



Agenda Minutes
McIntosh Town Council Meeting,
Community Center 5822 Ave F
August 22, 2024
7:00 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

INVOCATION AND PLEDGE

CIVILITY PLEDGE READ BY MAYOR/PRESIDENT

“The public officials of the Town of McIntosh pledge to conduct all public discourse in a civil manner. All public officials will treat one another and its citizens, and residents with courtesy and respect and ask the public to do the same toward the public officials, and each other. We will be respectful of one another even when we disagree. We will direct all comments toward the issues. We will avoid personal attacks.”

ROLL CALL

President/Mayor Roddy	P
Vice President Ciotti	P
Cllr Deaderick	P
Cllr Medeiros	P
Cllr Talbert	A

I. **OATH OF OFFICE**

Mayor Roddy administered the oath to:

Lee Deaderick
Melinda Jones
Donald Medeiros
Scott Mullikin

II. **DRAW LOTS**

The name drawn shall serve until 2026 and will withdraw from the November Election.

Mayor Roddy drew the name of Melinda Jones.

Mayor Roddy announced he would like to step down as the President and asked for nominations for the seat of President of the McIntosh Town Council.

Cllr Mullikin nominated VP Ciotti, if willing to step down as Vice President **2nd Cllr Medeiros**
Nomination passed unanimously

Cllr Jones nominated Scott Mullikin for Vice President **Cllr Medeiros 2nd**
Nomination passed unanimously

III. **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 a 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.

1. **MINUTES**
2. **FINANCIALS**

Cllr Deaderick motioned to approve the consent agenda **Cllr Medeiros 2nd**
Motion passed unanimously

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.

Dennis Devore- School Lease

Addressed the school lease and provided the history of the lease negotiations since August of 2023, the school grade, and where the school gets its funding. The school should have to sign the lease, or they have to leave in a year.

Mary Ann Kelly- Town Finances

Appreciates the carefulness of the town council with the finances, but we need to spend money that needs to be spent. It would be nice if there was formal training for all elected, hired, and appointed individuals of the town.

Holger Giese- In response to Mr. Devore, the school grade went down from last year. The school has been paying the town's electric bill.

V. **COMMITTEE UPDATES**

1. Code Enforcement- **George Crawford**
No new Business
2. Historic Preservation Board- **Alison Scott**
No new business
3. Tree Committee- **Cheryl Wallace**
No new Business
4. Land Planning Agency- **George Crawford**
5. **No new business**

6. Parks & Recreation- Cheryl Wallace
No new business

VI. **ITEMS FOR DISCUSSION/CONSIDERATION**

1. Non-exclusive areas of use for the school
2. School Lease

The school lease was moved up to discuss exclusive areas of use.

Attn. Smith- Provided the timeline of lease negotiations to clear any confusion. Read details of the lease including exclusive use areas. There has been no subtenant, legal, or structural changes from the town side dating back to August of 2023 aside from increasing the rent.

Cllr Medeiros- The school board president called him recently. They discussed the additional field not included in the lease and the form that would need to be filled out to have access to it for events. She was comfortable with filling it out.

Cllr Deaderick- Was on the founding board of directors when the school started. There has been a lot of water under the bridge since then. After researching it all comes down to the school needing the \$8,000 from the parking for the festival.

VP Mullikin- Provided the grade for McIntosh Area School since 2016. If we have a school that doesn't have good ratings, it reflects on the town. These lease negotiations have been going on for over a year.

VP Mullikin motioned to have the lease as it is signed by August 30th by 11 a.m. or the town proceed with a 1-year notice to vacate **2nd Cllr Jones**

Further discussion on the troubles of the school, the property they own, and what is best for the kids.

VP Mullikin amended his motion to have the lease as it is signed by September 17, 2024, at 5 p.m. or the town proceed with a 1-year notice to vacate **2nd Cllr Jones**

Motion passed unanimously

3. Water Infrastructure

Attn Smith provided information on the survey that was completed for the town several years ago by Kenly Horn.

Cllr Jones- Spoke with TM Gonzalez who provided information about the ARPA obligations and new information will be on the September agenda after speaking with the engineers.

Cllr Deaderick on the proposed budget "Water Department Expense" is listed as \$34,000. The most important issue in McIntosh is our water plan and the town will need to put a good chunk of its money into the water system.

Cllr Medeiros suggested asking Tallahassee for funding for the water system instead of the new town hall.

4. North Marion County Transport Discussion

President Ciotti provided information for the Ocala/Marion County Traffic Commission. They are looking for information about things that citizens would like to see from them.

VII. **MANAGER COMMENTS**

Mayor Roddy read the messages from the town manager providing an update on the Town Logo on the water tower and thanking the residents for their support during this hard time.

VIII. **MAYOR COMMENTS**

There was a boil water notice recently. Some residents stated that they did not receive the alert. If you do not have your phone number on file with the town hall, please update your information.

The community center will be closed for painting over the next couple of weeks.

Lt McQuaig was also unable to attend the meeting but provided the stats for last month's activity in McIntosh (read by Mayor Roddy).

There will be a comprehensive emergency management plan sent out that they want the town to approve.

Budget meeting is on September 17th at 6:30 p.m. before the regular council meeting.

IX. **ATTORNEY COMMENTS**

The settlement was accepted by the courts and all cases have been dismissed.

There was a payment made by the insurance company and a plan has been submitted for the shed.

X. **COUNCIL COMMENTS**

Cllr Jones- Thanked everyone for welcoming her back to the council. The 1890's festival is rapidly approaching. They are booked with a waiting list. Posters are available for distribution. The festival is October 12th from 8 a.m.- 4 p.m. Asked Jessi to put on next month's agenda the vision meeting. DOT will not allow the friends to put their wagons for the sign on the highway, so there will be new banners made. Asked the council for permission to put it on the wayside park property since it can't be on the ROW.

Cllr Deaderick- Provided his history of growing up in McIntosh. There is a lot of work to do at McIntosh. If we work together and stop nitpicking, we can accomplish a lot.

Cllr Mullikin- Thanked everyone and is happy to be back on the council.

Cllr Medeiros- Welcomed Scott and Melinda back. Apologized if anyone was offended earlier, when it comes to kids and education, those things are important.

There is a yellow tablet in the back for those interested in joining a balance class.

XI. **CITIZEN COMMENT**

Holger Giese- The boil water notice was not posted on the website, but there was a link on how to boil water. Wants to encourage the new city council to push the website so it has news that should be there.

Mary Ann Kelly- The town shares an AC unit with the school. Mini splits can be put in the town hall to separate them.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:56 p.m.