

The Regular meeting of the McGill Town Council was held on April 16, 2013 at the McGill Community/Senior Center located at the top of Avenue K at 7:00 P.M.

The following Council Members were in attendance:

Bob Winder, Chairman  
Mike Borovansky, Member  
Ed Dubrutz, Member  
Sheri Mishler, Member

Absent Council Member:

Roxane Ballandby, Vice-Chairperson

Also in attendance:

Delores Manchester, Secretary/Town Clerk  
Stacy Laird, Business Rep & McGill Revitalization Ass.  
Holly Augare, McGill Community Activities Committee  
Dustin Augare, McGill Volunteer Fire Dept.  
Dennis “Woody” Robinson, McGill Park Mgr.  
Gracyne Backus  
Cynthia Angelopoulos, McGill Revitalization Ass.  
Nathaniel Robertson, Day Engineering  
Doug Thornburg, Park Applicant  
Jonathan Pay, Park Applicant  
Joseph R. Stark, Park Applicant  
Brenda McConaha, Park Applicant/Girl Scout  
Kristal Isaacs, Park Applicant  
Bo Gleave, Park Applicant  
Deputy Sheriff Steve Marques

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Council Chairman Winder called the meeting to order at 7:00 P.M.

PUBLIC COMMENT:

Brenda McConaha addressed the Council explaining that she is working on a benefit fund raiser to collect donations for a baby who is ill. She will post flyers around town.

The Secretary reported that she received an e-mail from Elizabeth Francis regarding budget cuts that will be necessary so she may submit a balanced budget to the State of Nevada. Revenues ended up being \$97,162 and McGill budgeted \$127,420 in proposed expenditures for fiscal year

2014. The Council will need to cut \$30,258. McGill still has a fund balance of \$184,000 so the Council can augment funds if they need to finance a project.

The Council directed the secretary to schedule a special McGill Town Council meeting for April 23, 2013 at 6:30 P.M.

County Commission Liaison, Mike Coster, addressed the Council explaining that he has been working on an ordinance allowing persons to drive their off highway vehicles (ATVs) on streets within the unincorporated towns. NRS 490 allows for registrations of OHVs by July 1<sup>st</sup> but it also allows for counties to adopt ordinances, as well.

It was noted that McGill had previously adopted rules and regulations allowing people to drive their 4-wheelers on certain streets in town so they could get their vehicle outside town to ride. Both times McGill worked on this, the Sheriff (Bernie Romero at the time) noted that so many people residing along the ATV route had complained so many times, that they asked to discontinue the activity.

The Council directed their secretary to place this matter on the next agenda for further discussion.

County Commission Liaison Coster reported that the Board of County Commissioners made a 10% cut to the wages at the McGill Swimming Pool. This reduces their budget down below last year's budget and could reduce the operational hours. This is one of the few recreational facilities in White Pine County and he feels it needs to be funded so they can operate. He understands there is a need for a lifeguard for every 25 persons in the water, if one more person steps in, then the back up lifeguard is called on duty. There are a lot of state regulations governing operations of swimming pools. He feels the McGill Swimming Pool is being singled out and he would hope the Town Council would support the restoration of McGill Pool budget to the 2013 level.

Council Member Mishler pointed out that the McGill Swimming Pool is only open 3 months. Their gate fees and snack shack do not cover all the expenses, but if they raise the gate fees, many children may not be able to afford to swim. Also, McGill is one of the few remaining outdoor swimming pools in the country and if this pool should close the gates, it will never be allowed to open again.

The secretary noted that she was advised of this budget cut so she took it upon herself to prepare correspondence soliciting donations to help operate the McGill Swimming Pool. Donations received would go into the Swimming Pool budget and, hopefully, offset the deficit.

The Council directed the secretary to prepare correspondence to the Board of County Commissioners supporting the restoration of the McGill Swimming Pool budget to the level it

was during the 2013 budget year. Also inform them that McGill Town Council will solicit donations to help fund the budget cuts.

REPORT ON SNPLMA GRANT PROJECTS:

Nathaniel Robertson, Day Engineering, addressed the Council explaining that they had received an extension for the grant work to be accomplished at the McGill Swimming Pool. The weather had not cooperated with the work on this grant. They are anticipating that the SNPLMA grant work will be completed in time for the Memorial Day opening of the pool. They had hoped to be able to pour a cement slab under the picnic tables, but because of the Davis Bacon wage rate, the contractor could not accomplish that work at a reasonable price. He understands that the County Maintenance will pour cement slabs under the picnic tables. The transformers have been removed from the Ball Park, so that project is progressing well.

