



Agenda Minutes
(non-legislative meeting)
McIntosh Town Council Meeting,
Community Center 5835 Avenue G
January 16, 2024, at 7:00 pm

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

INVOCATION AND PLEDGE

ROLL CALL

President/Mayor Roddy **P**
Vice President Ciotti **P**

I. PRESENTATIONS

Lieutenant Keith McQuaig-P

Since last month there have been fifty-eight calls for service. No suspicious calls, and there were fourteen citations and fifteen 911 hang-ups. He introduced the Deputy who was in the traffic detail, Deputy Lenelle.

Melinda Jones- Rock the Country concert is coming up. What is expected for traffic near McIntosh?

Lt McQuaig- Will be able to provide more details closer to the date in June. There will be MCSO detail and directing traffic. Attendance is expected to be approx. 30k.

II. MINUTES

December 7th, 2023 (review only)
December 28th, 2023 (review only)

VP Ciotti Found no problems, we will put the draft minutes on the website as a draft.
Attn. Smith agreed to post them as a draft. Once there is a quorum, approving and amending them can be done.

III. FINANCIALS

December 2023 (review only)

Mayor Roddy- We had a good month, everything looks good.

VP Ciotti- The month looked good. The property taxes paid increased the revenue. Expenses were low. The interest accounts are provided well. Asked TM Gonzalez about the remaining money in the Truist operation account.

TM Gonzalez- That money will remain until after the audit for outstanding checks, and we get a quorum so we can have a vote to move the remaining amount.

IV. CITIZEN COMMENT

All persons wishing to address the Town Council will be asked to limit their comments to the specific subject being addressed. Individuals may sign up in advance by calling the Town Office prior to the meeting and will be allowed 5 minutes to speak. Anyone who attends the meeting and did not sign up in advance will be allowed 2 minutes to speak. In order to foster mutual respect between the Town Council and the public, it is requested that comments are directed at specific issues rather than personal comments directed toward Board members or staff. Please note that if a person desires to appeal any decision made to any matter considered at the above meeting, that person may need to ensure that a verbatim record of the proceeding is made, which record includes the testimony and evidence on which the appeal is to be based.

V. COMMITTEE UPDATES

1. Code Enforcement- George Crawford- No New Business

2. Historic Preservation Board- Alison Scott- Jessica Gonzalez provided the updates.

Alison was unable to attend- A meeting was held, and there was a proactive conversation with Ken Horkavey and Alison, new owners on Ave F. A six-month extension was approved for Marshall Roddy's COA. If another extension is necessary, the board is asking for another application to be filled out with details on what work is remaining. New officers were voted in. Alison Scott will remain as the chair, Adam Nunez will serve as the Vice Chair, and Eric Childs will be the Secretary.

3. Tree Committee- Dennis Devore- Absent

There was an application re-heard for a resident who wanted to remove a protected tree due to roots going into the septic/drain field. It was approved, but they requested she plant a new tree.

4. Land Planning Agency- George Crawford- No new business.

5. Parks & Recreation- No Meetings

VI. CONSENT ITEMS

All matters listed within the Consent Agenda have been distributed to each member of the McIntosh Town Council for reading and study, are considered to be routine, and will be enacted by one motion of the Council with no separate discussion. If separate discussion is desired, that item may be pulled for discussion and consideration. Please call 591-1047 for questions on Consent Agenda items prior to the Council meeting.

VII. ITEMS FOR DISCUSSION

1. Appointments

TM Gonzalez provided an update and where to apply.

Melinda Jones- Asked if there is a time frame for when the applicants will be decided on.

TM Gonzalez- It was requested, but no time was provided.

Joyce Terry- Though they are appointed, they still have to be a resident, correct?

TM Gonzalez- Yes, the Appointees must be a 2-year resident. Originally, we were told they would appoint individuals from the Capitol. But once our charter was reviewed, they do in fact need to be a 2-year McIntosh Resident and they must fill out form 6.

Mayor/President Roddy- Asked Attn Smith if a renter is a resident.

Attn Smith- Residency is often debated. Resident is a state of mind, but it is where your license says you live, where you get your mail, and where you are registered to vote. This is a regular issue and many factors determine residency.

VP Ciotti- The Governor is getting a lot of pushback about form 6. We have four previous commissioners who would love to be back in their seats. What if the law changes and they want their seats back?

Attn Smith- A conference call was held with the attorney in the governor's office. McIntosh was prepared with what happens in extreme cases like this and they were pleased to see that. The application process that is recommended is to get the applications in, and they will try to get the Governor to act on those applicants to move forward. The Governor can be selective and not choose applicants. Applicants will have to fill out Form 6. Attn Smith stated he is going to Tallahassee next week and will have more information. He has heard that the person who sponsored the bill is adamant that this is how it needs to be and is in regular communication with those in Tallahassee.

Patty Dodd- Our Governor is running for President, so is the Governor involved or is it people in his office?

Attn Smith- The Government must be the one to appoint. He has a council to help, he can sign it electronically, but it is a matter of importance, and he will have to sign it.

VP Ciotti- How is the Governor allowed to be gone, doesn't he have a work schedule?

Attn Corbett- There is no requirement for any elected official for office hours.

2. Special Election

TM Gonzalez- The special election will not be called until appointments are made, after review of our charter it cannot be called without the appointees. We are a bit corned in right now because our charter also says the special election is to be within 4 months.

Patty Dodd- Asked why we would have a special election if the names will not be on a ballot.

TM Gonzalez- If there are more than 4 that run, there will be a special election. If there are only 4, there is an empty ballot.

3. Committee Vacancies-

TM Gonzalez- Provided an update on open seats and the possibility of having a community engagement day in the park to provide information for the residents. The application will be pending until we have a quorum in the council.

Mayor/President Roddy- Formally asked George Crawford if the Lions would like to participate in the community engagement day in the park.

George Crawford- He will present it to the Lions.

Beverly Dodder- She will ask the friends if they would like to participate in some way.

VIII.

MANAGER COMMENTS

TM Gonzalez-Sunday is Karins Harms memorials. 1 p.m. will be the graveside ceremony and a service at the community center following. The town was offered some of her drawings for the museum by her friends Robyn and Laura Talbert.

Provided information on a lawsuit that has been circulating regarding form 6.

Marion County Day at the Capitol is next week, and our office and council will be attending. We will have a booth this year, and it is open to the public. The office will close on February 7th at noon and will be closed all day on February 8th. We will also be attending Marion County Day in Ocala on March 23rd.

Attn Smith- Expressed support of the trip with “If you are not at the table you are on the menu.”

IX. **MAYOR COMMENTS**

Encouraged everyone to contact their legislators.

X. **ATTORNEY COMMENTS**

XI. **COUNCIL COMMENTS**

Cllr Ciotti- Asked about the White refrigerator that broke.

TM Gonzalez- We should look into a commercial refrigerator.

Patty Dodd- Doesn't the TM have the authority for that purchase?

TM Gonzalez- It was tabled in a previous meeting, but we can revisit it, it was before the refrigerator broke.

VP Ciotti- The new Baptist Church pastor is being installed on the 21st at 4 p.m. at the Zion Baptist Church.

XII. **CITIZEN COMMENT**

Meeting adjourned at 7:51 p.m.