### I. Items for Discussion

#### 1. <u>Financials</u> President Ciotti

Discussed TOM Resolution 2008-05 and the FL Statutes on Local Government Investments.

Presented the Towns current investment accounts, and their return rates

Provided information on the FL Class option for potential investment opportunities. FL Class are stocks that are paying 3.7% and project 4%. Fl Class suggested we could put the American Rescue Plan money can be put into a CD.

Cllr Jones & Sindledecker asked about the money being inaccessible.

**President Ciotti-** Provided details of the penalties if the money was taken out of the CD early.

Discussion on the rules for ARPA, whether it can be invested, and the pros and cons.

**President Ciotti-** Suggested Truist Checking remains as is, Community Bank remains as is, and FL FIT needs to be evaluated. Suggested moving 200K from the Money Market to FL Prime. 37% of the money will be in cash & CDs, and 63% will be in local government surplus funds.

TM Gonzalez gave a review of the fees accumulating with Truist Bank

Discussion/clarification of corrections on the financial worksheet

Cllr Jones- Asked which account the sale of the grocery store went into

President Ciotti- It went into the Money Market

Cllr Sindledecker- FL Fit needs to be addressed, the other options are higher rates.

Cllr Jones- When we first opened FL Fit what did we open with?

**President Ciotti-400K** 

Cllr Jones- Starting at 400K means we are down 13k in 3 years.

Further discussion on the history of the investment firms and their risks & benefits

**Citizen Don Medeiros-** Can you provide a presentation when this is presented to the audience, so it is easier to follow?

**Citizen Rick Talbert-** If it is side-by-side with a return investment shown, it will be better for the audience. Are specific funds designated?

Cllr Sindledecker- We have ARPA and 250K for the Town Hall that is designated.

Discussion on restricted/designated funds

**Citizen Rick Talbert-** There is no goal standard that says the Town has to have a certain amount of money, and there is no state requirement. Most local governments impose that on themselves. It is advantageous to designate some of the funds, to allow the people to know what the funds are being used for.



**Cllr Jones-** Every year in the budget we have a 50k reserve. To help answer the question, the vision plan is to help make plans and attach money to the projects.

**Cllr Sindledecker-** What is the goal for reserves? For the Garden Club, the job is not to accumulate money, but to spend it on what meets the mission. We determined that we should have 1 year of expenses, and then we look at special projects. We should think about what it takes to consider catastrophic situations and think about what we need to do with the rest of the money for the town.

Citizen Rick Talbert- It sounds like you are working on a strategy.

President Ciotti- Traditionally we have kept between 200K-250K in operating funds.

# 2. <u>Delegation Letter</u>

Discussion on the letter to be presented and the delegation meeting in January. The date has not been set yet for the festival, that line should be re-worded to "the fall".

## 3. <u>School Contract</u>

Discussion on the 5<sup>th</sup> addendum to the lease and the preference to combine all contracts into one. Request to put the modification of the school contract on the agenda.

## 4. Moving the Town Office to the Clinic Temporarily

**President Ciotti-** We need to decide where the Town Hall will be while we are building, and the office will be available.

Cllr Jones- Requested we have the time to be able to see the building before we vote.

Discussion on other options that have been explored and the cost/ and or conflict it entailed. Discussion on the possible conflicts with the clinic building. Discussion on the issues with the current town hall, leaks, mold, electricity, and airflow.

**Cllr Jones-** Barney is considering selling the Icehouse. It could be suitable if it could be renovated to be what we need.

**Cllr Sindledecker-** Are there restrictions on who would be allowed to go to the town hall if the temporary office were to be at the clinic?

**TM Gonzalez**- Presented the interlocal agreement with the county for schools discussing encouragement of co-locating/shared locations with local government facilities and schools.

**Cllr Sindledecker-** This may be more intended for things such as playgrounds and museums. I am worried about the possible restrictions that may say we cannot have our office next to a school.

**Cllr Naworensky-** If there is someone that could not be near a school- Would they be able to walk up and pay their water bill?

**VP Mullikin-** Asked about the possibility of the grocery store as a temporary option.

Cllr Sindledecker- Asked about the school wanting to open the pre-school.

Further discussion on the Town Hall, permanent and temporary options.

# 5. Hometown Grant

**TM Gonzalez** presented options for the grant opportunity and suggested waiting to apply next quarter to better provide details in the application.

# 6. Survey for Vision

**Cllr Sindledecker**- Discussed wanting to re-visit sending out a survey to the residents about the vision plans.

**Citizen Rick Talbert-** Suggested a questionnaire to allow residents to be able to respond remotely and autonomously.

Discussion on survey options- Discussion on Movie night & dogs in the park

## II. Citizen Comments

**Citizen Rick Talbert-** Why can't the town have its own official social media page? Most other towns have a social media platform where their attorney helps with the language. Could the council please look into it? It would be another way to get information out to the people.

## III. Council Comments

**Cllr Naworensky**- The times of the meetings have become confusing. Council meetings start at 7, this meeting started at 6, and parks & rec is at 6:30. In the past 7 pm was the consistent time.

Cllr Sindledecker- If we start at 7 p.m., Jessi is here waiting

**President Ciotti-** We try to time the workshops and special meetings at 6:00 p.m. so we aren't missing another dinner with family.



# IV. Mayor Comments

# V. Town Manager Comments

The broadband support letter was presented and an explanation as to its purpose.

Discussion on how broadband would benefit our town.

# VI. CLOSING COMMENTS

Meeting adjourned 7: 36 p.m.