REQUEST PERMISSION TO USE MCGILL PARKS FOR TENT REVIVAL:

Gracyne Backus addressed the Council explaining that she would like to hold a tent revival at the Center Park again this year. The tent revival is scheduled to be held on July 21 through July 27. They will provide the portable potties and they will bring in the County stadium. There will be several churches that will take part in the tent revival. She is seeking permission from the McGill Town Council to hold the tent revival again this year.

Council Member Mishler motioned to allow permission to use Center Park for a tent revival from July 21 through July 17.

Council Member Dubrutz seconded the motion.

Motion was carried by a unanimous vote of the quorum present.

REQUEST TO RENT MCGILL SENIOR/COMMUNITY CENTER TO HOLD A CARRY/ CONCEALED WEAPONS CLASS ON MAY 18, 2013:

County Commission Liaison Coster informed the Council that he is here representing Kent LeBarts. He would like to rent the McGill Senior/Community Center to hold a carry concealed weapons class on May 18. The class will be all day and he will use the kitchen area as well. He checked with the secretary and she placed this matter on the calendar. The instructor will hold classes on Saturday, May 18; then the following day they will assemble at the County Shooting Range for the final phase of the class. Mr. LeBarts is a certified trainer.

Council Member Borovansky motioned to authorize Kent LeBarts the use of the McGill Senior/Community Center to hold a weapons class on May 18, 2013. Fee is \$100 for the entire day.

Council Member Mishler seconded the motion.

Motion was carried by a unanimous vote of the quorum present.

PURCHASE AN ICE MACHINE TO BE PLACED IN THE MCGILL SENIOR/COMMUNITY CENTER:

Council Member Mishler explained that the Council had purchased an ice machine for the emergency services several years ago, but there are so many activities going on that she would like to see another ice machine placed at the McGill Senior/Community Center.

Council Chairman Winder explained that, in his job capacity, he services ice machines. If they are not on a regular maintenance schedule where the filters are changed, they will not last as long. That other ice machine is 13 years old and he also feels there is a need to have an ice machine located at the Senior/Community Center.

The Council instructed the secretary to obtain cost estimates and place this matter on the next agenda.

INTERVIEWS FOR THE POSITION OF PART TIME SEASONAL GROUNDS KEEPER:

*Doug Thornburg*

*Jonatha Pay*

*Joseph R. Stark*

*Brenda McConaha*

*Kristal Isaacs*

*Bo Gleave*

Brenda McConaha announced that she has already obtained another job, so she is withdrawing her application for the parks assistant position.

The Council asked all applicants to wait outside while each applicant was interviewed. Each applicant was interviewed individually.

SELECTION OF PART TIME SEASONAL GRUNDS KEEPER:

Upon completion of the interviews all applicants were assembled in the meeting chambers.

Council Member Mishler noted that she personally knows all the applicants, so she would like to abstain from voting on the selection.

Council Member Dubrutz motioned to select Doug Thornburg as the seasonal grounds keeper.

Council Member Borovansky seconded the motion.

Motion was carried by a majority vote of the quorum present.

STATUS REPORT ON JOB DESCRIPTION FOR PART TIME JANITORIAL EMPLOYEE:

The secretary provided the Council with a draft job description of the part time janitorial position that will be hired in July to work 10 hours per month cleaning the Senior/Community Center. Explaining to the audience that the Senior/Community Center is being utilized by many organizations and groups, some people have a better idea of clean, and some do not. Most of the cleaning of the Center is being done by a select few. The Council directed her to prepare a draft, but she would like to note that the laws have changed since she was in human resources, so she has provided a copy of the WPC HR Director for her review and suggestions.

APPROVAL OF MINTUES:

Council Member Mishler motioned to approve the McGill Town Council minutes dated March 19, 2013.

Council Member Borovansky seconded the motion.

Council Member Borovansky abstained from voting due to being absent from that meeting.

Motion was carried by a majority vote of the quorum present.

CORRESPONDENCE:

Correspondence mailed or received since the previous meeting was listed as follows:

1. Letter from WPC District Attorney regarding Labor Day fireworks display.
2. Deposit of funds in the amount of \$33.
3. Letter/purchase order for US Flag, Nevada Flag, and McGill Flag.
4. Letter to WPC Sheriff regarding animal at large.
5. Letter to Woody Robinson requesting he submit to pre employment drug test.
6. Memo to WPC Maintenance regarding leaking roof at Kinnear Library.
7. Memo from WPC Maintenance regarding heating system repairs at Center.
8. Deposit of funds in the amount of \$33 from Cultural Center/Library.
9. Memo requesting transfer of funds.
10. Memo to WPC HR Director with Personnel Action forms attached.
11. Letters to Bo Gleave, Kristal Isaacs, Brenda McConaha, Joseph R. Stark, Jonathan Pay, and Doug Thornburg.
12. Letters of non qualifications sent to Derek Thomas and Buddy Richardson.
13. Memo to each Council Member regarding interview process.
14. Tally Sheet for interview process.
15. Letter sent to Ian & Elizabeth Bulloch welcoming their business to the community.

16. E-mail from Commissioner Coster regarding Swimming Pool Funding.
17. E-mail from WPC Finance Director requesting McGill budget be reviewed and budget cuts to be made.
18. McGill-Ruth Water Agenda.

Council Member Dubrutz referred to the correspondence from the District Attorney about the Labor Day fireworks display. He would ask if all the necessary permits have been in place.

Holly Augare explained that they always employ Lane Hendrix to stage the firework display. He is a licensed technician and he obtains all the necessary permits.

APPROVAL OF BILLS:

The following bills were read into the record:

IonoWeb	\$1,099.00
(web page set up second installment)	
Linnell Electric	395.00
(street light repairs)	
OPI	29.99
(monthly copy machine contract)	
The Flag Co.	170.00
(Flag set up costs)	

Council Member Dubrutz motioned to approve the bills as read.

Council Member Mishler seconded the motion.

Motion was carried by a unanimous vote of the quorum present.

NUISANCE ABATEMENTS:

No report given.

ANIMALS AT LARGE/VICIOUS DOGS:

No report given.

PARK MAINTENANCE:

Council Member Borovansky reported that the Parks Manager has purchased the fertilizer and will begin fertilizing.

Brenda McConaha asked if the Council has selected a better location for the Girl Scout garden.

Council Member Mishler recalled the previous discussion about placing the garden south of the Ball Park but there is not any water supply there. Then it was suggested to place the garden on the hill below the Ball Park, but that would have to be terraced, and that would not make it cost effective. If the garden is placed in someone's back yard, there would be liability issues.

Brenda McConaha noted that, as the Girl Scout leader, she could place it on her property.

#### FINANCIAL REPORT:

The secretary noted that McGill is 75% into their budget year with 59% of the revenues coming in. McGill is currently 70% spent and because of park payroll their 2 most expensive months are coming up.

#### EMT ASSOCIATION:

No report given.

#### STREET LIGHTS:

Council Chairman Winder reported that Linnell Electric repaired 4 of the 5 lights reported. It was noted that the 5<sup>th</sup> light did not have electricity to it. He will investigate this matter to see if the work Mt. Wheeler Power has been upgrading in McGill. It is possible they did not connect that light.

#### STREETS & STREET SIGNS:

Council Member Dubrutz reported that the Road Department has placed all of McGill's requests on their work schedule, but he is not sure where McGill falls on that list, but he is sure they will work on the projects as time permits.

#### FIRE DEPARTMENT:

Dustin Augare addressed the Council explaining that the McGill Volunteer Fire Department has been receiving training and they will begin their vehicle extraction sessions.

#### NEIGHBORHOOD WATCH PROGRAM:

Council Member Borovansky reported that the Neighborhood Watch program held their regular meeting with 12 persons in attendance. They are still picking up some new members. Deputy Alan Pederson was in attendance and he gave an off road vehicle registration presentation. He has provided copies of the applications and they are available at the Senior/Community Center.

Also, if anyone wishes to have their off road vehicle registered, they can contact the Sheriff's Office and they will conduct an inspection.

CULTURAL CENTER REPORT:

No report given.

McGILL REVITALIZATION COMMITTEE:

Stacy Laird, McGill Revitalization Association, explained that they are waiting for their non profit paperwork. As soon as they obtain them, they will provide a copy of the Council office.

YOUTH/COMMUNITY ACTIVITIES:

It was reported that the Easter festivities went very well.

Holly Augare explained that they had received donations and the Easter expenses were not nearly as high as first anticipated. They have \$75 they would like to return to the Town Council coffers.

BUSINESS PLAN/McGILL MERCHANTS REPORTS:

It was noted that McGill may have a Gun Repair Shop opening in the future.

PUBLIC COMMENT:

Deputy Sheriff Steve Marques arrived for the meeting because he saw the cars and lights on in the building, he asked if there were any concerns from the McGill residents.

Cynthia Angelopoulos asked if there was something the Sheriff's Office could do about the speeding trucks going through town. They do not slow down through the school zone, not do they slow down through town.

Deputy Sheriff Marques assured the Council that he will bring this matter up. He will see if they can have the speed monitor brought back to McGill.

MEETING ADJOURNED:

There being no further business or comments to be brought before the McGill Town Council, the meeting adjourned at 9:11 P.M.